



MOVE

What's So Amazing About Grace?

MAIN THING

Rules and Religion are everywhere; Grace is only found through Christ

SCRIPTURE

Romans 3:25, 1 John 4:16, 1 John 1:5, Romans 5:19, Jude 4, Romans 2:4, 1 Peter 2:21-24, 2 Corinthians 12:9, Romans 3:23-24

ICEBREAKER

What's the best decade of music and why?

OPENING THOUGHT

Grace is God's solution to the ultimate problem of the universe- How To Deal Rightly With Wrongs Committed. Grace is the perfect intersection between love and justice. God is love and God is Holy, and grace allows Him to maintain justice while showing love to His creation. Grace isn't cheap, grace isn't fair, grace is sufficient, and grace is why we worship. Grace is also unique to Christianity- it exists in no other belief system. People who say, "All religions say the same thing" don't know anything about grace.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What was one thing that stood out to you from this weekend's message?
2. Why do you think it is so easy for people to abuse grace and to see it as cheap? Is that a temptation for you?
3. In the sermon, Dave told the story of him being a kid and saying to his mom, "I'm taking this to the Supreme Court" and his mom telling him he wasn't allowed in front of the Supreme Court without an invitation. Does the understanding that only through grace are we "invited" into God's presence- through prayer and worship and fellowship- change anything about how you view these things?

LIFE APPLICATION

Many people think that grace simply means that they don't experience the consequences of their sins- that somehow God just makes it all go away. Not true. Grace means that God Himself, in the person of His Son Jesus Christ, pays what you yourself would have to pay. What is one thing that you learned about grace this weekend that you previously did not know or previously had not considered?

CHALLENGE

What's one thing that will change about you forever after this week?