

## Jesus = Grace

### **A pastor's final thoughts:**

Hebrews 13:17-19, Psalm 119, 2 Timothy 3:14-17

- ✓ Make a commitment to **LEARN GOD'S WORD**.
  
- ✓ Make a commitment to **APPLY IT TO OUR LIVES**.
  
- ✓ Make a commitment to **PRAY FOR OUR SPIRITUAL LEADERS**.

### **How to walk in grace:**

Hebrews 13:20-25, Acts 1:4-11, Romans 5:6-10, 7:15-8:17, 2 Timothy 1:7, Matthew 28:19-20

- ❶ We need to first know that God is a God of:

**PEACE** \_\_\_\_\_

**LOVE** \_\_\_\_\_

**POWER** \_\_\_\_\_

**CARE** \_\_\_\_\_

- ❷ Our response to this God is to live a life that **PLEASES HIM**.
  
- ❸ This life of grace can only be lived by the **SPIRIT**, not **SELF**.

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## Food for Thought for the week of August 19, 2018

(Questions and Scriptures for further study)

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This weekend we wrapped up our “Greater Than” series in Hebrews. Hebrews was written to remind us that Jesus is all we need and “greater than” anything else we think we need in order to be called his son or daughter. Below are verses that will take you on a walk back through Hebrews to review who Jesus is and what he’s done for us. As you read each verse, jot down what catches your attention about Jesus and what it means to be one of his followers.

### Hebrews 2:9 New International Version (NIV)

But we do see Jesus, who was made lower than the angels for a little while, now crowned with glory and honor because he suffered death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

### Hebrews 4:14-16 New International Version (NIV)

*Jesus the Great High Priest*

Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are - yet he did not sin. Let us then approach God’s throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

### Hebrews 5:7-10 New International Version (NIV)

During the days of Jesus’ life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with fervent cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him and was designated by God to be high priest in the order of Melchizedek.

### Hebrews 10:5-10 New International Version (NIV)

<sup>5</sup> Therefore, when Christ came into the world, he said:

“Sacrifice and offering you did not desire,  
but a body you prepared for me;

<sup>6</sup> with burnt offerings and sin offerings  
you were not pleased.

<sup>7</sup> Then I said, ‘Here I am—it is written about me in the scroll—

I have come to do your will, my God.’”<sup>[a]</sup>

<sup>8</sup> First he said, “Sacrifices and offerings, burnt offerings and sin offerings you did not desire, nor were you pleased with them”—though they were offered in accordance with the law. <sup>9</sup> Then he said, “Here I am, I have come to do your will.” He sets aside the first to establish the second. <sup>10</sup> And by that will, we have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

### Hebrews 12:1-2 New International Version (NIV)

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, <sup>2</sup> fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

**Hebrews 13:8, 12-15 New International Version (NIV)**

<sup>8</sup>Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

<sup>12</sup>And so Jesus also suffered outside the city gate to make the people holy through his own blood. <sup>13</sup>Let us, then, go to him outside the camp, bearing the disgrace he bore. <sup>14</sup>For here we do not have an enduring city, but we are looking for the city that is to come.

<sup>15</sup>Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name.

Looking back at what you wrote above, take some time to thank Jesus for what he's specifically done for you and to help you live a life that reflects his grace and love.