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Had Enough Yet? – Shout Out the Grace!

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Introduction Summary

Have you had all you can take? In two lessons, we will learn that we can lean on God's grace in the middle of temptations, tests, trials, distresses and weaknesses. When we turn to God and shout out the grace, the only outcome is victory!

- I. Had Enough Yet?
 - A. Paul suffered many things without complaining (2 Cor. 11:24-33).
 - 1. He was stripped, beaten, and stoned (Acts 14:19; 16:22-23).
 - 2. He was shipwrecked (Acts 27:14).
 - 3. The care of the churches was daily upon him.
 - 4. I am not weak or offended (Gk.: skandalizo), enticed to sin (1 Cor. 11:29)!
 - B. Finally, when Paul had had enough, God's grace was sufficient (1 Cor. 12:1-9)!
 - C. What is grace (Gk.: charis)?
 - 1. Grace does not mean you can do what you want without consequences.
 - 2. Grace is not mercy. Mercy (Gk.: el-ehos) means compassion (Heb. 4:16).
 - a. One meaning of grace is help when you need it.
 - b. A New Testament name of God is "the Spirit of Grace (Heb. 10:29)."
 - D. The Scripture is called the word of grace (Acts 20:32).
 - E. Apostle of Gentiles through the anointing (Eph. 3:6-8).
 - 1. Made means manufacture.
 - 2. Grace *empowered* Paul to do something.
 - 3. Grace sent Paul, a strict and eloquent man, to minister to the Gentiles.
 - 4. God takes what you cannot do and make it work
 - 5. Grace does not license you to sin (Rom. 6:1, 3:5-8).
 - F. Jesus is full (covered over) of grace (John 1:14; 17:17; Mat. 3:16; Acts 10:38).
 - G. Save (Gk. sozo) means deliver, protect, heal, preserve/keep, whole (Eph. 2:4-8).
 - H. How were you saved? Grace gets you to faith: trust in God (2 Cor. 5:17).
 - 1. Faith has 5 elements: hear, receive, believe, speak, and act.
 - 2. Act means sing, dance, quietness, worship, praise (2 Chr. 20:18-22).
 - 3. Jehoshaphat led the people to worship and praise the Lord (2 Chr. 20:18-19).
 - 4. Praise (Heb.: halal) means act clamorously foolish.
 - I. Actions can be giving and shouting before you see the victory!!
 - J. When you have had enough lean on the grace (2 Cor. 12:9,10).

- 1. Grace sees you through every trial (2 Cor. 9:6-7).
- 2. Giving releases grace in every part of your life 2 Cor. 9:8).

Closing Summary: When you've had enough, lean on God's grace by faith.

II. Shout Out the Grace

- A. Zec. 1:1-5:4: The Old Testament is for warning and learning (1 Cor. 10:11).
 - 1. Zechariah covers everything from that time to Armageddon.
 - 2. Zec. 1:1-2: God's desire is that they return to Him so He could turn to them.
 - 3. Zec. 1:5-6: They didn't hear God, but eventually turned.
 - 4. Zec. 1:8-14: Zion is both Jews and those that belong to Christ (Gal. 3:29).
 - a. Jerusalem: Pray for the peace of Jerusalem for it is God's holy city.
 - b. Whoever attempts to divide Jerusalem will have trouble.
- B. Zec. 1:15-21: The heathen went too far.
 - 1. Prosperity returns to Israel because they turned to God.
 - 2. The 4 horns represent those who discomfited the people of Israel.
 - 3. The 4 carpenters (builders) are those who would cast out "the 4 horns."
- C. Zec. 2:4-9: God promises to protect Israel from the inside and outside.
 - 1. But they had to leave the place where the heathen were.
 - 2. When we fail, we always have mercy extended to us when we turn to Him.
- D. Zec. 2:10-13: Singing and rejoicing is acting on your faith.
- E. Zec. 3:1-2: He showed me Joshua, the high priest of Israel.
 - 1. Today, spiritual leadership is the five-fold ministry gifts.
 - 2. They were delivered, because they turned to God.
- F. Zec. 3:3-9: The BRANCH is Jesus, Himself.
 - 1. God doesn't need a long time; He can turn things around in ONE DAY!
 - 2. If you repent, God can make all things right with you in ONE DAY!
- G. Zec. 4:6-7: Zerubbabel is the civic leadership of Jerusalem.
 - 1. It's not by your armies or your ability, it's by God's Spirit!
 - 2. God is knocking down the mountain by shouting grace to it.
- H. Cry out grace to the mountain that is in front of you!
 - 1. The grace of God is on me, surrounds me and it knocks mountains flat.
 - 2. Say to the mountain, the grace of God is on me (Mark 11:23-24).
 - 3. You have grace for any circumstance.
 - 4. It just takes one day for the people of God to influence politicians.
- I. Zec. 5:1: Sweareth means swearing allegiance to anything other than God.
 - 1. The curse will abound upon those who lead people away from God
 - 2. Ministers that lead people away from God and His way will have the curse.
 - 3. To those that attack God's people the curse will abound.
 - 4. But the people of God will be blessed, prosper.

Closing Summary:

When it seems as though the devil is attacking you on every side, shout out the grace! For when you to God and His ways, your final outcome is abundant blessing!