

Key Christian Passages: Ephesians 2:8-10

Grace for Saving and Serving

<sup>8</sup> For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; [it is] the gift of God, <sup>9</sup> not of works, lest anyone should boast. <sup>10</sup> For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

For by **grace**  
you (pl) are  
have been saved  
through **faith**,  
and that  
not **from** yourselves;  
of God the gift,  
  
not **from** works,  
in order that  
not anyone  
might boast.

Τῇ γὰρ χάριτί  
ἐστε  
σεσωσμένοι  
διὰ πίστεως·  
καὶ τοῦτο  
οὐκ ἐξ ὑμῶν,  
θεοῦ τὸ δῶρον·  
  
οὐκ ἐξ ἔργων,  
ἵνα  
μή τις  
καυχῆσθῃται.

For we are a doing of Him,  
created  
in Christ Jesus  
for good **works**,  
which prepared beforehand  
the God,  
that in them  
we should be walking.

αὐτοῦ γὰρ ἐσμεν ποίημα,  
κτισθέντες  
ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ  
ἐπὶ ἔργοις ἀγαθοῖς  
οἷς προητοίμασεν  
ὁ θεός,  
ἵνα ἐν αὐτοῖς  
περιπατήσωμεν.

1. Understand “ \_\_\_\_\_ ”

- **Saved = \_\_\_\_\_, delivered**
- **From What?:**  
1:7 In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace  
2:1 And you *He made alive*, who were dead in trespasses and sins,  
Rom 3:23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,  
2 Cor 5:21 For He made Him who knew no sin *to be* sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.
- **Passive – someone \_\_\_\_\_ rescues me (not my own effort)**
- **Perfect – rescued in the \_\_\_\_\_, with continuing results**
- **Plural – \_\_\_\_\_ of us needs to be rescued**

2. **By Grace**

- God’s undeserved \_\_\_\_\_
- To those that deserved His \_\_\_\_\_ (2:3)

3. **Through Faith (Belief)**

- We are saved when we believe...
- What God has said about Jesus (1:15; John 3:16-18; Acts 16:31)

4. **Not from \_\_\_\_\_**

- Grace, faith, the entire salvation package?
- Seems to be the last, since “that” does not match any word.

5. **A \_\_\_\_\_ of God**

- Our salvation, our rescue, is a gift from God, not something we earn or deserve.

6. **Not from \_\_\_\_\_**

- We’re not saved **by** our works (Rom 4:5)

7. **No \_\_\_\_\_**

Rom 3:19-27<sup>19</sup> Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God. <sup>20</sup> Therefore by the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified in His sight, for by the law *is* the knowledge of sin. <sup>21</sup> But now the righteousness of God apart from the law is revealed, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, <sup>22</sup> even the righteousness of God, through faith in Jesus Christ, to all and on all who **believe**. For there is no difference; <sup>23</sup> for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup> being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup> whom God set forth *as* a propitiation by His blood, through **faith**, to demonstrate His righteousness, because in His forbearance God had passed over the sins that were previously committed, <sup>26</sup> to demonstrate at the present time His righteousness, that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has **faith** in Jesus. <sup>27</sup> Where *is* **boasting** then? It is excluded. By what law? Of works? No, but by the law of **faith**.

8. **We Are a Doing of God (Something God \_\_\_\_\_)**

9. **Created in Christ Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ Good Works (Titus 2:11-14)**

10. **That in Them We Should Be \_\_\_\_\_**

- **Good works = distinguishing mark in the way we live.**  
4:1 **walk** worthy of the calling with which you were called,  
4:17 you should no longer walk as the rest of the Gentiles **walk**, in the futility of their mind,  
5:2 And **walk** in love,  
5:8 **Walk** as children of light  
5:15 See then that you **walk** circumspectly, not as fools but as wise,