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# Message Outline

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- By His Stripes, the Objective Reality of God's Grace Already Established
- Favor as Multifaceted Grace
- The Apostle as a Witnesses of the Resurrection



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- A More Sure Word of Scripture Until the Day Star Arises in Your Hearts
- The Apostolic Power of a Praying Church
- Removing the Veil of Apostleship



# By His Stripes, the Objective Reality of God's Grace Already Established

1 Peter 2:21–24 NKJV For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps: (22) "WHO COMMITTED NO SIN, NOR WAS DECEIT FOUND IN HIS MOUTH...";



# By His Stripes, the Objective Reality of God's Grace Already Established

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1 Peter 2:21–24 NKJV ...(23) who,  
when He was reviled, did not revile  
in return; when He suffered, He did  
not threaten, but committed  
Himself to Him who judges  
righteously;...



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1 Peter 2:21–24 NKJV ...(24) who  
Himself bore our sins in His own  
body on the tree, that we, having  
died to sins, might live for  
righteousness—by whose stripes  
you were healed.



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Isaiah 53:4–5 NKJV Surely He has borne our griefs And carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted. (5) But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, And by His stripes we are healed.



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Matthew 8:14-17 NKJV Now when Jesus had come into Peter's house, He saw his wife's mother lying sick with a fever. (15) So He touched her hand, and the fever left her. And she arose and served them. (16) When evening had come, they brought to Him many who were demon-possessed...



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Matthew 8:14–17 NKJV ...(16)...And He cast out the spirits with a word, and healed all who were sick, (17) that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying: "HE HIMSELF TOOK OUR INFIRMITIES AND BORE OUR SICKNESSES."



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- Jesus Stripes healed from all consequences of sins
- Reality established objectively at the Cross
- Reality experientially manifested through Christ's resurrection life



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# *Favor as Multifaceted Grace*

Genesis 39:2-4 NKJV The LORD was with Joseph, and he was a successful man; and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian.

(3) And his master saw that the LORD was with him and that the LORD made all he did to prosper in his hand. (4) So Joseph found favor in his sight, and served him. Then he made him overseer of his house, and all that he had he put under his authority.



# *Favor as Multifaceted Grace*

Exodus 3:20–22 NKJV So I will stretch out My hand and strike Egypt with all My wonders which I will do in its midst; and after that he will let you go. (21) And I will give this people favor in the sight of the Egyptians; and it shall be, when you go, that you shall not go empty-handed...



# *Favor as Multifaceted Grace*

Exodus 3:20–22 NKJV ...(22) But every woman shall ask of her neighbor, namely, of her who dwells near her house, articles of silver, articles of gold, and clothing; and you shall put them on your sons and on your daughters. So you shall plunder the Egyptians."



# *Favor as Multifaceted Grace*

Esther 2:8–9 NKJV So it was, when the king's command and decree were heard, and when many young women were gathered at Shushan the citadel, under the custody of Hegai, that Esther also was taken to the king's palace, into the care of Hegai the custodian of the women...



# *Favor as Multifaceted Grace*

Esther 2:8–9 NKJV ...(9) Now the young woman pleased him, and she obtained his favor; so he readily gave beauty preparations to her, besides her allowance. Then seven choice maidservants were provided for her from the king's palace, and he moved her and her maidservants to the best place in the house of the women.



# *Favor as Multifaceted Grace*

Luke 2:46–52 NKJV Now so it was that after three days they found Him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, both listening to them and asking them questions. (47) And all who heard Him were astonished at His understanding and answers...



# *Favor as Multifaceted Grace*

Luke 2:46–52 NKJV ...(48) So when they saw Him, they were amazed; and His mother said to Him, "Son, why have You done this to us? Look, Your father and I have sought You anxiously." (49) And He said to them, "Why did you seek Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business?..."



# *Favor as Multifaceted Grace*

Luke 2:46–52 NKJV ...(50) But they did not understand the statement which He spoke to them. (51) Then He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was subject to them, but His mother kept all these things in her heart. (52) And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.



