



SERMON NOTES

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Scripture: Isaiah 12:1-6, I Timothy 1:1-17 (NAS)

“Grace Alone: The Heart Of God”

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Isaiah 12:1-6

- 1 Then you will say on that day, "I will give thanks to You, O LORD; For although You were angry with me, Your anger is turned away, And You comfort me.
- 2 "Behold, God is my salvation, I will trust and not be afraid; For the LORD GOD is my strength and song, And He has become my salvation."
- 3 Therefore you will joyously draw water From the springs of salvation.
- 4 And in that day you will say, "Give thanks to the LORD, call on His name. Make known His deeds among the peoples; Make them remember that His name is exalted."
- 5 Praise the LORD in song, for He has done excellent things; Let this be known throughout the earth.
- 6 Cry aloud and shout for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, For great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

I Timothy 1:1-17

- 1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus according to the commandment of God our Savior, and of Christ Jesus, who is our hope,
- 2 To Timothy, my true child in the faith: Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.
- 3 As I urged you upon my departure for Macedonia, remain on at Ephesus so that you may instruct certain men not to teach strange doctrines,
- 4 nor to pay attention to myths and endless genealogies, which give rise to mere speculation rather than furthering the administration of God which is by faith.
- 5 But the goal of our instruction is love from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith.
- 6 For some men, straying from these things, have turned aside to fruitless discussion,
- 7 wanting to be teachers of the Law, even though they do not understand either what they are saying or the matters about which they make confident assertions.
- 8 But we know that the Law is good, if one uses it lawfully,
- 9 realizing the fact that law is not made for a righteous person, but for those who are lawless and rebellious, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for those who kill their fathers or mothers, for murderers
- 10 and immoral men and homosexuals and kidnappers and liars and perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound teaching,
- 11 according to the glorious gospel of the blessed God, with which I have been entrusted.
- 12 I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because He considered me faithful, putting me into service,
- 13 even though I was formerly a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent aggressor. Yet I was shown mercy because I acted ignorantly in unbelief;
- 14 and the grace of our Lord was more than abundant, with the faith and love which are found in Christ Jesus.
- 15 It is a trustworthy statement, deserving full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, among whom I am foremost of all.
- 16 Yet for this reason I found mercy, so that in me as the foremost, Jesus Christ might demonstrate His perfect patience as an example for those who would believe in Him for eternal life.
- 17 Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.