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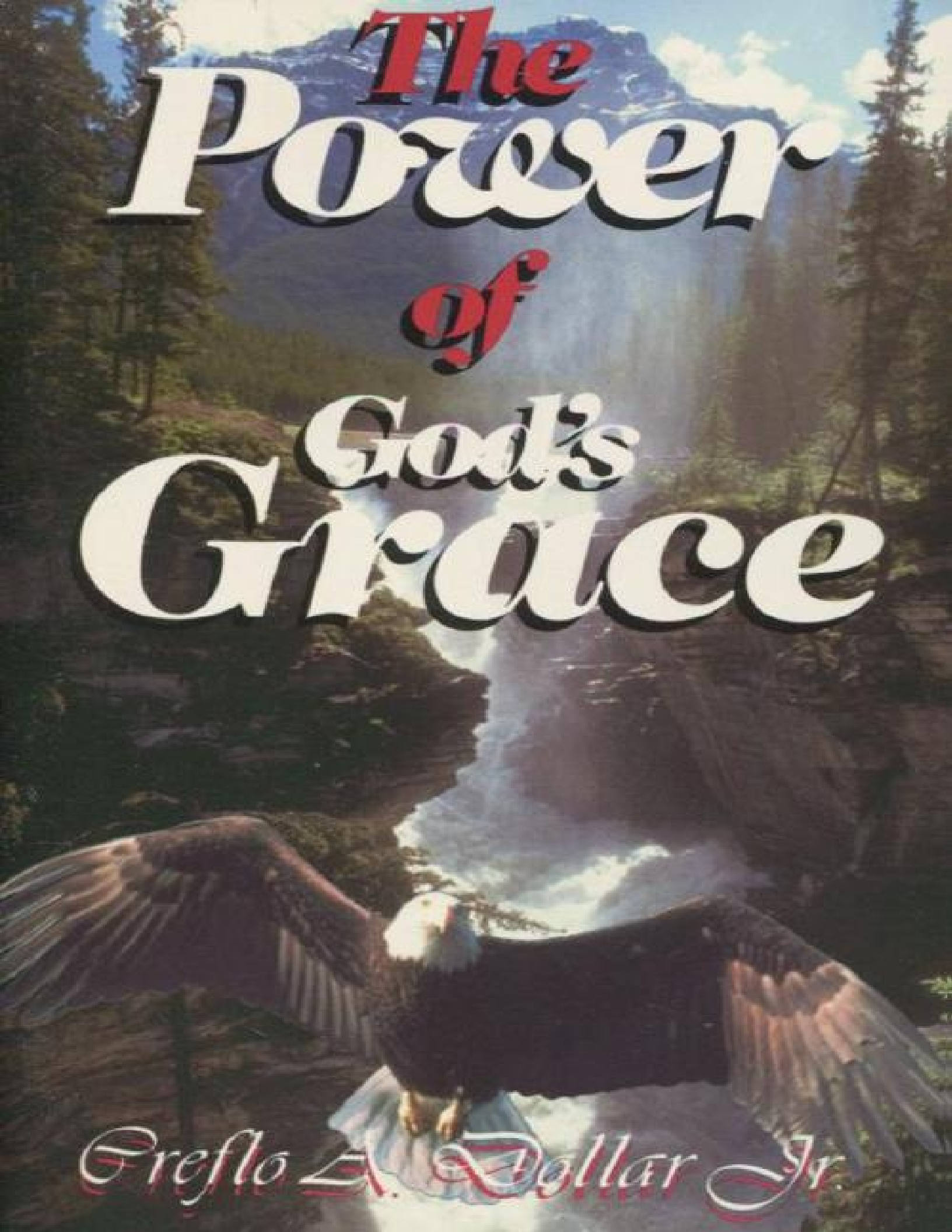

