

April 28, 2024 – Do Not Receive the Grace of God in Vain

2 Corinthians 6:1 (NIV) "As God's co-workers we urge you not to receive God's grace in vain."

The Justified:

Romans 4:24-5:1-2 (NIV)

- Delivered to death for our sin and raised to life for our justification

The Chosen:

Ephesians 1:11 (NIV) "In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will,"

- Chosen in Christ and having been predestined. Preordained, foreordained.

Ephesians 1:4 (NIV) "For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love"

- Chosen in Him before creation. A predetermined outcome

1 Peter 2:9-10 (NIV)

- Chosen people, royal priesthood, Holy nation
- A people belonging to God. **Why? To represent Him.**

Children of God:

Galatians 3:26 (NIV) "So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith,"

- You are all sons (children) of God

1 John 3:1-2 (NIV)

- **Called** the children of God. **Now** we are children of God.

New Creation:

2 Corinthians 5:16-6:1 (NIV)

- We are a new creation who have received the **Ministry of Reconciliation**

Follow Jesus Today: Lord Jesus, forgive me for my sins. I open the door of my heart and I choose to make you the Lord of my life. Fill me with your Holy Spirit. Amen! **(Romans 10:9-10)**

Tithes & Offerings: Lamentations 3:22-23 "Through the Lord's mercies we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness."

My Prayer: As I give in today's offering, I rejoice in the faithfulness of God in and around my life. You have always watched over me, protected me, guided me and provided for me. You are faithful and I am grateful. In Jesus Name, Amen!