

Friday with Fred – October 20, 2017



### **Grace... It is a Gift from God**

Perhaps the most important theological term in the Bible is GRACE. You cannot live without it and you can do nothing to earn it. It is a Gift from our Glorious God. It is FREE.

I had the privilege of speaking this week at the Free Grace Alliance national conference in Arlington, Texas. I, along with two of my friends, presented a workshop on the importance of Grace and highlighted our new book: *A Defense of Free Grace Theology*.

It is difficult for most of us to accept the free gift of grace because we always want to be able to say, "I contributed to my salvation in some way either through baptism or going to church or doing some good acts." But the gift of eternal life is not dependent upon what I do for Jesus but on what He did for me. All I do is receive the gift and hopefully say thank you!

As Lewis Sperry Chafer declared:

Grace, as used in the Bible in relation to divine salvation, represents the uncompromised, unrestricted, unrecompensed, and loving favor of God toward sinners. It is an unearned blessing. It is a gratuity ... God saves sinners by grace. God keeps through grace those who are saved. Those who are saved, God teaches in grace how they should live and how they may live, to His eternal glory."

I was saved from the penalty of sin (Justification) by God's grace. I am being saved from the power of sin (Sanctification) by God's grace and I will be saved from the presence of sin (Glorification) by God's grace.

In light of these truths the apostle Paul would say, "To the praise of the glory of His grace!" What do you say to these truths? Praise Him, and then tell other people who need to hear about the Glorious Grace of the Gift of God.

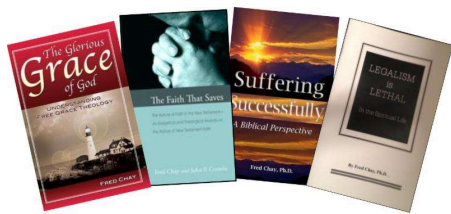
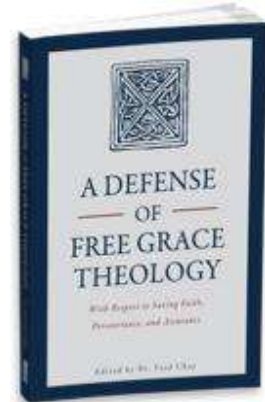
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Until He comes for us,  
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## New Resource!

### *A Defense of Free Grace Theology with Respect to Saving Faith, Perseverance and Assurance*

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