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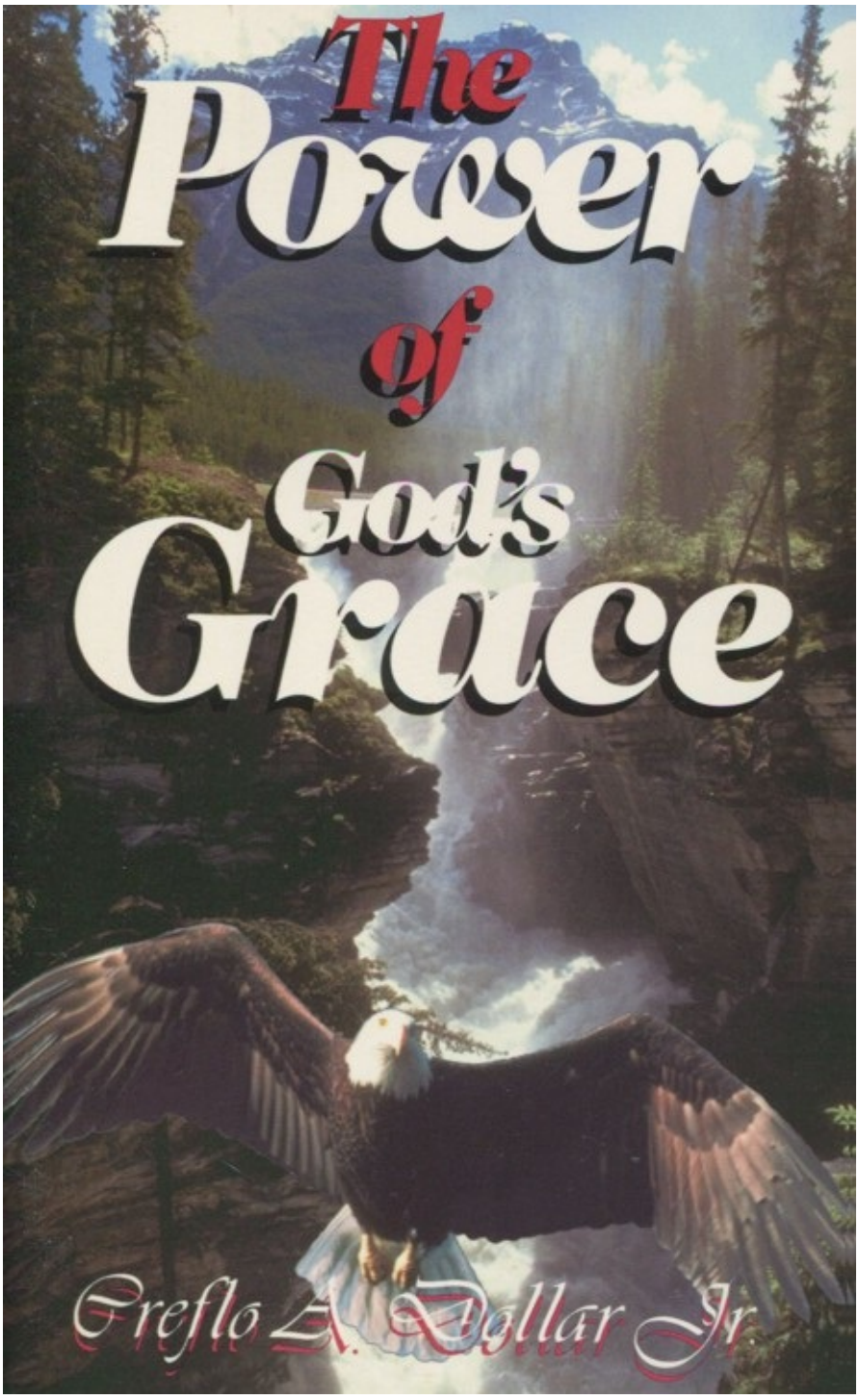

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Introduction

Grace. It's more amazing than you

think.

We've sung songs that say we've been

saved by grace, without really knowing

what that means. And, for years our

tradition has led us to believe that grace is

unmerited, undeserved and unearned

favor given to us by God, as a means to

overlook or excuse our transgressions.

You're no doubt familiar with the

scripture that promises, *"But where sin*

abounded, grace did much more abound."

(Romans 5:20) We've mistakenly used and

abused this gift from God as a license to sin, and have driven ourselves farther away from the truth. To define it as we have traditionally done so in the past, is

to tell just part of the story without hearing the conclusion of the whole matter. To limit the ability of grace is to misunderstand God's intent, as well as its purpose in our lives. " *For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God....”* (Ephesians 2:8)

The Greek word for grace is *charis*, which is the root word for charisma or endowment, such as the endowment or anointing of the Holy Ghost. It means gift or favor, and is God's divine influence upon your heart, and the reflection of that influence in your life. By studying the origin of the word, we can clearly see the

definite relationship between grace and the anointing.

And it shall come to pass in that day, that his burden shall be taken away from off thy shoulder, and his yoke from off thy

neck, and the yoke shall be destroyed because of the anointing. (Isaiah 10:27)

Because of the endowment, or anointing, we are able to turn impossibilities into possibilities. Because of the influence of God upon our hearts, we are able to do all that He's called us to do.

Do you see now where we've limited the Word? We were never taught that grace has its part in removing the burdens and destroying the yokes that entangle our lives. Until now, no one explained to us that the gift of grace is given to each of us to assist in carrying out the specific task the Lord has assigned us to do. Grace

is the anointing of power and equipment for your ministry, which is how you are to serve God with your life, to obey and do whatever He calls you to do. Ministry does not only belong to the person preaching from the pulpit, but is the

avenue by which your walk with God is manifested in your everyday life. There's grace to be the best construction worker on the job site, grace to sing solos in church that set people free, and even grace to eliminate oppression in someone else's life. Until recently, we never even understood that there are different *kinds* of grace, with accompanying methods of obtaining each. This revelation surpasses our limited concept of being forgiven every time we mess up, and takes on life-changing meaning. After reading this book, your life cannot and will not be the

same. Once you get a hold of how God really intends for you to be blessed by His Word, you'll see this gift in a different light. Empowered, anointed and equipped to do whatever God has called you to do—now that's truly amazing grace! How sweet the sound.

