



1st Thessalonians: Life as It Was Meant to Be
Part One: First Things First!
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God's Grace Allows Me To...

1) Enter God's Family by _____ my life to Christ.

"¹¹For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people," (Titus 2:11, ESV)

"⁶But if it is by grace, it is no longer on the basis of works; otherwise grace would no longer be grace." (Romans 11:6, ESV)

"⁵he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit...⁷so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life." (Titus 3:5-7, ESV)

2) Enter into God's Presence through _____.

"¹⁸O my God, incline your ear and hear. Open your eyes and see our desolations, and the city that is called by your name. For we do not present our pleas before you because of our righteousness, but because of your great mercy." (Daniel 9:18, ESV)

"¹⁶Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need." (Hebrews 4:16, ESV)

3) Enter into God's Purpose through _____.

"¹²I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, ¹³though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and

insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus." (1 Timothy 1:12-14, ESV)

4) Enter into God's Power through _____.

But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them--yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me. 1 Cor. 15:10

2 Cor. 12:9-10 (Mes)

God's Peace

1) Is a result of God's _____.

"²⁷Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid." (John 14:27, ESV)

2) Will help me _____ faithful.

"⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:7, ESV)

"³³I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world." (John 16:33, ESV)

3) Is a critical part of my _____.

"¹⁷For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking but of righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit." (Romans 14:17, ESV)

4) Gives me the _____ I need to live!

"¹³May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope." (Romans 15:13, ESV)



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