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# GOD'S GOOD & PERFECT GIFT

James 1:17 | Luke 1:39-45

**HOW TO  
RECEIVE GOD'S  
GOOD AND  
PERFECT GIFT OF  
GRACE**

*(ZACHARIAH, ELIZABETH & MARY)*

**EPHESIANS 2:8-9**

**JOHN 1:10-14;  
16-17**

**LUKE 1:5-80**

## Ephesians 2 : 8 - 9

***<sup>8</sup> For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,***

***<sup>9</sup> not a result of works, so that no one may boast.***

## Luke 1:13

*13 But the angel said to him, “Do not be afraid, Zechariah, for your prayer has been heard, and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and **you shall call his name John.***

**John: God is gracious; Jehovah is a gracious giver**



## John 1: 12-14

- *<sup>12</sup> But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, <sup>13</sup> who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.*
- *<sup>14</sup> And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, **full of grace and truth.***

## John 1:16-17

- ***16 For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.***
- ***17 For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.***

# How to receive God's gift of Grace

**I. The good and perfect gift is from God above, and it is GOOD & PERFECT**

**(James 1:17)**

- **GOOD**: *pleasant, agreeable, joyful, happy excellent, distinguished, upright, honourable*
- **PERFECT**: *finished, wanting nothing necessary to completeness, mature*

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## 2. **God's good and perfect gift of grace is available for everyone** (*Titus 2:11-12*)

<sup>11</sup> *For the [remarkable, undeserved] grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men.* <sup>12</sup> *It teaches us to reject ungodliness and worldly (immoral) desires, and to live sensible, upright, and godly lives [lives with a purpose that reflect spiritual maturity] in this present age,*



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## **3. You can receive God's good and perfect gift of grace through Jesus Christ (John 1:12,16)**

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■ *<sup>16</sup> For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.*

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**4. Do NOT walk/work for God, BUT, walk before God and walk with God**

■ ***Zachariah & Elisabeth (Luke 1:6)***

■ ***Abraham (Genesis 17:1)\*\****

■ ***Noah (Genesis 6:8-9)***

■ ***Solomon (1 Kings 9:4-5)***

## Genesis 17:1

- **17** And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty God; **walk before me, and be thou perfect.**
- ***Perfect: Sincere, with integrity, blameless, whole, entirely***

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**5. Don't doubt God, and whenever/if you do, always be sincere with your doubts so that God can help you shut out every doubt**

- ***Zachariah (Luke 1:18-20)***
- ***Father of the possessed child (Mark 9:23-27)***
- ***Mary (Luke 1:34-38)***