# AMAZING GRACE MESSAGE 1: A COVENANT OF GRACE [31 DECEMBER 2023]

#### • FOUNDATION:

- o 2 Peter 1:2
- o 1 John 5:4
- o Ephesians 2:8
- o Romans 5:17
- o Romans 5:1-2

#### I. Covenant of Grace

- a. A Covenant joins two parties together and brings the strengths and weaknesses of each into the other's situation.
- b. As the Body of Christ understands the power of Covenant Life with God, they will step out of weakness and defeat and into the Victories Jesus obtained for them.
- c. Hebrews 10:16-25
- d. Deuteronomy 7:9 = God is Faithful
  - i. Isaiah 54:10
  - ii. Jeremiah 32:40
  - iii. Ezekiel 36:26-27
- e. God's Covenant would ultimately bring God's influence and presence from dwelling among men to dwelling within men.
  - i. God's Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Grace: Hebrews 10:29
- f. The Power of this Covenant is no less than the Power of the Blood by which it was established.
- g. The Power of the Covenant of God comes by how much we allow God's Covenant Words to influence our thoughts, speech, and actions: all by Faith in God's Covenant Words.

## II. Grace by Faith Produces the Life that Jesus paid for, for the Body of Christ

- a. John 10:10 = the dividing line
- b. (Romans 8:11) [Modern King James] But if the Spirit of the One who raised up Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the One who raised up Christ from the dead shall also make your mortal bodies alive by His Spirit who dwells in you.
  - i. Luke 8:11 =God has places in the Body of Christ the Seeds of His Kingdom (through His written & preached word) and made us ALIVE in our Inner Man (Spirit) of the Heart.
- c. Ephesians 2:8

### III. Salvation is Wholeness in Every Aspect of Life

- a. Hebrews 4:1, 9-11
  - i. Fear = respect, honor, reverence
- b. Hebrews 4:3
  - i. God has already completed the necessary work for the Body of Christ to enter into His Peace & Rest.
  - ii. The Work was finished through the death, burial and Resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ
- c. We, the Body of Christ are to live by Grace, not by our own works and ambitions.
  - i. Ezekiel 44:18
  - ii. Genesis 3:17-19
- d. Matthew 11:28-30
- e. God's Covenant Words MUST become our Final Authority
- f. "Living by the Covenant of Grace in which God's strength is governing and directing you is the key to bringing Glory to Jesus and not yourself. Your part is to enter into God's works and learn the laws of God's Kingdom."
  - i. Dr. Dennis Burke; from his book: "Grace, Power Beyond Your Ability", page 15