

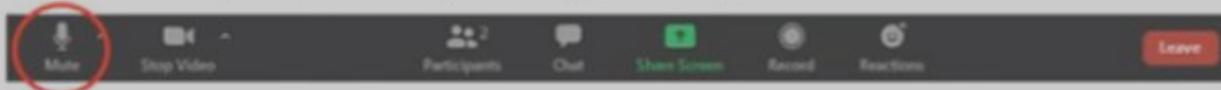
Grabbing Hold of Grace Amid the Grind

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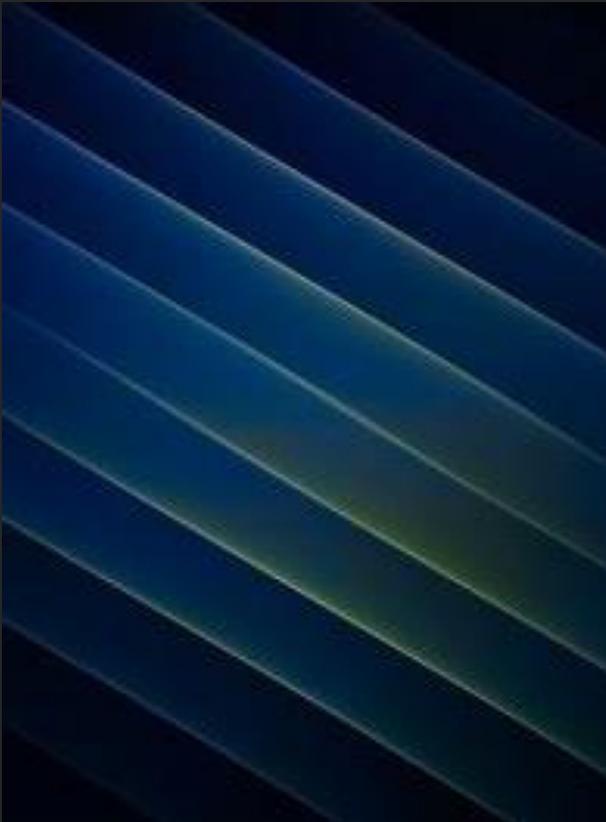
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Ministry Characteristics



Authenticity – live it first

Vulnerability – share it

Practicality – apply it

When you
hear the word
“grace,” what
comes to
mind?

Classic hymn
“Amazing
Grace”

Praying before
a meal

Saved by grace

Unmerited
favor

God’s power

GRACE

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What is grace?

Unmerited favor

- Getting what you don't deserve
- Mercy – not getting what you do deserve

Ephesians 2: 8-9 KJV

- “For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.”

What is Christianity's Unique Contribution Among World Religions?

- “Oh, that’s easy. It’s grace”
 - C.S. Lewis



Break Out Group
Discussion Question:

What's So Amazing
about Grace from
YOUR life?

A M A Z I N G
grace



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God's power

- **“Grace is God's power made available to us, free of charge, enabling us to do with ease what we could never do on our own with any amount of struggle or effort.”**
 - Joyce Meyer
- I Cor. 15: 10

Grace is Not Just for Salvation

- Ephesians 2: 8- 9 KJV For by **grace are ye saved through faith**; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.
- **The same way we get saved is the way we walk out the Christian life**
 - Grace through faith
 - I Corinthians 15: 10
- Paul had strong words for the Galatians in Chapter 3:3 AMPCE:
 - “Are you so foolish *and* so senseless *and* so silly? Having begun [your new life spiritually] with the [Holy] Spirit, are you now reaching perfection [by dependence] on the flesh?”

We are not just saved by grace, but sustained by grace

Are you living your daily life by your own strength or according to God's
power?

How much of God's power do you want?

How Do You Get the Maximum Amount of Grace?

- II Cor. 12:7 AMPCE And to keep me from being puffed up *and* too much elated by the exceeding greatness (preeminence) of these revelations, there was given me a thorn (^[a]a splinter) in the flesh, a messenger of Satan, to rack *and* buffet *and* harass me, to keep me from being excessively exalted.
- ⁸ Three times I called upon the Lord *and* besought [Him] about this *and* begged that it might depart from me;
- ⁹ But He said to me, My grace (My favor and loving-kindness and mercy) is enough for you

