

THE GRACE AWAKENING
DO YOU REALLY MODEL GRACE?
SELECTED SCRIPTURES



The Heart of the Matter

We have already examined grace from several perspectives: vertically and horizontally, relationally and doctrinally, biblically and personally. We have discovered that grace is important in our homes with family members, in our churches where we serve so closely alongside one another, and at our jobs where the world is watching when the pressure mounts. In all these situations—especially when disagreements abound—we must work our way toward peaceful resolutions. Repeatedly, we’ve learned that there’s nothing like grace to oil the gears when life becomes a lengthy grind and especially when we encounter those who aren’t easy to be around. Now, let’s give our attention to the importance of modeling grace—a great need among all of us who minister in *any* capacity as members of the body of Christ seeking to fulfill our callings as followers of Jesus Christ.



Discovering the Way

1. A Strong Reminder from an Ancient Prophet (Zechariah 4:6–7)

The prophet Zechariah reminds us that we cannot serve God successfully in our own power but must rely on the empowerment of God’s Spirit.

2. Marks of a Grace-Oriented Follower of Christ (Selected Scriptures)

Grace-oriented followers of Jesus possess generosity with personal possessions, encouragement in challenging circumstances, ministry beyond the “letter” of Scripture, liberty for creative expression, and release from past failures.



Starting Your Journey

To truly embody grace, we each need to *grow in grace*. None of us have arrived, but with the Spirit’s help, we will be transformed.



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