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The Power of God's Grace

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Everyone Given the Gift

Every human being alive today has been given an assignment by God. Everyone has something he or she has been called to do, appointed to do, by none other than the Lord Himself. In addition, you've been given power, anointing, and equipment that you did not earn, nor deserve, to carry out your assignment. Now, this gift of grace was given to you before the very foundation

of the world, so that you might benefit others through your calling. " *By whom we have received grace and apostleship, for obedience to the faith among all nations, for his name."* (Romans 1:5)

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It is through Him that we have received grace—God's unmerited favor— and [our] apostleship to promote obedience to the faith and make disciples for His name's sake among all the nations... (Romans 1:5 Amp)

Not Just Favor

Grace is not just defined as unmerited love or favor. It is not just defined as a gift. It is the root, the very source of the anointing that has been given to us to succeed in life. Over a period of time even the disciples began to realize this:

Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether

prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith. (Romans 12:6)

Having gifts, (faculties, talents, qualities) that differ according to the grace given us, let us use them: [He

whose gift is] prophecy, [let him prophesy] according to the proportion of his faith. (Romans 12:6 Amp)

Grace Based on Ministry

Although we all have a gift, our gifts are different based on the grace given to us for our particular ministry. And, because the power for ministry differs, God doesn't want you to try to operate in the anointing for something He hasn't chosen for you. Some of you know what you've been anointed to do, but you're sitting on your calling, waiting on your big break. Actually, what you're doing is operating in false humility, as if you don't

deserve to be used by the Lord. You're waiting for Him to tell your pastor (in the spirit) what your calling is, so you can receive a word of prophecy before you get started. But, Child of God let me warn

you, if He has already told you what you're to do, you'd better do it quickly. Otherwise, God will go out to the highways and byways and find someone else to take your place. You may be called right now, but if you don't respond, you'll never be chosen.

Abide in Your Calling

Nevertheless, brethren, I have written the more boldly unto you in some sort, as putting you in mind, because of the grace that is given to me of God...

(Romans 15:15)

Still on some points, I have written to you the more boldly and unreservedly

by way of reminder, [I have done so]

because of the grace—the unmerited favor

—bestowed on me by God (Romans 15:15

Amp)

Here, Paul says that I do what I do

because of what God has put on me,

placed upon me, given to me. In other

words, don't blame me for the manner in

which I'm writing to you because I've

been graced, equipped and anointed to

write to you as boldly as I do. I'm just

abiding in my calling. As you can see,

Paul has gotten the revelation that this

grace thing is more than just favor he

didn't deserve.

If He Called You, He Will

Equip You

1 Corinthians 3:10-11

According to the grace—the special

endowment for my task—of God

bestowed on me, like a skilled architect and master builder, I laid the foundation and now another [man] is building upon it. But let each [man] be careful how he builds upon it. For no other foundation

can anyone lay than that which is [already] laid, which is Jesus Christ, the Messiah, the Anointed One (Amp).

Even if you're not doing anything in particular just yet, you still have a task. It just may be that you have some things to go through before you're spiritually mature enough to carry out the plan God has for your life. Whatever you have to go through may come in the form of trials and tribulations, that are designed to teach you what you must know before you can go on to the next level. You know, gold is good, but it's better once it's been purified in the fire. " *That the trial of*

your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ." (1 Peter 1:7) When you come to the fullness of time, God can reveal your task. And, I believe in my spirit that it's about to be

revealed to those of you who have yet to find out their calling. Remember, God will not give you an assignment unless He also gives you the power, the anointing and the equipment to carry out that task. That's what Paul meant when he wrote, *"I can do all things through Christ,* (The Anointed One and His Anointing) *which strengtheneth me."* (Philippians 4:13)

Wait for the Power

Once you've heard from God, once you've gotten to the place where He can

speak to your heart and tell you what He's called you to do, you still have to be graced. Starting something without your God-given anointing or equipment to see it through, is like trying to drive a car without an engine. There's no power to accomplish the task. In Luke 24:49, Jesus

says to the disciples, *"And behold, I will send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye... until ye be endued with power from on high."* And, in Acts 1:8, *"But ye shall receive power, after that which the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth."* Child of God, that means don't go starting your auto repair business until you've been endued or infused with power. That scripture is telling you not to start the itinerant

ministry, or even the nail salon until you've been given the power to carry out the specific task God has given you. Be patient, be still, and wait for the Lord to equip you with the spiritual tools you need to succeed. Those who wait upon the Lord with patience, and in service to Him shall have the strength to tackle every situation and attain every goal in

life.

