

Grace & Truth

Introduction #1
John 1:1,14

I. Understanding the concept

- A. Old Testament equivalents - Ex. 34:6
- B. Full and interdependent
- C. Truth without grace creates self-righteous legalism
- D. Grace without truth keeps people from seeing their need for Christ

II. Essential and Inseparable

- A. Most sinners loved being around Jesus
- B. The dilemma of accurately demonstrating grace and truth
- C. Spiritual DNA

III. What is grace?

- A. Grace = also translated as favor and thanks. That which affords joy, pleasure, delight
- B. Jesus took a hell He didn't deserve so that we could have a heaven we don't deserve
- C. God's grace is not about lowering His standards, it is about accepting the substitutionary work of His Son
- D. Grace is rooted in gratitude - Rom. 11:35
- E. Les Miserables & The Prodigal Son