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Topic: Types of Grace

Text: Ephesians 2: 1-13, John 3:15-16, John 19:30

Introduction:

Dr. Philip Pascal defines grace as God's unmerited favor to unmerited men. On the cross, Jesus said, "It is finished". In other words, the debt of sin is fully **paid**, the sentence of judgment and eternal punishment is fully **served** and the battle against Satan, sin and sickness is fully **won**.

General Grace – Matt. 5:44-45

General Grace is what God provides for all humanity e.g. God wakes up every man in the morning. This grace is given to both believers and unbelievers. **Nb**. A sinner can receive general grace and still remain in sin. **Father** allows sun to rise up on all and rain to fall on all.

Saving Grace – Eph. 2:8-10, Luke 19:10, Acts 2:38

This is the grace that only those saved are able to enjoy. It's available for all, but given to only those who tap into it. It allows sins to be forgiven. **Son** is the brain behind this grace.

Enabling Grace – Tit. 2:11-12

This is the grace that gives the ability to do the will of God, serve, deny evil, endure, resist, receive from God, and activate the fruit and gifts of the Spirit. **Holy Spirit** is the brain behind this grace. There are different categories of enabling grace:

- **Sanctifying Grace:** 1 Thes. 4:3. As you obey God, He gives you a complimentary grace to keep you sanctified. John 17:17 – Sanctify them through thy word: thy word is truth.
- **Sufficiency Grace:** 2 Cor.9:8, 2 Cor. 12:7-9, Psa. 23:1 – God makes provisions available for all our needs. After the disciples came back from their mission work in Luke 22:35, Jesus asked them if they lacked anything and they answered, "No".
- **Serving Grace:** Believers are freely given different graces and capacities as stewards to serve and build up the faith of others - 1 Pet. 4:10. Paul and God's Grace – 1 Cor.15:9-11
- **Amazing Grace:** God performs miracles through His Amazing grace through His servants, e.g. Stephen was full of faith and power and did amazing miracles - Acts. 6:8.
- **Enduring Grace:** This grace keeps you and I going in the face of difficulties and helps the believer to finish well and strong. Matt. 24:13, Phil. 1:6. Remember Paul in 2 Tim. 4:5-7, Jesus said, Nevertheless not my will but thine – Luke 22:42.

Benefits of Grace

1. It brings redemption through His blood which Christ paid, we are just recipients.
2. We inherit eternal life.
3. God also provides sufficient sustenance in the season of pain.
4. His grace makes high mountains climbable, low valleys crossable, painful suffering endurable and burdens bearable.
5. It teaches us how to live holy and wholly. Titus 2:11-12, 3 John 2

CONCLUSION – Jesus is the grace of God. Many believers are carrying the check of Grace without cashing it and the unbelievers despise this Grace unto their own destruction.