High Treason

Specific grace to perform your assignment is entrusted to you by God, just as He entrusted Adam to do what he was called to do in the Garden of Eden. But, Adam committed high treason, inasmuch as he failed to operate in that which God called him to operate. What's more, Adam is not the only traitor as it applies to abusing the gifts and callings of

God. Some of you have also committed treason. For example, if you've been blessed with a voice that has the power to soothe, comfort and prepare hearts to hear the Word, you're a traitor if you take this anointing outside the church. This gift has not been given to you so that you can leave church, cut a private record deal and get rich off the profits. The reason

some gospel music is so perverted today is that it has been taken out of the church, and allowed to operate independently of a pastor and local church. Music was designed by God to make the anointing available to the congregation. It was designed so that once the sower (pastor) started sowing the seed (the Word), there was enough anointing in the air to remove burdens and destroy yokes. You may have personally had your attitude

adjusted, or your heart softened by the voice of a man or woman of God anointed to minister through song. This anointing works to assist the seed of God's Word being planted and received in the soil of people's hearts. Once the heart is prepared, and the Word is sown and gets into the heart, folks are able to go home changed Why? Because the singing got people ready to hear, accept and act on the Word of God going forth from the

pulpit. If God has anointed you to sing, it is to sing under authority of a local assembly. When you try to exist outside of God's purpose, you prostitute the grace and it becomes what I call "greasy" grace. Yes, Amen. I know reading this stuff makes some folks uncomfortable, because they're being challenged in this area, but Lord knows it's the truth.

That's why it's necessary to hear from God and know what it is He would have you do to serve Him. I recognize the anointing on my life. I realize that it is not to be prostituted by the media, or by the world. That's one of the reasons I don't do interviews. This anointing on my life is for sinners who want to come out of darkness into the marvelous light, and believers who want to grow in Christ. I'm

anointed just for you, and I know it. This anointing is not to benefit myself, but is to be dispensed to you, imparted to you and put upon you. *"For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles, if ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward."* (Ephesians 3:2) *"Assuming that you have heard of the stewardship of God's grace [His*

unmerited favor] that was entrusted to me to dispense to you for your benefit." (Ephesians 3:1-2 Amp) The only reason God anoints you is so that you can dispense your gift to others. He blesses you so that you in turn can bless everyone else. When you're not dispensing your anointing, or abiding in your calling you're abusing the gift, or relegating it to use other than that ordained by God. " *And when James, Cephas, and John, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace that was given unto me, they gave to me and Barnabas the right hands*

of fellowship; that we should go unto the heathen, and they unto the circumcision." (Galatians 2:9)

There are those of you who are using your gift for worldly, secular reasons when you know in your heart that He has given you the grace to operate within the

kingdom of God. I'm sure you know who you are, but I'm equally sure that through prayer you can get past this stage. I'm praying that you will move beyond the point where you justify, make excuses, and do whatever you can to preserve your present position. God has called us all to be good stewards of the gift he has bestowed upon us. He has called us to manage the anointing properly to see that it is not used for purposes other than His own. Trying to justify what you do when you know that God has called you to operate for the Body does not set well

with God. Believe me when I tell you, He's not going to wait until you make up your mind to be obedient. He'll replace you because He doesn't have the time for you to work through your rebellion. He's got prophets on the other side of the land

who are meet, suitable, adaptable and ready for the Master's use. If I'm talking about you, make up your mind to obey God and get to the place He's calling you to be.

By the Grace of God

1 Corinthians 15:10

But by the grace of God I am what I am; and His grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I labored more abundantly than they all; yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.

You don't have to be out of place. God loves you so much that He has given you

a gift to make sure that you can do what He's called you to do. What He's given only to you makes you who you are. It has not been given to you in vain, because by that anointing of power and equipment, you are special in the eyes of

God.

Grace Versus Favor

As a matter of fact, you're so special that God is ever-ready to show you favor, as well as grace. They're different, but folks seem to misunderstand the subtle difference between them. Perhaps that's because there's such a thin line between the two. Some have taken liberty with the differences between them and have tried to use grace as a license to sin. Now, grace implies more than favor. The primary difference between the two is that grace first of all, is a free gift. Favor, on the

other hand is a kind act. When you have grace you have favor, but when you have favor you don't necessarily have grace. Let me explain. I can do you a favor, a kind act, and not necessarily have to give you a gift. But when I give you grace, I

have to give I you a gift, and that is a part of that favor. Have you ever had someone do you a favor? Did you get a gift each time? Favor can be deserved, earned or gained. Grace is the favor that you don't deserve, but favor is not the grace that you can't deserve. You can deserve, sow for, and confess favor. Grace is the power and equipment for ministry. That's the gift for you to do what you've been assigned or called to do. Favor is the power and the equipment in the time of need.

Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our

profession. For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.

Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need. (Hebrews 4:16)

You Can Do All Things

I thank the Lord that I walk in the favor of God, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost. That's a statement I make as part of my daily confession. I'm referring to favor in the time of need, that I can go to God and request through prayer—and get it! You can be graced to carry out your ministry, but you can also be graced, or find favor to help you get through and triumph over certain situations. When a need comes up, and you've been living right, and acting right and doing what

you're supposed to do, you can say Lord, You told me to run boldly to the throne that I may obtain. And, since a gift can't

be obtained only given, you know in this instance that the grace you'll receive is a gift from God in the time of need. Yes, we're saved by grace but we are not to use it as a license to sin, but as an opportunity to overcome.

