

1 Timothy
The Challenge of Being the Church
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As a follower of Christ I can be a s s u r e d that God's grace:

- is greater than my s i n and greater than my p a s t (1:12-14)

√ So, w h e r e am I l i v i n g?

- demonstrates over and over His u n l i m i t e d p a t i e n c e
(1:15-17; Matthew 9:13; Luke 5:32; 19:10; John 3:17)

√ So, w h a t is my a t t i t u d e? (1 John 1:9)

- should m o t i v a t e me to p e r s e v e r e in my faith
(1:18-20)

√ So, w h a t does my life r e v e a l?

Taking it in....

Write out, in your own words, a definition of "grace". What made you describe it in the way you did? _____

How do you understand the way grace affected Paul in his life and service to the Lord? What insights can you gain from that question from these nine verses today (vs 12-20)? _____

After today, have you gained any new insights into God's grace in your own life? Have you taken God's grace for granted in your life? In what way(s)? What are some examples of His grace being evident in your life in the past? Recently? Explain.

When is the last time you have *really praised* God for His grace in your life? Could thinking on that before coming to service on Sunday have any effect on how you approach God in singing to Him? In taking the Lord's table? In being ready to receive His word? In serving others while here? Discuss. _____
