

This is Amazing Grace

Bible Story: This is Amazing Grace (Grace is a Gift) • Ephesians 2:8-9

Bottom Line: Jesus is a gift for everyone.

Memory Verse: Faith is being sure of what we hope for. It is being sure of what we do not see.

Hebrews 11:1, (NIrV)

Life App: Faith—Trusting in what you can't see because of what you can see

Activity #1- Bible Story

Parents, read through this week's Bible story with your child or check out our video teaching on this page. This week we are learning about God's free gift of grace.

Activity #2- The Gift of Grace

What you need: A box with a lid, wrapping paper, markers, paper and tape

What you do: Write out the following phrases on separate pieces of paper:

- We all mess up. No one has it all together.
- You don't have to do everything perfectly to fit in with God.
- We don't have to do good things to make up for the things we did wrong.
- There is nothing you can do to make God love you more...or less!
- God loves you and accepts you no matter what you've done.

Ask your child which one of these phrases is the hardest for you to believe or accept? Why?

Fold up the pieces of paper and place them in the box. Write out the memory verse (Ephesians 2:8) on the wrapping paper and then wrap the box. Wrap the lid separately so you can get back inside the box easily.

What you say: Explain that this box is the "gift of grace." Encourage your child to place their box in a place where they'll see it often this week and open it to remind themselves that God's grace is a free gift.

Activity #2- Discussion Questions

- 1. What is the best gift you ever received? When was it and what was the occasion?
- 2. We talked about the gift of grace—what do we have to do to earn grace? (We don't have to earn it. Grace comes from faith alone, in Jesus alone.)

- 3. Name some things that we do have to earn. (examples: grades, money, a spot on the team, the part in the play, etc. . . .)
- 4. Why can it be hard to receive a gift given for no reason, out of the blue, completely random and free?
- 5. Why do people give gifts? How does this reflect the gift that God gave us?