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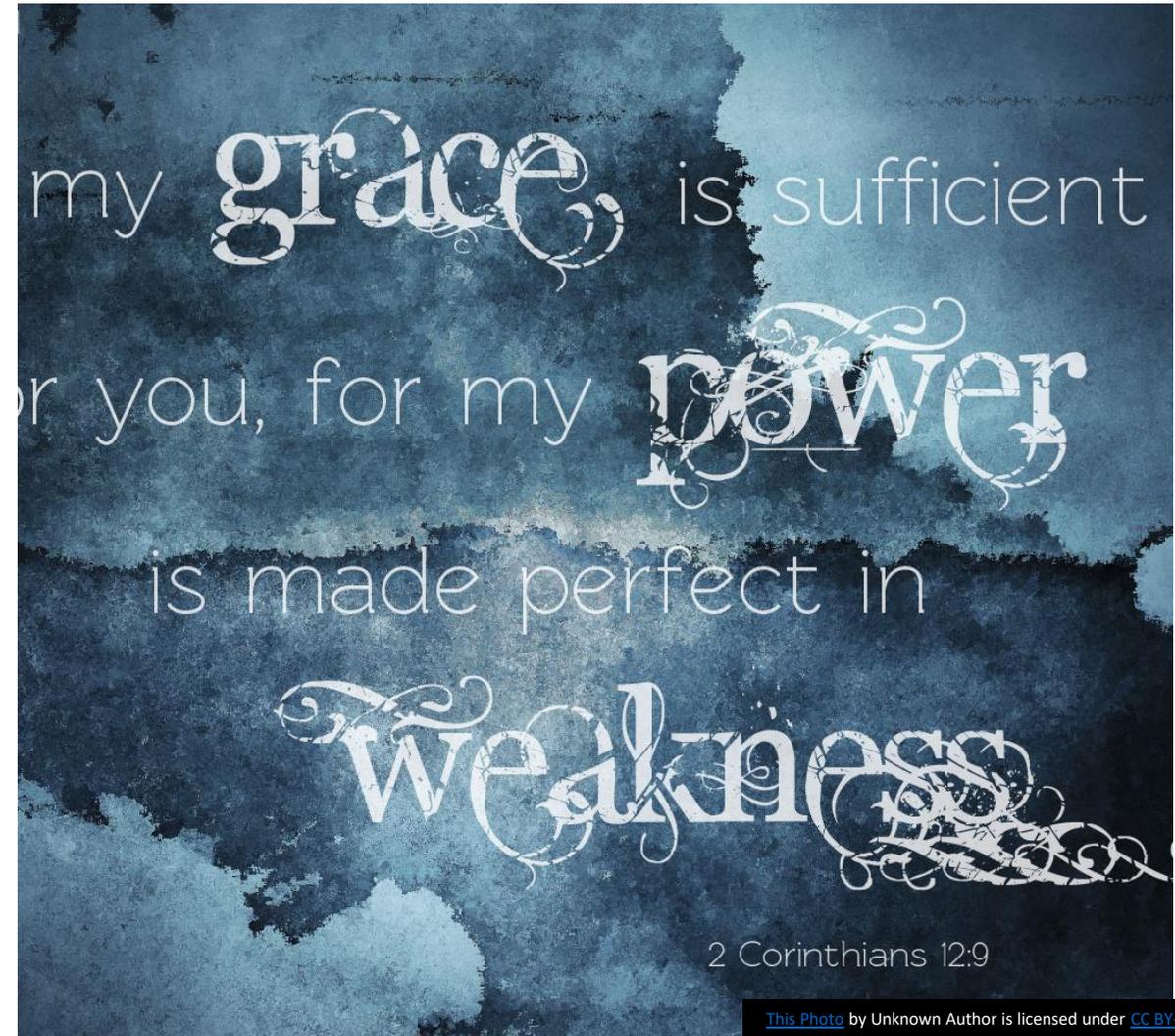
- II Cor. 12:9 AMPCE But He said to me, My grace (My favor and loving-kindness and mercy) is enough for you [sufficient against any danger and enables you to bear the trouble manfully]; for *My* strength *and* power are made perfect (fulfilled and completed) *and* [b] *show themselves most effective* in [your] weakness. Therefore, I will all the more gladly glory in my weaknesses *and* infirmities, that the strength *and* power of Christ (the Messiah) may rest (yes, may [c] pitch a tent over and dwell) upon me!
- ¹⁰ So for the sake of Christ, I am well pleased *and* take pleasure in infirmities, insults, hardships, persecutions, perplexities *and* distresses; for when I am weak [d] in human strength], then am I [truly] strong (able, powerful [e] in divine strength).

When Is Grace Most
Abundant?

In weakness.

In trouble.

When life is just plain
hard.





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Grace is Available, but How do we
Access it? |

By Faith

Believe It

God is the God of ALL grace (I Peter 5: 10)

Hebrews 4: 15 AMPC For we do not have a High Priest Who is unable to understand *and* sympathize *and* have a shared feeling with our weaknesses *and* infirmities *and* liability to the assaults of temptation, but One Who has been tempted in every respect as we are, yet without sinning.

¹⁶ Let us then fearlessly *and* confidently *and* boldly draw near to the **throne of grace** (the throne of God's unmerited favor to us sinners), that we may receive mercy [for our failures] and find grace to help **in good time for every need [appropriate help and well-timed help, coming just when we need it].**

Grace is Enough

II Cor. 12:9 AMPCE But He said to me, My grace (My favor and loving-kindness and mercy) is enough for you [sufficient against any danger and enables you to bear the trouble manfully];

Receive it:

“Gracing”
the areas of
our greatest
struggle

“Jesus, I receive your grace today to overcome the difficult circumstance of _____.”

