

Message: Graced Multiple At Antioch (Acts 11:19-30)

Point 1: The disciples received much grace (Acts 4:33 “much grace rested on them all.”)

Application:

Questions:

1. Am I pursuing the Lord like the early disciples did? (Acts 2:42-43) Is Jesus still my first love or am I half-hearted?
2. Am I pursuing Jesus and believers in the church when I am going through hardships? For those who are pursuing him, there is a promise, “My grace is sufficient for you. My power is made perfect in your weakness.” **(2 Cor 12:9)**

Actions:

1. Devote yourself to growing in a spiritual practice (examples prayer, fellowship, house group, bible study, etc.)
Or
2. Share a hardship with a fellow Christian. Prayer with them about it.

Point 2: Grace Shared and Rejoiced in (Acts 11:23)

Application:

Questions:

1. When you look at Redeeming Grace Church are you more aware of the problems or are you more aware of evidences of God’s grace at work?
2. Do you see, rejoice in, and encourage grace in others?

Application:

1. Pray to God for help in seeing more grace around you, look for it, and then seek ways to encourage grace around you.

Point 3: My Third Point was Grace Comes From Clings to Jesus. (Acts 11:23)

“Barnabas exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose.”

Question:

- 1) Are you still clinging or cleaving or abiding in to the Lord when things are going well?
- 2) Are you clinging to the Lord with both arms and legs in your hardship?

Application (chose one):

- 1) Share your hardship with another believer and ask for prayer.
- 2) Determine at least one way that you can practically “clinging to the Lord more.” Example – Corporate - Prayer with someone in the church once a week. Private - Read the Bible 15 minutes at night before going to bed.

Point 4: God gives grace gifts to the Church in the form of men and women. the Church (Acts 11:19-30)

- Ephesians 4:11, it says, “And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds, and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry.”
- Ephesians 4:15-16 says teaches that “each part” or each member needs has a role to play in body to growing and being built up.”
- In 1 Cor. 14: 4, it says that to each (to believer) is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.
- “And whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward.” **Mt. 10:42.** It doesn’t matter how little the act, God notes.

Application

Question:

1. Do you believe that God wants you to be a grace gift to this church?

Action:

1. Pray and look for ways to be involved in Church, and step out in faith. Next, get involved.
2. Look for ways to be a blessing to someone around you. Start doing it.