

His Overflowing Grace, Kindness and Love

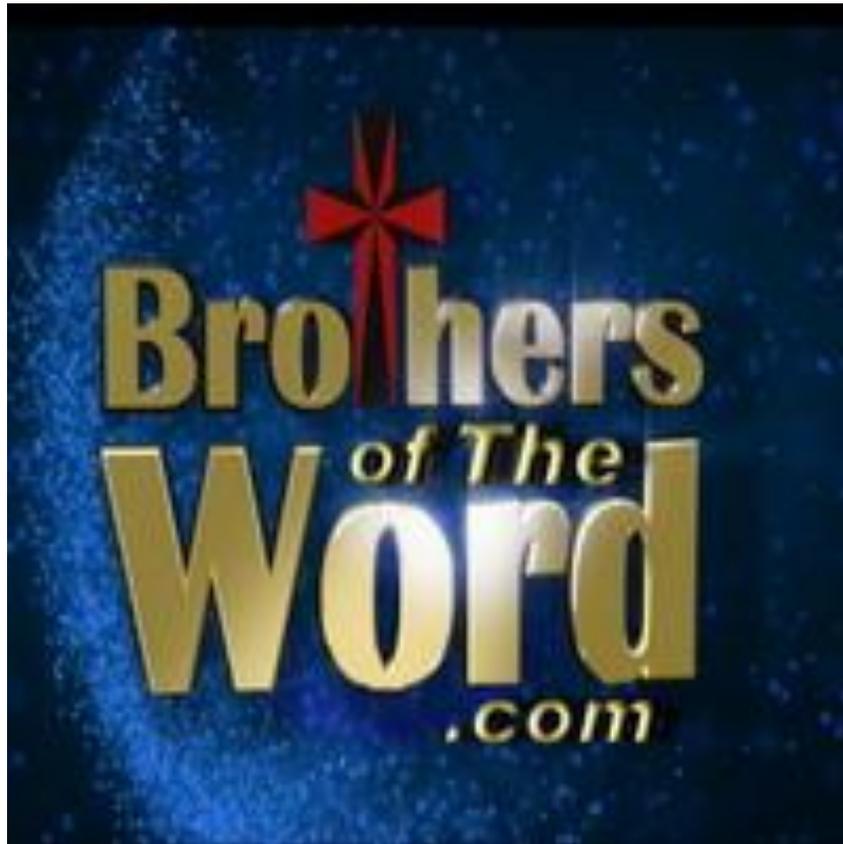
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And now for 7652, "His Overflowing Grace, Kindness and Love".

C. Elijah Bronner: Thank you for joining Brothers of the Word, because brother you need the word.

We welcome all of you joining us by television and those of you joining us online at brothersoftheword.com. Delighted to have you. Stay tuned to today's message.

I would like to read just a little humor. "I think I deserve a raise," a man said to his boss. "You know there are three other companies after me." "Is that right?" asked the manager. "What other companies are after you?" "The electric company, the phone company, and the gas company."

Well, I would like for you to open your Bibles to the Book of Titus, the Book of Titus in the New Testament towards the back of the New Testament right before the book of Hebrews, just a couple of books before the Book of Hebrews. You'll get into a small book there, Titus, only about three chapters, Book of Titus.

And I want to look at a couple of text here, Titus Chapter 2, Titus 2:11, and we'll also going to look at Titus 3:4-6, Titus 2:11 then Titus 3:4-6. Let's begin reading Titus 2:11. Let's read together there in unison. Ready? Read.

"For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men. The grace of God that brings salvation have appeared to all men."

Also, Titus 3, and we'll read verses 4 through 6. Let's read those together in unison.

“But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared, Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour.”

I just want to use that as a subject, “His Overflowing Grace, Kindness, and Love.” His overflowing grace, kindness, and love. His overflowing grace, kindness, and love.

When Jesus came to the earth, it was literally God pouring out upon the earth, flooding the earth with His grace, His kindness, and His love. The Bible actually says that God was personally present in Christ Jesus restoring the world to favor with himself. And so, when He came, He just flooded earth with grace, kindness, and love.

If you flip back to Titus in one of our text there, in Verse 6, notice what it says there, Chapter 3 Verse 6, it says, “Which he shed on us abundantly, abundantly through Jesus Christ our Lord.” This is not a sprinkle. This is not a sprinkle of grace. This is not a sprinkle of kindness. This is not a sprinkle of love.

In one translation it says, “He poured it out, He lavished it on us.” He poured it out and lavished it on us. Richly, poured it out and lavished it on us.

It’s an abundance. He poured it out in abundance. I remember this was a couple of Christmases ago, I was at a little holiday get-together with my wife’s family. And as we had gathered at the home and we were just having a little get together, a little family party for Christmas. My mother-in-law, she was going around serving some pecans. She had a little appetizer of pecans that she was serving the guest.