“Jesus, I receive your grace today to accomplish the dreaded task of _____.”

“Jesus, I receive your grace today to overcome _____ bad habit.”

“Jesus, I receive your grace today to live in a world where everything that can be shaken is being shaken.”

Appropriate
It

Zechariah 4: 6 AMPCE The word of the Lord to Zerubbabel, saying, **Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit [of Whom the oil is a symbol], says the Lord of hosts.**

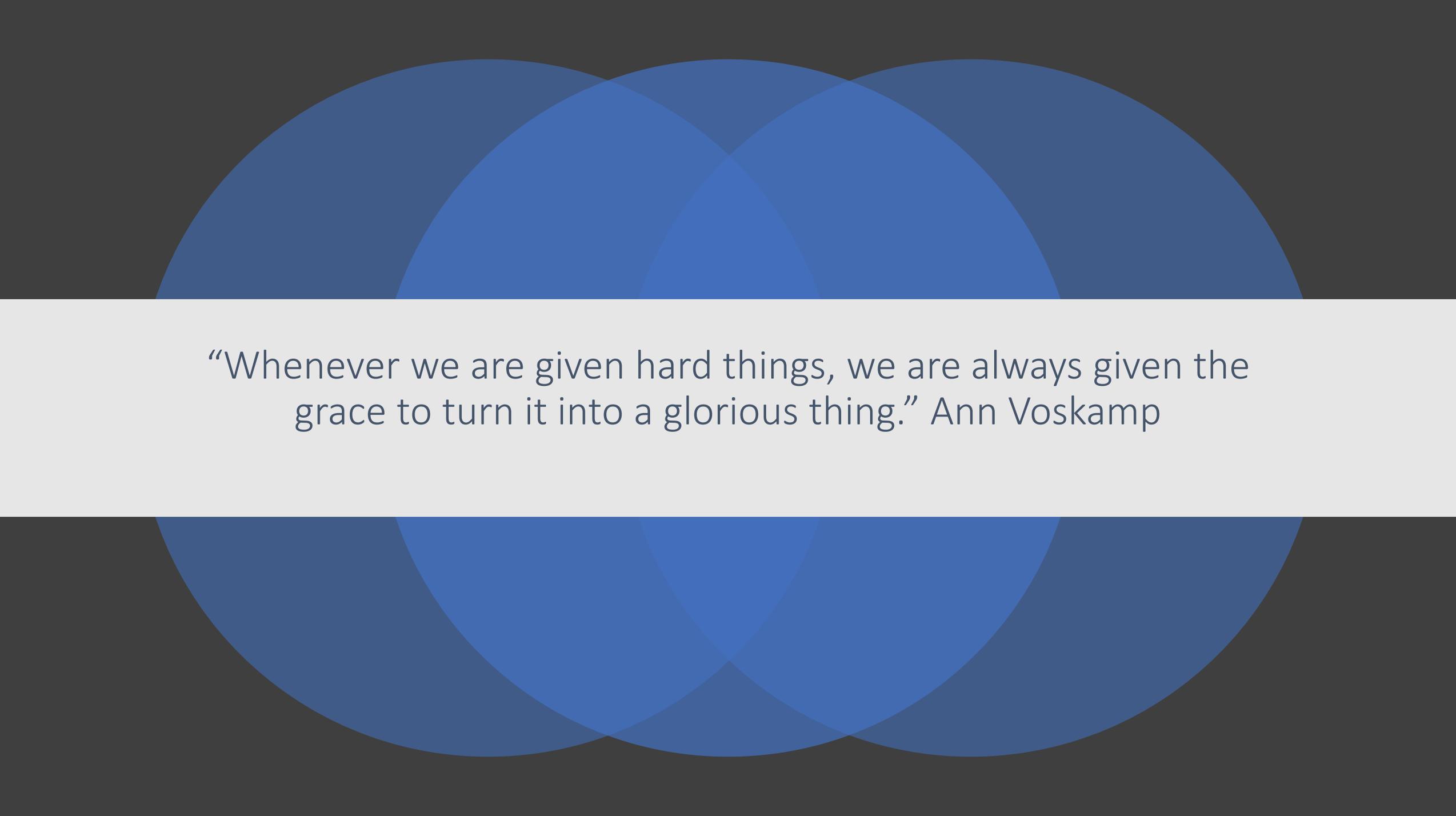
⁷ For who are you, O great mountain [of human obstacles]? Before Zerubbabel you shall become a plain [a mere ^[a]molehill]! And he shall bring forth the finishing gable stone [of the new temple] with loud shoutings of the people, crying, Grace, grace to it!

Amid the daily grind, grab hold of the lifeline of grace to transform mountains into molehills!

Break Out Group
Discussion Question:

In what area of your
life do you need to
believe, receive, and
appropriate God's
grace?

A M A Z I N G
grace



“Whenever we are given hard things, we are always given the grace to turn it into a glorious thing.” Ann Voskamp

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