

A Disciple Of Love Pt12

Grace And Truth

JOHN 1:1

1. *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.*

JOHN 1:14

14. *And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of **grace and truth**.*

JOHN 1:17 *For the law was given by Moses, but **grace and truth** came by Jesus Christ.*

COLOSSIANS 1:3-7

3. *We give thanks to God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you,*

4. *Since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus, and of the love which ye have to all the saints,*

5. *For the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ye heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel;* 6. *Which is come unto you, as it is in all the world; and bringeth forth*

*fruit, as it doth also in you, since the day ye heard of it, and knew **the grace of God in truth**:*

7. *As ye also learned of **Epaphras** our dear fellowservant, who is for you **a faithful minister of Christ**;*

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Epaphras {ep-af-ras'}

1) Epaphras meaning "lovely" was a fellow labourer with the apostle Paul, mentioned in Col.

1:7, as having taught the Colossian church **the grace of God in truth**, and designated **a faithful minister of Christ** on their behalf. He was at that time with St. Paul at Rome (A.D.

57). 2) Epaphroditus meaning "lovely", is the full name of which Epaphras is a contraction.

COLOSSIANS 1:8-11

8. *Who also declared unto us your love in the Spirit.* 9. *For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding;* 10. *That ye might walk worthy of the*

Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of

God; 11. *Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness;*

COLOSSIANS 4:12-13

12. ***Epaphras**, who is one of you, **a servant of Christ**, saluteth you, always labouring fervently for you in prayers, that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God.*

13. For I bear him record, that he hath a great zeal for you, and them that are in Laodicea, and them in Hierapolis.

PHILEMON 1:23

23. There salute thee Epaphras, my fellowprisoner in Christ Jesus;

PHILIPPIANS 2:19-29

19. But I trust in the Lord Jesus to send Timotheus shortly unto you, that I also may be of good comfort, when I know your state. 20. For I have no man likeminded, who will naturally care for your state. 21. For all seek their own, not the things which are Jesus Christ's.

22. But ye know the proof of him, that, as a son with the father, he hath served with me in the gospel.

23. Him therefore I hope to send presently, so soon as I shall see how it will go with me.

24. But I trust in the Lord that I also myself shall come shortly.

25. Yet I supposed it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus, my brother, and companion in labour, and fellowsoldier, but your messenger, and he that ministered to my wants.

26. For he longed after you all, and was full of heaviness, because that ye had heard that he had been sick. 27. For indeed he was sick nigh unto death: but God had mercy on him; and not on him only, but on me also, lest I should have sorrow upon sorrow. 28. I sent him therefore the more carefully, that, when ye see him again, ye may rejoice, and that I may be the less sorrowful.

29. Receive him therefore in the Lord with all gladness; and hold such in [reputation]:

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entimos {en'-tee-mos}

1) held in honour, prized, precious

PHILIPPIANS 2:30

30. Because for the work of Christ he was nigh unto death, not regarding his life, to supply your lack of service toward me.

PHILIPPIANS 4:15-19

15. Now ye Philippians know also, that in the beginning of the gospel, when I departed from Macedonia, no church communicated with me as concerning giving and receiving, but ye only. 16. For even in Thessalonica ye sent once and again unto my necessity.

17. Not because I desire a gift: but I desire fruit that may abound to your account.

18. But I have all, and abound: I am full, having received of Epaphroditus the things which were sent from you, an odour of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, wellpleasing to God. 19. But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

EPHESIANS 4:14-15

14. *That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; 15. But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:*

THE MARK OF THE BEAST AND THE SEAL OF GOD PT2 [61-0217]

He's going to have to break down these denominational barriers. We're letting communism start eating around us, and then we'll have to come together. **God will make His Word fulfilled, because the covenant is unconditional, not, "If you will, I will; but I have already done it."** That's right. Oh, I love that. Amen. That just makes me feel religious.

Notice what He did here now. **Not, "If you will, I will."** That--that ended when Adam broke his covenant, and Israel broke her covenant, from Exodus 19, and so forth. But this is--covenant's grace. God swore, told Abraham, He swore by Himself that it would be thus. And He took a oath by Himself. So through the true Seed of Abraham is Jesus Christ, which is the grace of God, and no more law to it, no, sir. **Law's not connected with it at all. You're above the law, over the law; it's love. Love is above the law: grace.** Law came by Moses; **grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.**

THEN JESUS CAME AND CALLED [64-0417]

The law was for the Jew, years ago. Today we're in the realms of grace, and we're--**we're living above the law. A man that's--that's living in grace has no law. There is no law to grace.**

How can you condemn me for running a stop light here, which the city has done give me a right to run any stop light I wish, too? See? You couldn't. There's no law to condemn me.

So, **as long as I'm in Christ, I'm free from the law.** See? **I'm above the law because I'm in His grace. He's put that confidence in me, that I won't do anything that's wrong, or He wouldn't have give me that grace.** That's what He does to you the same way. We're in His grace.

I TIMOTHY 1:9a

9a. *Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners*

ROMANS 6:14-15

14. *For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.*
15. *What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid.*