In the Time of Need

Whatever you need, there is an anointing to handle every situation in your life. However, you've got to be faithful in order for that grace to operate in the time of need. You'll be faced with a need to accomplish something in your life that perhaps will challenge your experience and talent. However, you can't just pass it by and say that's not your calling, because God will grace you to

handle it. Especially if you're the only one available with a willing heart. Even if what's needed is far outside your specific

calling, God will anoint you to handle the job until the person who is graced to do the job, shows up.

Zechariah 12:10

And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications:

The Spirit of God said this to me: "I am about to pour upon the body of Christ, the Spirit of Grace. If my children make themselves available", God says, "I'll anoint them to do exceedingly, abundantly above all that they could ever think they'd be able to do. The spirit of grace is landing on those who will make themselves good stewards of the gift."

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You Can Gain Favor

Grace is favor, but favor is not necessarily grace. There are some things

you can do to get, earn and deserve certain favors from God in the time of need. And, grace in the time of need is different from grace as a gift of life.

Let us then fearlessly and confidently, and boldly draw near to the throne of grace—the throne of God's unmerited favor to us sinners; that we may receive mercy [for our failures] and find grace to help in good time for every need—appropriate help, and well-timed help, coming just when we need it. (Hebrews 4:16 Amp)

This grace in the time of need says that when you're in trouble, or when you're experiencing failure, or in need, God will allow grace to come into your life because He's easily touched by our

infirmities. He's a God that understands what you're going through. And, while

He recognizes that your gift may be the gift of prophecy, He also understands that at this moment in time you're in need of healing power to lay hands on a brother or sister. Your gift of grace to prophesy God knows, will not take their pain away. He knows that you need help, and that you need it right now. He appropriates help in time of trouble, showing favor and allowing the power, anointing and equipment to come into your life in the time of need. Just make sure that you don't mistake it as your grace for life.

Gifts and Callings of God

If you've been called to be a prophet, yet in the time of need, God allowed an anointing of healing to come over you, don't go out and start a healing ministry.

Because, when the need is met, the grace for that time is gone. And, that's where a

lot of people miss it. You can't earn the gift that God puts on you, but you can earn that anointing He puts on you in time of need. Besides, you're stuck with the gift of grace. For those of you screaming, "that's not scriptural," let's check The Book and find out if it is or not. The Bible says in Romans 12:29, " *For the gifts and callings of God are without repentance."* Which of course means, that He will not change His mind concerning what He has gifted you with from the foundation of the world, to carry out the task for which you've been born. True, sin in your life hinders the flow of the anointing, but God still will not change His mind about what He's called you to do. For the life of me, I can't understand why Christians are so hard on preachers who fall into sin. It's almost as if you want

to crucify them and kick them out of the pulpit for life. That's a bit drastic, especially since God is not about to change His mind about calling that man to preach. God is in the recycling business and practices forgiveness. Some of you Christians seem to be in the business of discarding whomever doesn't live up to your expectations. No matter what you've done, if you get rid of the sin, the flow of the anointing will return into your life. *"... Where sin abounded, grace does much more abound."* (Romans 5:20) Not that the Word of God gives you license to sin, as we've previously been led to believe, it just proves God's faithfulness to His children at times when they need Him the most.

Sea of Forgetfulness

God holds you accountable as a

steward, to see what you're going to do with the gift He's put on your life. I don't know about you, but I refuse to go to heaven with an unused gift. I'm going to take the wrapping paper off my gift, and I'm going to let it be seen throughout the world. I'm not about to stand before God at the judgment with a present that's never been opened or used for Him to say, "depart from me you worker of iniquity." And, while we're on the subject of judgment day, let me clarify something. Contrary to what you may believe, that is not the time when your sins will be brought up. You will not hear God say, "well, you committed this sin and repented, then you committed another sin and repented for it as well." No, Child of God. This is what God has to say about that sin of yours, *"... for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember*

their sin no more." (Jeremiah 31:34) He's

saying here that your sins are cast into the sea of forgetfulness, never to be remembered again. So, that which has been forgotten, is not going to brought up again on that day or any other day. That old mess that you've done, and repented for is gone forever. Unless you bring it up, you'll never hear about it from God or have him to talk about it again as long as you live. Glory to God! " *If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us of all unrighteousness."* (1 John 1:9) He throws your sin as far away as the east is from the west, and as you know those two directions will never touch. Your sins are then forgotten. God is not absentminded, but He chooses to settle the sin issue as soon as you ask forgiveness and repent. On Judgment

Day, God will talk to you about what you were put on earth to do. He'll talk about the anointing on your life, and whether or

not you were a good steward over that anointing. Then, crowns will be given to those who were good stewards over the gift they were given in order to benefit someone else's life. And, for the man who signed a recording contract with the world, instead of singing in the church choir where God graced him to be, he'll have to give an account. Why? Because God doesn't grace us to be used for the devil's purposes. God did not save you so the devil can get the glory. Don't allow anyone or anything to distract you, Child of God. Make sure that you do what God has graced you do.

His Grace Is Sufficient

God's grace is sufficient, competent,

able, qualified and enough to get the job done.

