### PERFECTIONS

- A. Introduction
- B. Incommunicable Perfections
- C. Communicable Perfections
  - 8. Grace

### GOD'S

### GRACE

"God's love shown to those who have not deserved it, but have rather deserved its opposite"

Hoekema

"The unmerited goodness or love of God to those who have forfeited it and are by nature under a sentence of condemnation."

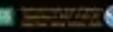
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### GRACE

>His Nature







Ps 86:15 But Thou, O Lord, art a God merciful and gracious, Slow to anger and abundant in lovingkindness and truth.

Ps 103:8 The Lord is compassionate and gracious, Slow to anger and abounding in lovingkindness.

1Cor 1:4 I thank my God always concerning you, for the grace of God which was given you in Christ Jesus,

2Cor 8:1 Now, brethren, we wish to make known to you the grace of God which has been given in the churches of Macedonia,

### GRACE

>His Nature

**Descriptions** 



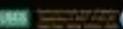
### DESCRIPTIONS

- ▶1Pe 5:10 ... God of all grace
- >1Pe 5:12 ... true grace of God
- >1Pe 4:10 ... manifold grace of God.
- ► He 4:16 ... throne of grace
- >1Co 9:14 ... surpassing grace of God
- >Eph 1:6 ... glory of His grace
- Eph 1:7 ... riches of His grace
- **▶**Eph 2:7 ... surpassing riches of His grace

### GRACE

- >His Nature
- **Descriptions**
- Source





Ps 84:11 For the Lord God is a sun and shield; The Lord gives grace and glory; No good thing does He withhold from those who walk uprightly.

Jn 1:14 And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.

### GRACE

- >His Nature
- **Descriptions**
- >Source
- Display



### DISPLAY

1. Common Grace



Mt 5:45 in order that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven; for He causes His sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous.

Rom 2:4 Or do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and forbearance and patience, not knowing that the kindness of God leads you to repentance?

### DISPLAY

- 1. Common Grace
- 2. **OT**



### Gen 6:8. But Noah found favor in the eyes of the LORD

Ps 123:3 Be gracious to us, O
Lord, be gracious to us; For we are greatly filled with contempt.

### DISPLAY

- 1. Common Grace
- 2. **OT**
- 3. Believers
  - Salvation

Rom 3:24 being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus;

Tit 3:7 that being justified by His grace we might be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

### DISPLAY

- 1. Common Grace
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Enablement

1Pet 5:10 And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who called you to His eternal glory in Christ, will Himself perfect, confirm, strengthen and establish you.

Jas 4:6 But He gives a greater grace.

Therefore it says, "God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace to the humble."

### DISPLAY

- 1. Common Grace
- 2. **OT**
- 3. Believers
  - Salvation

**Enablement** 

**Ministry** 

Jupiter & Ganymede



1Pet 4:10 As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

Rom 12:6 And since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let each exercise them accordingly: if prophecy, according to the proportion of his faith;

2Cor 4:15 For all things are for your sakes, that the grace which is spreading to more and more people may cause the giving of thanks to abound to the glory of God.

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  - 9. Goodness

### GOD'S

### GOODNESS

# "That perfection of God which prompts Him to deal bountifully and kindly with all His creatures."

#### L. Berkhof

# "The Goodness of God is the drive behind all the blessings He daily bestows upon us."

A. W. Tozer

### GOODNESS

>His Nature







## Ps 145:9 The Lord is good to all, And His mercies are over all His works.

Ps 135:3 Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good; Sing praises to His name, for it is lovely.

## Ps 119:68 Thou art good and doest good; Teach me Thy statutes.

Jn 10:11 "I am the good shepherd; the good shepherd lays down His life for the sheep.

### GOODNESS

- >His Nature
- >His Word



Ps 119:39 Turn away my reproach which I dread, For Thine ordinances are good.

Heb 6:5 and have tasted the good word of God and the powers of the age to come,

### GOODNESS

- >His Nature
- >His Word
- >His Will



Eph 1:5 He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will,

Eph 1:9 He made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His kind intention which He purposed in Him

### GOODNESS

- >His Nature
- >His Word
- >His Will
- >His Works



"Very good" Creation - Gen 1:31

Ps 119:68 Thou art good and doest good ... (above)

Ps 145:17 The Lord is righteous in all His ways, And kind in all His deeds.

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  - 10. Love

### GOD'S

### LOVE

"God's love is that perfection of the divine nature by which God is eternally moved to communicate Himself. It is not a mere emotional impulse, but a rational and voluntary affection, having its ground in truth and holiness and its exercise in free choice. This is not to deny feeling, for love necessarily involves feeling."

**Thiessen** 

"God's love is an exercise of His goodness towards individual sinners whereby, having identified Himself with their welfare, He has given His Son to be their Savior, and now brings them to know and enjoy Him in a covenant relation."

J.I. Packer

1Jn 4:8 The one who does not love does not know God, for God is love.

Rom 5:8 But God demonstrates
His own love toward us, in that
while we were yet sinners,
Christ died for us.

### SCOPE

- 1. Holy
- 2. Sacrificial

3. Infinite

- 4. Free
- 5. Independent
- 6. Eternal
- 7. Emotional
- 8. Gracious

The Love of God

### **OBJECTS**

- 1. Trinity
- 2. Unbelievers
- 3. OT Saints
- 4. NT Saints

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  - 11. Other Perfections