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Fundamental Elements of The Christian Faith

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“Oh, that’s easy. It’s grace.”

- C. S. Lewis

World Religions

Some = DO

Some = DON'T

Christianity = DONE

Grace

What is Grace?

*Unmerited approval or favor;
mercy or pardon; a reprieve; a
special privilege or assistance.*

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What is Grace?

Charis (χάρις) – a free favor (gift) manifested by God toward man in the Gospel scheme.

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Foundational Truths

- **Grace is Free**
- **Grace is Received by Faith**
- **Grace Results in Salvation**

Grace

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- Romans 11:5-6 (Grace is GRACE!)
- Romans 6:14 (Grace is Greater)
- Titus 2:11-14 (Grace has Appeared)
- 2 Timothy 1:8-9 (Not Works, Grace)
- Acts 15:6-11 (Grace for All People)
- Genesis 6:5-8 (Grace to Noah?)
- Hebrews 11:7 (Grace by Faith)

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- 2 Corinthians 9:8 (Grace Abounds)
- Jude 3-4 (Perverting Grace)
- Hebrews 12:15 (Grace is Evident)
- 1 John 3:6 (Grace Transforms)
- 2 Corinthians 6:1 (Grace in Vain)

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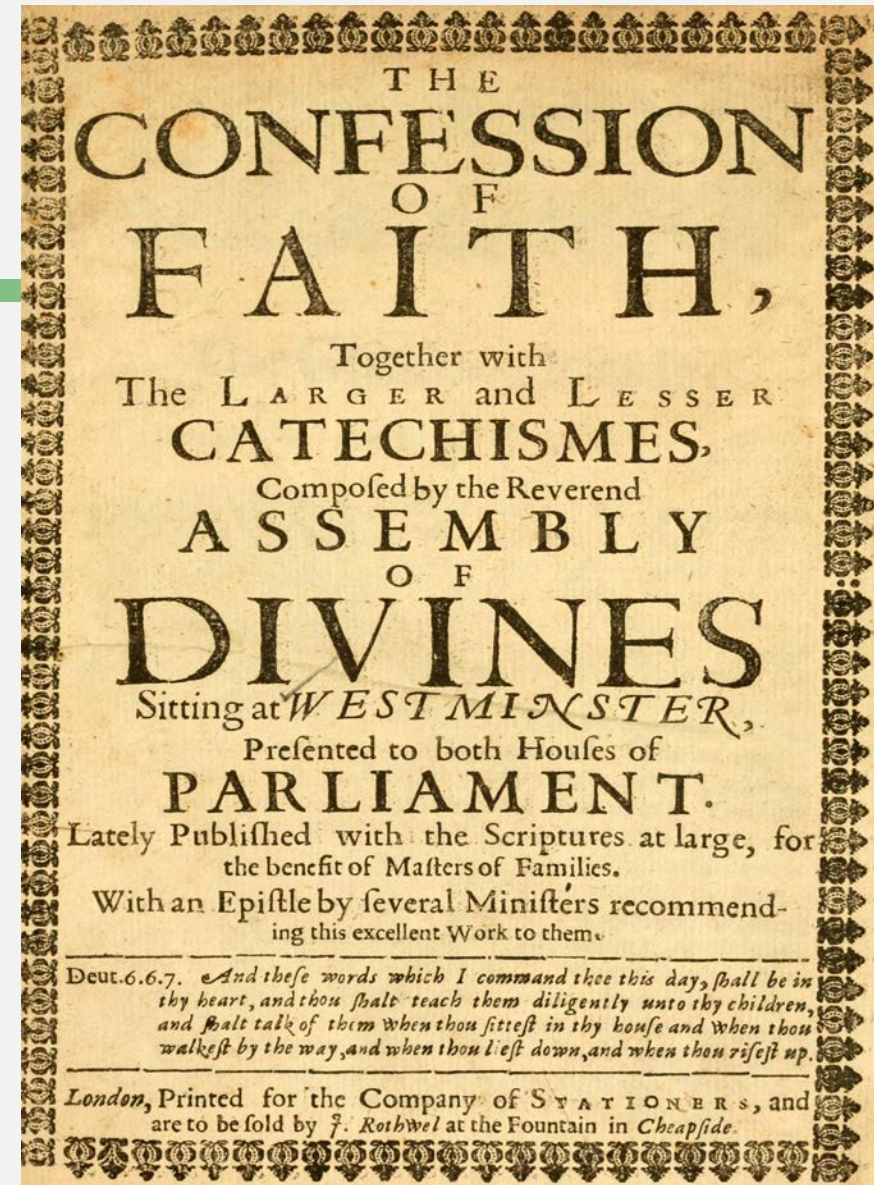
Being estranged from God and condemned by our sinfulness, our salvation is wholly dependent upon the work of God's free grace. God credits His righteousness to those who put their faith in Christ alone for their salvation, thereby justifies them in His sight. Only such as are born of the Holy Spirit and receive Jesus Christ become children of God and heirs of eternal life.



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- Chapter 14 “of Saving Faith”
- Chapter 18 “of the Assurance of Grace and Salvation”



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Q. 29 – How Can We Be Saved?

Only by faith in Jesus Christ and in his substitutionary atoning death on the cross; so even though we are guilty of having disobeyed God and are still inclined to all evil, nevertheless, God, without any merit of our own but only by pure grace, imputes to us the perfect righteousness of Christ when we repent and believe in him.

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“Let this be to you the mark of true gospel preaching - where Christ is everything, and the creature is nothing; where it is salvation all of **grace**, through the work of the Holy Spirit applying to the soul the precious blood of Jesus.”

– Charles Spurgeon

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