

## Understanding Grace ...John 14:6

*“Jesus said to him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me”*  
*...John 14:6 (NKJV)*

### 1. Twisting the Scriptures and the Image of God...

- False doctrines and works based faith (within the church)... *Matthew 7:15...*
- Universalism (the world view)... *John 14:6 “The Way, the Truth, and the Life”...*
- Evolution teaching over the years... *Romans 1:19-20...*

### 2. The sin problem that separates us from God... *Christ is our Advocate!*

- God is holy, and we are sinners.... *Christ is the bridge!*
- His grace is greater than our sins... *Romans 5:20-21*

### 3. Biblical doctrines that define our faith....

*...In order for us to be blessed, and saved... He had to be cursed...*

- The Virgin Birth – *Romans 5:12*
- Imputation – *Psalm 32:1-2, 2Corinthians 5:21*
- Justification – *Ephesians 2:8-9, Romans 3:23-24, Romans 4:5*
- Adoption – *Romans 8:14-16, Galatians 3:26*

### 4. Salvation... a Gift of Grace

- Righteousness – we have been saved from the penalty of sin...
- Sanctification – we are being saved from the power of sin.. (*He gives us a way of escape*)...
- Redemption – we are saved from the presence of sin...

### 5. It is Important we Understand....

*...Like Zacchaeus... people can obstruct our view... Luke 19:1-10*

- In the end... it was Jesus who climbed up the tree (cross).... *Isaiah 53:5, Romans 5:8*

### 6. His love leads to Repentance, not Condemnation....*John 3:16-17*

*“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.”*

Group Discussion

1. What stood out to you in tonight's message and scripture passages? ...*be descriptive!*

2. READ ***Ephesians 2:4-10*** and ***Romans 8:1-11*** together... Describe what it means to be saved by God's grace, and not by our own efforts toward "being good enough"...

- Based on ***Roman's 8:1-11***...How is it that we can live free of condemnation? ...*discuss with your Group!*

3. Understanding the foundations of our faith... How can we share the Gospel in "truth and in love", to those who are "stumbling blocks" in our lives?

4. Is there anything from tonight's discussion that spoke to you personally? In what way(s) does it affect your life?  
**How will you directly and specifically apply it in your life today?**

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Take a few moments to share any Prayer Requests with the men in your Group. Write down any requests and commit to pray for one another throughout the week.

*(It's great to know that other guys are praying for the important things in your life...and it's great to be praying for the important things in their lives!)*

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How do the **5 Principles for the Christian Man**, help equip you to apply this to your life?

*Discuss your answer with your group...*

- Prayer (*Relationship*)
- God's Word (*Knowledge and Understanding*)
- Worship (*Adoration*)
- Fellowship (*Encouragement and Accountability*)
- Service (*Caring for Others, Action to your Belief*)