

“Amazing Grace”

HELPFUL SCRIPTURES

SERMON NOTES

Psalm 32:1-5

Judges 21:25

Romans 12:1

I. Grace and Our Choices

A. Every Choice is Important

1. Having a Christ-like character & putting off sinful attitudes & actions involves a constant series of choices
 - a. For the choices we make develop moral habits which either bring us closer or further from our goal.

Romans 6:19

Galatians 6:8

- b. But what happens when we make the wrong choices, i.e. when we choose sin over obedience?!

1 Timothy 4:7

2 Peter 2:14

B. The Choice of Mortification

1. “Mortify” means, the choice to subdue by practicing self-denial or self-discipline.
 - a. In the spiritual realm we are putting *sin* to death.

Romans 8:13

Colossians 3:5

Romans 8:16

Ephesians 4:23

- b. Mortification is OUR responsibility!

Romans 8:13

2. How to put sin to death . . .

- a. It begins with the “choice” to obey God in every area of our lives.

2 Corinthians 7:1

- b. Every sin needs to be seen for what it truly is; an act of REBELLION AGAINST GOD!!!

Genesis 6:5-6

Psalms 51:4

- c. Put sin to death at the “Stage of Desire.”

James 1:14-15

1 Peter 2:11

Philippians 3:20

2 Corinthians 10:3-5

Romans 8:5-6

Philippians 4:8

- d. Acknowledge putting sin to death involves the struggle between our convictions (what we know to be right) and our choices (what we desire).

Galatians 5:16-17

3. Choices and Grace

- a. That God does not immediately destroy us when we sin is proof that God’s grace is at work.

Jonah 4:2

2 Timothy 2:1-2

CONCLUSIONS:

Members: John 13:34; Ephesians 4:32; Heb. 3:13; 10:24; James 5:16

Guests: Ephesians 2:8; Romans 10:17; Ephesians 1:13; Acts 2:38