# *Favor as Multifaceted Grace*

Acts 2:44–47 NKJV Now all who believed were together, and had all things in common, (45) and sold their possessions and goods, and divided them among all, as anyone had need...



# *Favor as Multifaceted Grace*

Acts 2:44–47 NKJV ...(46) So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart, (47) praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved.



# Favor as Multifaceted Grace

Judges 6:14–17, Psalms 44:2–5, Proverbs  
3:30–35, John 1:14–17,



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# Favor as Multifaceted Grace

- Grace simply means unmerited favor.
- Common understanding one dimensional impartation of favor with God
- Grace both imparts favor and draws favor



# *The Fullness of Multifaceted Grace*

The Fullness of Multifaceted Grace  
is Found in Apoostleship, Which was Manifest  
in Selected People at the Very First Revival, but  
Becomes the Universal Experience of the  
True Church in the Final Great Awakening



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# *The Apostle as a Witnesses of the Resurrection*

Acts 1:20–22 NKJV "For it is written in the Book of Psalms: 'LET HIS DWELLING PLACE BE DESOLATE, AND LET NO ONE LIVE IN IT'; and, 'LET ANOTHER TAKE HIS OFFICE.' (21) "Therefore, of these men who have accompanied us all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, (22) beginning from the baptism of John to that day when He was taken up from us, one of these must become a witness with us of His resurrection."



# *The Apostle as a Witnesses of the Resurrection*

1 Corinthians 15:3–8 NKJV For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, (4) and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, (5) and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve...



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1 Corinthians 15:3–8 NKJV ...(6) After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep. (7) After that He was seen by James, then by all the apostles. (8) Then last of all He was seen by me also, as by one born out of due time.



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2 Peter 1:16–21 KJV For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of his majesty. (17) For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased...



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# *The Distribution of Apostleship*

While God used Selected People at the Very First  
Revival, and Ephesian 4:11-16 Permits the Same  
Today, the Normal End Times Fulfillment of the  
Apostolic Office is to be Found in the Whole Church



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# A More Sure Word of Scripture Until the Day Star Arises in Your Hearts

2 Peter 1:16–21 KJV ...(18) And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were with him in the holy mount. (19) We have also a **more sure word of prophecy** whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a **light** that shineth in a dark place, until **the day dawn**, and the **day star arise in your hearts**:...



# A More Sure Word of Scripture Until the Day Star Arises in Your Hearts

2 Peter 1:16–21 KJV ...(20) Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. (21) For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.



# *The Apostolic Power of a Praying Church*

Matthew 7:7–11 NKJV "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. (8) For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened. (9) Or what man is there among you who, if his son asks for bread, will give him a stone?..



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Matthew 7:7-11 NKJV "... (10) Or if he asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent? (11) If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him!



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# *The Apostolic Power of a Praying Church*

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Matthew 18:15–20 NKJV "Moreover if your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he hears you, you have gained your brother. (16) But if he will not hear, take with you one or two more, that 'BY THE MOUTH OF TWO OR THREE WITNESSES EVERY WORD MAY BE ESTABLISHED...'



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Matthew 18:15–20 NKJV "... (17) And if he refuses to hear them, tell it to the church. But if he refuses even to hear the church, let him be to you like a heathen and a tax collector. (18) "Assuredly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven...



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# *The Apostolic Power of a Praying Church*

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Matthew 18:15–20 NKJV ...(19) "Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven. (20) For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them."



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# *The Apostolic Power of a Praying Church*

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Ephesians 3:14–21 NKJV For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, (15) from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, (16) that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man,...



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Ephesians 3:14–21 NKJV ...(17) that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, (18) may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height— (19) to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God...



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Ephesians 3:14–21 NKJV ...(20) Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, (21) to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.



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# *The Apostolic Power of a Praying Church*

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- God is pre-disposed to give generously
- The Church Assembled in Christ has apostolic power, as Christ himself is there
- We are called to know the breadth of God's fulness, so we can press into the fulness of Christ.