And lest I should be exalted above

measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure. For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me. And he said unto me My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. (2 Corinthians 12:7-9)

And to keep me from being puffed and too much elated by the exceeding greatness and the preeminence of these revelations, there was given to me the thorn, (a splinter) in the flesh, a

messenger of Satan to rack, and buffet and harass me to keep me from being excessively exalted. Three times I called upon the Lord and besought (Him) about this and begged that it might depart from me; But He said to me, My grace—My favor and loving-kindness and mercy are

enough for you, [that is sufficient against any danger and to enable you to bear the trouble manfully]: for My strength and power are made perfect—fulfilled and completed and show themselves most effective—in [your] weakness. Therefore, I will all the more gladly glory in my weaknesses and infirmities, that the strength and power of Christ, the Messiah, may rest—yes may pitch a tent [over] and dwell—upon me. (2 Corinthians 12:7-9 Amp)

He's talking about grace in the form of

earned favor in this instance, because it's help in the time of need.

Supernatural Strength

You know, most people think God puts His power on them so they can sit down and let grace do the work. No, you're still going to have to go through whatever you're going through, but He

says I'm going to give you strength to do what's hard for you to do within your natural ability. I'm anointing you with my "super" on your "natural" and you'll be able to do it right. You'll be able to accomplish supernaturally. You'll be able to stand. My grace will enable you to do whatever you have to do. "But Brother Dollar, if God really loves me, why do I have to go through all of that?" Look, as long as you come out, the only thing you should do is thank God you made it

through. Stop complaining about what you've had to go through, and start thanking God that you were able to get through it. Thank God we have the grace not only to go through, but to come out of whatever had us entangled. Praise God! The Amplified Bible says that you will be able to bear the trouble manfully, and not like some spiritual wimp or sissy. You won't be going through your situation

whining and crying the whole time, but you'll go through knowing that God has your back. So whenever you feel the need to open your mouth and cry about what you're going through, just ask God for favor to help you in the situation so you can go through it manfully. He's not going to take the problem away from you. How can you be more than a conqueror (Romans 8:37) if you don't have anything

to conquer? In the time of weakness and need, God pitches a tent and dwells over you to make sure you can endure whatever you've encountered.

Humility Brings Favor

The favor of God comes in handy when opposing forces are doing battle in your life. But the good news is if you're fed up with the devil ruining your life, there's something you can do to combat

the enemy. There are steps you can take to have God's favor smeared all over you, so you'll be in position to attain this ability you couldn't possibly have earned.

James 4:6

But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.

Proverbs 3:34

Surely he scorneth scorners, but he

giveth grace unto the lowly.

1 Peter 5:5

Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be subject one to another and be clothed with humility; for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble.

The first step is this:

1. You have to be humble, or in a

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position of humility

Submissive, compliant, obedient. Submitted to the plan, and to the instructions from the Word of God. Being humble is not being shy because shyness is a form of fear. Being humble is not being a person of a few words. We've gotten into false humility, where we go around saying, "Oh, I don't deserve this." We've come to the place where we'll say, "Oh Brother Dollar, I'm nothing but an

old, good for nothing, filthy rag." Well, shame on you, because I took a bath one day in the blood of Jesus, and I'm no longer a filthy rag. True Bible humility is a man who is obeying God's Word. It's a man who will submit to God. A man who will comply with the things of God. You see, submission is for our protection. And, God wants to protect us and He wants to bless us. He wants to show us favor, but

He can't do that for a prideful man. Now a prideful man, in his own conceit, relies more on his own ability and counsel and way of doing things. He doesn't rely on God's way, counsel or will. The Bible says, when a man is prideful God builds up resistance toward this type of individual. This man doesn't talk to God, doesn't consult God, and does things his own way. " *The righteous cry and the lord*

heareth and delivereth them out of all their troubles." (Psalm 34:17) He hears and delivers because the favor of God operates in the life of a humble man.

Favor Tied to Your Giving

Okay, so now you've been humbled through the Word of God. You fully understand that He'll give power to the humble, but you want the guarantee of favor in any need. The second way you

can earn or deserve favor is tied to your finances:

2. Become the giver god wants you to be.

The Word of God says if you'll keep your giving going, the Lord will make all grace available to you so that you'll lack nothing, and are sufficient in all things. You won't require any support, no aid, no welfare and no handouts from anybody.

You see, when they shut down welfare,
you just keep giving because God is able
to make all grace abound toward you,
and that's the solution to having your
needs met. Besides, no Child of God
should ever have to depend on a welfare
check anyway, not when they're giving
according to the Word of God.

