Grace Perks

Ro 5:17

Jesus gives man advantages and benefits when they believe in Him for eternal life. Jesus offers **GRACE PERKS**. So, today I want to look a Romans Chapter 5, and we will discover **3 GRACE PERKS** Jesus gives man when they believe the Gospel and put their trust in Him for eternal life.

Perks

- 1. The Gift of Grace (Ro 5:12-19)
- 2. Standing in Grace (Ro 5:1-2)
- 3. Reigning in Grace (Ro 5:3-11, 20-21)

Romans 5:17 (NASB)

¹⁷ For if by the transgression of the one, death reigned through the one, much more those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.

What is the Gospel?

1 Corinthians 15:3-4 (NASB)

³ For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures,

Christ died for our sins (b) Christ was buried (c) Christ was resurrected

The Gospel is God's offer of Spiritual Life to Man

Romans 5:12 (NASB)

¹² Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men, because all sinned—

Genesis 2:7 (KJV)

- ⁷ And the LORD God formed man *of* the dust of the ground (Body), and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life (Spirit); and man became a living soul.
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Our Ministry friend - Bill Loveless (Christ is Life Ministries) in his book "Living Life From a New Source" makes this statement about man that is Spiritually dead –

"Man is left on his **OWN** to be his **OWN** source to meet his **OWN** needs, to solve his **OWN** problems, and to **TRY** to make life a success"

Romans 5:16 (NASB)

¹⁶ The **gift** is not like *that which came* through the one who sinned; for on the one hand the judgment *arose* from one *transgression* resulting in condemnation, but on the other hand the free gift *arose* from many transgressions resulting in justification.

Verse 15a – Free Gift

Verse 15b - Gift by the Grace of one Man (Jesus Christ)

Verse 16a – Gift is not like that which came from the sin of Adam

Verse 16b – Gift results in justification (being made right by God)

Verse 17 – Gift of righteousness (being made right by God)

Point #1 -

So, what is the **PERK** from Christ's Grace Gift?

- a. Spiritual Life (Holy Spirit joined to your human spirit)
- b. God as your source to live life (You are no longer on your OWN, God is in you)

Romans 5:1-2 (NASB)

¹Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom also we have obtained our introduction *by faith into this grace in which we stand;* and we exult in hope of the glory of God.

Most preaching today from the pulpit promotes external conformity to Godliness, which will never work. Why? Here is a little secret –

God would never allow man to be his source of transformation, because if that worked, man wouldn't need God

Point #2 -

So, what is the **PERK** of standing in Grace?

- a. A new way to live
- b. God working in you conforming you into His image

Romans 5:21 (NASB)

²¹ so that, as sin **reigned** in death, even so grace would **reign** through righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Romans 5:17 (NASB)

¹⁷ For if by the transgression of the one, death reigned through the one, much more those who receive the *abundance of grace* and of the *gift of righteousness* will *reign in life* through the One, Jesus Christ.

Point #3 -

So, what is the **PERK** of Reigning in Grace?

- a. Spiritual Power to Live the Christian Life
- b. Intimately Knowing God

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"The Gift of Grace"

"Standing in Grace"

"Reigning in Grace"