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# *The Apostolic Power of a Praying Church*

- He can do immeasurably more than we can ask or imagine – according to the power at work in us
- Contexts in which this power may be manifest
  - Personal Progress
  - Intercessory healing
  - Imprecatory Prayers/ terror upon the enemies of God



# The Terror of the Lord

Exodus 23:27-28 KJV I will send my fear before thee, and will destroy all the people to whom thou shalt come, and I will make all thine enemies turn their backs unto thee. (23:28) And I will send hornets before thee, which shall drive out the Hivite, the Canaanite, and the Hittite, from before thee.



# The Terror of the Lord

Deuteronomy 11:25 There shall no man be able to stand before you: for the LORD your God shall lay the fear of you and the dread of you upon all the land that ye shall tread upon...

Also Joshua 2:9–11, Joshua 5:1, Deuteronomy 2:25,



# The Apostolic Power of a Praying Church

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- The Apostle is a sent one from God
- Sent for whatever purpose God has called him
- The Apostolic Office not only speaks messages for God like the Prophet, but acts in God's Stead.
- Many OT Prophets were really Apostles



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➤ From G649; a delegate; specifically an **ambassador** of the Gospel; officially a commissioner of Christ (“apostle”), (with miraculous powers): – apostle, messenger, he that is sent.

➤ Total KJV occurrences: 81



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- The Apostolic Office is marked by visual confirmation of the Shekinah Glory of God
- While Ephesian 4:11–16 allows for individual apostles throughout the Church Age, its primary fulfillment is found in the Church collectively seeing the Glory of God rather than specific individuals



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# Removing the Veil of Apostleship

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1 Peter 2:9 NKJV But you are a chosen generation, **a royal priesthood, a holy nation**, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;



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Exodus 19:5–6 NKJV Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth is Mine. (6) **And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.'** These are the words which you shall speak to the children of Israel."



# Removing the Veil of Apostleship

Exodus 34:29–35 NKJV Now it was so, when Moses came down from Mount Sinai (and the two tablets of the Testimony were in Moses' hand when he came down from the mountain), that Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone while he talked with Him...



# Removing the Veil of Apostleship

Exodus 34:29–35 NKJV ...(30) So when Aaron and all the children of Israel saw Moses, behold, the skin of his face shone, and they were afraid to come near him. (31) Then Moses called to them, and Aaron and all the rulers of the congregation returned to him; and Moses talked with them....



# Removing the Veil of Apostleship

Exodus 34:29–35 NKJV ...(32)

Afterward all the children of Israel came near, and he gave them as commandments all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. (33) And when Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face....



# Removing the Veil of Apostleship

Exodus 34:29–35 NKJV ...(34) But whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with Him, he would take the veil off until he came out; and he would come out and speak to the children of Israel whatever he had been commanded...



# Removing the Veil of Apostleship

Exodus 34:29–35 NKJV ...(35) And whenever the children of Israel saw the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face shone, then Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with Him.



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2 Corinthians 3:2–18 NKJV You are our epistle, written in our hearts, known and read by all men; (3) clearly you are an epistle of Christ, ministered by us, written not with ink but by the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of flesh, that is, of the heart....



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2 Corinthians 3:2–18 NKJV ...(7) But if the ministry of death, written and engraved on stones, was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not look steadily at the face of Moses because of the glory of his countenance, which glory was passing away, (8) how will the ministry of the Spirit not be more glorious?...



# Removing the Veil of Apostleship

2 Corinthians 3:2–18 NKJV ...(14) But their minds were blinded. For until this day the same veil remains unlifted in the reading of the Old Testament, because the veil is taken away in Christ. (15) But even to this day, when Moses is read, a veil lies on their heart. (16) Nevertheless when one turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away...



# Removing the Veil of Apostleship

2 Corinthians 3:2–18 NKJV ...(17) Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. (18) But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.



# Removing the Veil of Apostleship

- The believer in Christ has God's Word written in their hearts through the Holy Spirit (We are epistles of Christ)
- Unbelief puts a veil over our hearts
- Turning to Christ in faith takes away the veil



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