But this I say, he which soweth
sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and
he which soweth bountifully shall reap

also bountifully. Every man according as
he purposes in his heart, so let him give;
not grudgingly, or of necessity; for God
loveth a cheerful giver. And God is able to
make all grace abound toward you; that
ye, always having all sufficiency in all
things, may abound to every good work.
(2 Corinthians 9:6-8)

[Remember] this, he who sows

sparingly and grudgingly will also reap sparingly and grudgingly; and, he who sows generously that blessing may come to someone will also reap generously and with blessings. Let each one [give] as he has made up his own mind, and purposed in his heart, not reluctantly or sorrowfully or under compulsion, for God loves, (that is He takes pleasure in, prizes above other things, and is unwilling to abandon or to do without) a cheerful, (joyous, prompt-to-do-it) giver—whose heart is in his giving. And God is able to make all grace (every favor and earthly blessing) come to you in abundance, so

that you may always and under all circumstances, and whatever the need, be self sufficient—possessing enough to require no aid or support and furnished in abundance for every good work and

charitable donation. (2 Corinthians 9:6-8 Amp)

Money Answers All Things

Ecclesiastes 10:19 says that *"A feast is made for laughter, and wine maketh merry, but money answereth all things."* But, is it the money that's answering all things, or the grace that abounds when you set your will to give? Money in this instance is the key that opens up the safe holding the grace, and when you get a hold of the grace, you've also got the anointing to answer any need. And here you are, letting the devil talk you into keeping your money in your wallet because you're afraid some preacher is secretly taking it.

You should never be afraid of that when God promises in his Word that money is what it takes to get in contact with the anointing. Woe be it unto any preacher

who misuses money sown for the work of the Lord, but you can't let the thought of someone's possible wickedness stop you from obtaining all that God says you can have. When you have seed in the ground, all grace is made available to you to be sufficient in all circumstances. Vengeance belongs to God, and He will repay if something is amiss in the church's money room. But, show me a man who operates in the favor of God and I'll show you a man who just keeps giving, and gives as God instructs him. Stop fussing about the money issue, and do what God is telling you to do with it, so the anointing can flow into your life. Obey Him so you can be debt free, healed, delivered, happy and enjoying life the way God wants you to.

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You Will Lack Nothing

Don't ever be offended when God

places it on your heart to give, especially if what He's telling you is more than you're used to letting go of. There can be no power, no anointing and no equipment to do anything when you allow yourself to be offended by the Word. Your giving is tied to so many things and can be a defense in time of trouble. When you sow in the will of God, for the purpose of God, then in Jesus' name you have a right to get a hold of every facet of grace available to you as a child of the King.

And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any of them that ought of the things which he possessed was his own, but they had all things common. (Acts 4:32)

Now the company of believers was of

one heart and soul, and not one of them claimed that anything which he possessed was [exclusively] his own, but everything they had was in common and for the use of all. (Acts 4:32 AMP)

Neither was there any among them that lacked; for as many as were possessors of lands, or houses sold them, and brought them the prices of the things which were sold, And laid them down at the apostle's feet; and distribution was made unto every man according as he had need. (Acts 4:34-35)

Grace was upon them richly because of their great giving. Their giving to others is exactly what enabled all needs to be supplied on each one's behalf.

A Time of Grace

This is a time of great grace. This is a

time when God is pouring out gifts to

men that are necessary to get us through these last days. Gifts necessary to give you the strength, resources and energy to fulfill His will in the earth, and make a mark on the lives of others than cannot be erased. And grace, one of the most misunderstood subjects in the Bible, is what it will take for you to accomplish the task. It is the means by which you are saved, justified, empowered, delivered and comforted. But, you cannot change the world, unless you first understand how and why you've been graced. You cannot make a mark on other folks' lives until you first understand the mark grace is designed to make on your own life, according to the Word of God.

Where once we were lost in our limited version of what grace actually is, we've found a source for change in our

lives. Instead of being blind to the power of grace, we now see it as an anointing to remove burdens and destroy yokes. Hallelujah! We understand that God has saved former wretches such as ourselves, that we may reach out to others. *"As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God."* (1 Peter 4:10)

You Must Be Born Again

But unless you're born again, you cannot begin to perceive the value of the grace God has bestowed upon you to establish His covenant, spread the gospel or do His will in the earth. In fact, unless you're born again this grace, this favor to help you accomplish, cannot be manifested in your life. It is the ultimate blessing, and priceless and invaluable to all that we do in life. Even if I wanted to, I

could not pay for the grace God has put on me to do what I was born to do—teach and preach the Word with simplicity and understanding. I didn't even know that I had this power upon me until I got born-again. Some of you have yet to discover what your gift, or your grace or your anointing is, but it's there. Your gift is already present, but until you make a habit of getting in His presence by reading and studying the Word, and maintaining the proper position by living a life of righteousness, you'll never know what your gift is.

For those of you reading this book who are not born again, listed on the inside back cover are the five steps to complete salvation—including information on water baptism and the baptism of the Holy Ghost with the

evidence of speaking in tongues. Walk

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yourself through these steps into the

kingdom of God and everlasting life.

Grace be to you and peace from God

the Father, and from our Lord Jesus

Christ. (Galatians 1:3)

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Complete Process of

Salvation

1. Admit/recognize that you are a sinner.

(Psalm 51:5)

2. Repentance. (1 John 1:9)

3. Confession. (Romans 10:9-10)

Father; in the name of Jesus, I confess

right now, and realize that I am a sinner. I

repent of all my sins. I make an 180-degree

turn away from all my sins. I change my

heart, I change my mind, I change my

direction and I turn toward Jesus Christ. I

confess with my mouth that God raised Jesus

from the dead, and I believe in my heart that Jesus is alive and operates in my life. I thank you Lord that I am saved, Amen.

