**Finding Grace**

**Partakers of Grace in a Worthy Manner**

**1 Corinthians 11:26 -** *For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.*

**Matthew 16:18 -** *I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church; and the gates of Hades will not overpower it.*

**Hebrews 4:16 -** *Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.*

**Philippians 1:3-7 -** *I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always offering prayer with joy in my every prayer for you all, in view of your participation in the gospel from the first day until now. For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus. For it is only right for me to feel this way about you all, because I have you in my heart, since both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel, you all are partakers of grace with me.*

**Philippians 1:21 -** *For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.*

C.S. Lewis – “If you read history you will find that the Christians who did most for the present world were precisely those who thought most of the next. It is because Christians have largely ceased to think of the other world that they have become so ineffective in this.”

**I. A Careful Walk**

**Philippians 1:27 -** *Only conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ…*

**Ephesians 2:8-9 -** *For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.*

**Ephesians 2:10 -** *For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.*

**Ephesians 4:1 -** *Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called…*

**Colossians 1:10 -** *so that you will walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God…*

**1 Thessalonians 2:12 -** *so that you would walk in a manner worthy of the God who calls you into His own kingdom and glory.*

**II. A Firm Stand**

**Philippians 1:27 -** *Only conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or remain absent, I will hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit…*

**Daniel 3:14-18 -** *Nebuchadnezzar responded and said to them, “Is it true, Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-nego, that you do not serve my gods or worship the golden image that I have set up? Now if you are ready, at the moment you hear the sound of the horn, flute, lyre, trigon, psaltery and bagpipe and all kinds of music, to fall down and worship the image that I have made, very well. But if you do not worship, you will immediately be cast into the midst of a furnace of blazing fire; and what god is there who can deliver you out of my hands?” Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-nego replied to the king, “O Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to give you an answer concerning this matter. If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the furnace of blazing fire; and He will deliver us out of your hand, O king. But even if He does not, let it be known to you, O king, that we are not going to serve your gods or worship the golden image that you have set up.”*

**III. A Unified Service**

**Philippians 1:27 -** *Only conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or remain absent, I will hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel…*