

**My God Forgives Me
Like A Child – Part 3
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Mark 10:15 (NIV) *“Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.”*

Grace is a gift you don't deserve.

The Grace of God means that my God forgives me.

1 John 1:9 (NIV) *“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.”*

How Does God Forgive?

- 1. God removes your sin completely.**

Psalm 103:12 (NLT) *“He has removed our sins as far from us as the east is from the west.”*

- 2. God forgets your sin immediately.**

Isaiah 43:25 (NIV) *“I, even I, am He who blots out your transgressions, for My own sake, and remembers your sins no more.”*

Children naturally tend to live under grace.

Grownups tend to live under “The Law.”

Romans 6:14 (NIV) *“For sin shall no longer be your master, because you are not under the law, but under grace.”*

Living Under Grace...

Grace is the life-changing, constant awareness of what you have been given in light of what you deserve.

Grace plus anything you bring is not God's grace at all.

Living Under God's Grace Propels You To Change!

Luke 7:36-39 (NIV) *“When one of the Pharisees invited Jesus to have dinner with him, He went to the Pharisee’s house and reclined at the table.³⁷ A woman in that town who lived a sinful life learned that Jesus was eating at the Pharisee’s house, so she came there with an alabaster jar of perfume.³⁸ As she stood behind Him at His feet weeping, she began to wet His feet with her tears. Then she wiped them with her hair, kissed them and poured perfume on them.³⁹ When the Pharisee who had invited Him saw this, he said to himself, ‘If this Man were a prophet, He would know who is touching Him and what kind of woman she is—that she is a sinner.’ ”*

Luke 7:40-43 (NIV) *“Jesus answered him, ‘Simon, I have something to tell you.’ ‘Tell me, Teacher,’ he said.⁴¹ ‘Two people owed money to a certain moneylender. One owed him five hundred denarii, and the other fifty.⁴² Neither of them had the money to pay him back, so he forgave the debts of both. Now which of them will love him more?’⁴³ Simon replied, ‘I suppose the one who had the bigger debt forgiven.’ ‘You have judged correctly,’ Jesus said.”*

1. Your heart's affection.

Luke 7:44-48 (NIV) *“Then He turned toward the woman and said to Simon, ‘Do you see this woman? I came into your house. You did not give Me any water for My feet, but she wet My feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair.⁴⁵ You did not give Me a kiss, but this woman, from the time I entered, has not stopped kissing My feet.⁴⁶ You did not put oil on My head, but she has poured perfume on My feet.⁴⁷ Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven—as her great love has shown. But whoever has been forgiven little loves little.’⁴⁸ Then Jesus said to her, ‘Your sins are forgiven.’ ”*

2. Your life's direction.

Mark 14:4-5 (NIV) *“Some of those present were saying indignantly to one another, ‘Why this waste of perfume?’⁵ It could have been sold for more than a year’s wages and the money given to the poor.’ And they rebuked her harshly.”*

Luke 7:50 (NIV) *“Jesus said to the woman, ‘Your faith has saved you; go in peace.’ ”*