4. Baptisms-Water/Holy Spirit (Matthew

3:6) (Acts 2:3-4, 38) (Acts 8:14-17)

5. Obedience to the Word of God. (1 John 5:3)

Seven Steps to Receiving the Baptism of the Holy Spirit

1. Understand that the Holy Spirit was poured out on the day of Pentecost. (Acts 2:38)

2. Salvation is the only qualification necessary for receiving the Holy Spirit baptism. (Acts 2:38)

3. Laying on of hands is scriptural. (Acts 8:17)

4. Explain to the candidate what to

expect. (Acts 19:6)

5. Disregard all fears about receiving a

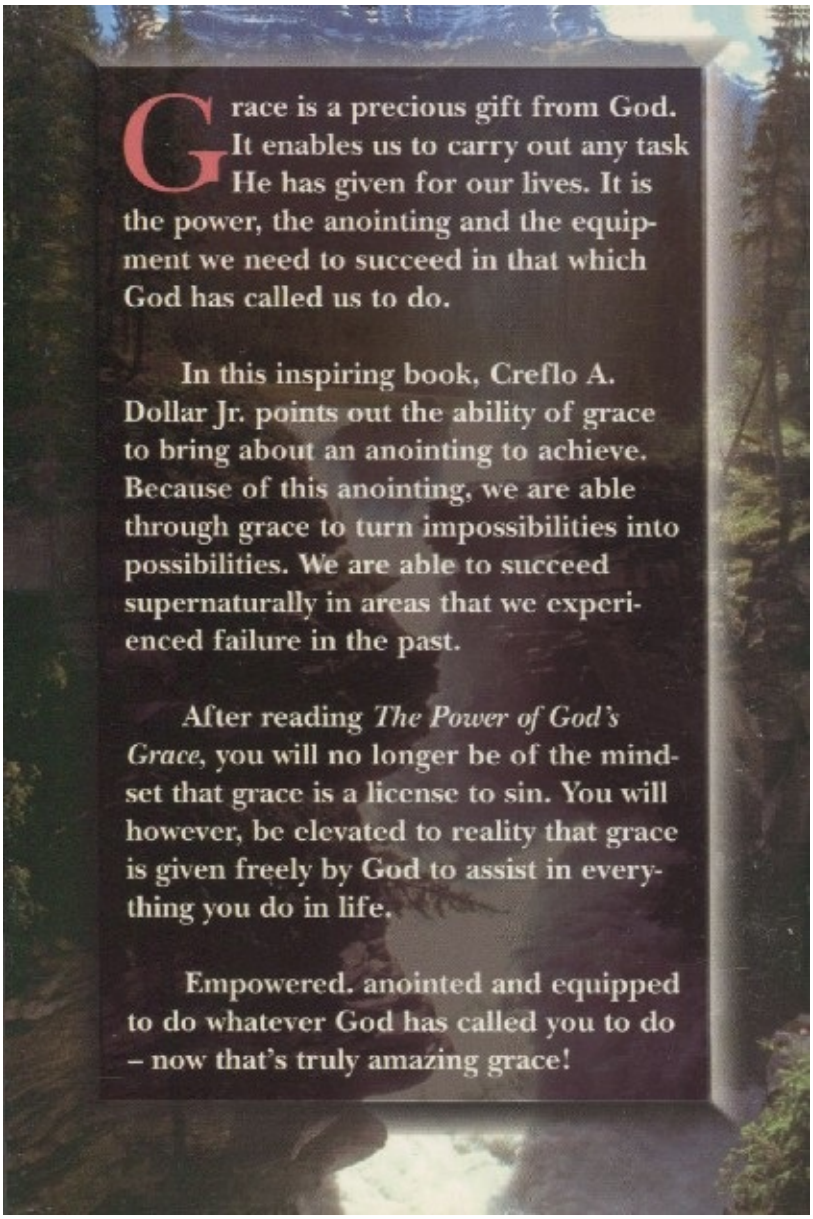
counterfeit. (Luke 11:11-13)

6. Open mouth as act of faith to receive

Holy Spirit. (Ephesians 5:18-19)

7. Don't crowd person or shout

instructions. (1 Corinthians 14:33)



Grace is a precious gift from God. It enables us to carry out any task He has given for our lives. It is the power, the anointing and the equipment we need to succeed in that which God has called us to do.

In this inspiring book, Creflo A. Dollar Jr. points out the ability of grace to bring about an anointing to achieve. Because of this anointing, we are able through grace to turn impossibilities into possibilities. We are able to succeed supernaturally in areas that we experienced failure in the past.

After reading *The Power of God's Grace*, you will no longer be of the mindset that grace is a license to sin. You will however, be elevated to reality that grace is given freely by God to assist in everything you do in life.

Empowered. anointed and equipped to do whatever God has called you to do – now that's truly amazing grace!

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