

Sola Gratia: Saved by God's Grace Alone

Celebrating 500 Years of Reformation (1517-2017)

Text: Ephesians 2:1-10

Main Idea: Salvation comes by God's grace & goodwill as a free gift without merit by sinners for the ultimate glory of God!

1. **Sola Gratia** means that *everyone* is helplessly & hopelessly _____ thus requiring the sovereign monergistic work of God's grace to make us alive! (1-3)
 - B/c of the sinner's spiritual _____ of deadness. (1)
 - B/c of the sinner's natural bondage & propensity to follow the _____, _____ & the _____! (2-3a)
 - B/c of the sinner's _____ sinful nature. (3b, Rom 5:18)
2. **Sola Gratia** means that God worked alone in making us _____ according to His grace! (v. 4-9)
 - God's _____: God's *rich* mercy & *great* love! (4)
 - God's _____: God makes us alive "with Christ." (5-6)
 - God's _____: Glory to God alone in the coming ages! (7-9)
3. **Sola Gratia** means that God in His grace created us to do good _____ that do not aid but give evidence of salvation. (10)

Application of Sola Gratia for today:

- 1) **Means of Grace:** Preaching & the Word must be supreme knowing that faith comes by _____ of the Word of God. (Rom 10:17)
- 2) **For yourself:** _____, _____ & _____ should be your life song knowing that God has been merciful to you! (Rom 9:15, 11:33-36)
- 3) **For lost friends & family:** Keep _____ & getting them under the Word knowing that it is God who saves. (1 Cor 3:7)

Homework: Look up these verses and see why no one will be saved without God's grace.

Romans 3:10-12 –

1 Corinthians 2:14 –

1 Corinthians 1:18 –

2 Corinthians 4:3-4 –

Romans 8:5-8 –

John 3:20 –

Psalm 58:3 –

Romans 5:12, 19 –

Eph 4:17-18 –

John 8:34 –

2 Tim 2:25-26 –

John 8:44 –

Jeremiah 13:23 –