Keep On Living In Grace!

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Keep On Keepin' On! Pt.2

Psalm 86:15, *But You, Lord, are a compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness.*

Isaiah 30:18, *Yet the LORD longs to be gracious to you; therefore He will rise up to show you compassion.*

- <u>UNCONDITIONAL</u> **Romans 11:6**, And if by grace, then it cannot be based on works; if it were, grace would no longer be grace.
- UNLIMITED

Titus 2:11, For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people.

<u>UNENDING</u>

2 Thessalonians 2:16, *May our Lord Jesus Christ Himself and God our Father, Who loved us and by His grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope...*

How Do I Keep On Living In God's Grace?

1. Go Back To The <u>BASICS</u>

Hebrews 5:11, We have much to say about this, but it is hard to make it clear to you because you no longer try to understand. 12 In fact, though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you the elementary truths of God's Word all over again. You need milk, not solid food! 13 Anyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness. 14 But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil.

1 Corinthians 3:1, Brothers and sisters, I could not address you as people who live by the Spirit but as people who are still worldly—mere

infants in Christ.

1 Peter 2:2, *Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, 3 now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.*

2. Pressing On To <u>MATURITY</u>

Hebrews 6:1,* Therefore let us move beyond the elementary teachings about Christ and be taken forward to maturity, not laying again the foundation of repentance from acts that lead to death, and of faith in God, 2 instruction about cleansing rites, the laying on of hands, the resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment. 3 And God permitting, we will do so.*

Matthew 7:24, "Therefore everyone who hears these words of Mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. 25 The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock.

3. Watch Out For The TROUBLE SPOTS

Hebrews 6:4, *It is impossible for those who have once been enlightened, who have tasted the heavenly gift, who have shared in the Holy Spirit, 5 who have tasted the goodness of the Word of God and the powers of the coming age 6 and who have fallen away, to be brought back to repentance. To their loss they are crucifying the Son of God all over again and subjecting Him to public disgrace. 7 Land that drinks in the rain often falling on it and that produces a crop useful to those for whom it is farmed receives the blessing of God. 8 But land that produces thorns and thistles is worthless and is in danger of being cursed. In the end it will be burned.*

Matthew 13:18, "Listen then to what the parable of the sower means: 19 When anyone hears the message about the Kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what was sown in their heart. This is the seed sown along the path. 20 The seed falling on rocky ground refers to someone who hears the Word and at once receives it with joy. 21 But since they have no root, they last only a short time. When trouble or persecution comes because of the Word, they quickly fall away. 22 The seed falling among the thorns refers to someone who hears the Word, but the worries of this life and the deceitfulness of wealth choke the Word, making it unfruitful. 23 But the seed falling on good soil refers to someone who hears the Word and understands it. This is the one who produces a crop, yielding a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown."

4. Persevere In Hope For <u>BETTER THINGS</u>

Hebrews 6:9, Even though we speak like this, dear friends, we are convinced of better things in your case—the things that have to do with salvation. 10 God is not unjust; He will not forget your work and the love you have shown Him as you have helped His people and continue to help them. 11 We want each of you to show this same diligence to the very end, so that what you hope for may be fully realized. 12 We do not want you to become lazy, but to imitate those who through faith and patience inherit what has been promised.

1 Corinthians 9:19, *Though I am free and belong to no one, I have made*

myself a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible. 20 To the Jews I became like a Jew, to win the Jews. To those under the law I became like one under the law (though I myself am not under the law), so as to win those under the law. 21 To those not having the law I became like one not having the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law), so as to win those not having the law. 22 To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some. 23 I do all this for the sake of the Gospel, that I may share in Its blessings.