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She had a bag and there were no plates, there were no bowls, there were no napkins. So, she had nothing to serve with, so she just had a bag of pecans and she said, “Just cup your hands together and I’ll just pour them in your hands.”

And so, she went around and she just poured into the guest hands. When she got to me, she said, “Cup your hands together,” and she

began pouring the pecans and I said, "Okay, that's fine," and she kept pouring. I said as she poured a little while longer, I said okay that's good, and she kept pouring. And she just kept pouring and pouring and pouring and that's how God's grace is.

He has poured it out abundantly. Even when we thought it couldn't get any better, God poured even more. He poured even more. He poured even more out on us, so God has shed this, He has poured it abundantly on us, lavished it on us, richly poured it out. His grace, His kindness, and His love and He has poured it on us in abundance and guess what? It still doesn't diminish the supply that He has. It doesn't diminish His supply at all. So, He is not diminished, He pours it out profusely. This is why He pours it out so profusely because it doesn't diminish His supply. It doesn't diminish His supply of kindness. It doesn't diminish His supply of grace. It doesn't diminish His supply of love. He pours it abundantly, abundantly, abundantly out on us.

Let me read this to you. This is Ephesians Chapter 1. Ephesians Chapter 1:6-8. Ephesians Chapter 1 Verse 6:8. I want to read it in the Amplified Bible. Notice what it says, "So that we might be to the praise and the commendation of his glorious grace, favor and mercy, which He so freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him, we have redemption, deliverance and salvation. Through his blood, the remission, forgiveness of our offenses, shortcomings, and trespasses in accordance with the riches and the generosity of his gracious favor which he lavished upon us." He has poured out his favor, his kindness, and his love. His grace, kindness, and love. And so, it's an overflowing measure that God poured on us.

When Christ Jesus came to the earth, he flooded the earth with his grace, with his kindness and with his love. I want you to notice something in our text, Titus 2:11. Look at Verse 11 and I also want you to look at Chapter 3, Verse 4, but Titus 2:11. Notice what it says. "For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men -- and I want you to just take note of that word, "appeared," appeared. "The grace of God appeared, appeared to all men." Also look at Titus 3:4, notice this, "But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man--" there it is again, "appeared", appeared. So, grace, kindness, and love appeared. It was Christ Jesus. He appeared. In physical form, grace, love, and kindness took on physical flesh and appeared. It appeared. It appeared, so God shows up in visible

physical form. He embodied, He personified kindness, grace, and love.

If you could take kindness and grace and love and put it in a body, it was Christ Jesus. He showed up in physical form and became flesh and dwelt among us. That's an awesome, awesome thought that for so long people under the old covenant, they never saw God. They never saw God. God was mysterious, they knew He was powerful. He was mysterious yet He was somewhat undiscovered or He was somewhat unknown in a sense. And so, there was a lot of curiosity as to who He really was. That's why even Moses cried out. Moses said, "Lord show me something. Moses had been hearing a burning bush and hearing you know from the thunder and the lightning, he had been hearing his voice come out. And so, Moses finally said, "Hey, Lord show me something. I want to see you. Show me your glory. Show me yourself."

So, the people in the Old Covenant, they never saw God. Now, there were some times they got close. There were three or four instances they got close to seeing God but it was almost a little tease. It was just a tease. God put on a tease but he never showed them, He never revealed himself fully, but He just gave them a little tease.

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In one instance in Deuteronomy, the elders of Israel, they caught a glimpse of God's glory and the Bible describes that they saw under His feet. It was as it were a body of clearness. It was heaven like, it was a sapphire, it was a bluish sky color. And they were describing what they were seeing under His feet. Now they couldn't describe Him, they only could see what He was standing on. He as standing on this heavenly body and they were describing it to the best of their ability but they couldn't see Him because all you can see -- man, I'm having a hard time even describing it.

So, that was what God was in the Old Testament. He was hard to describe because nobody could really see Him. If you caught a glimpse of Him, really all you were seeing was His glory. You are seeing the glory coming off of Him. You were seeing His glory. He was coming in glory. They saw Him a couple of times in the

Jesus came, until Jesus came, until Jesus came. And so, you'll know God comes down. He comes down. He comes down. He comes down.

The writers wrote about it over in 1 John. They say, we have handled Him, we have handled Him, we have seen Him. We have heard Him. We have handled eternal life itself. We have handled Him. We touched Him. We can say that our fellowship was with Him. This is what Jesus did, this is what Jesus did. God came down. God came down. Finally, finally, finally, finally after centuries of no one seeing Him, after centuries of no one seeing, He comes down. He comes down.

John says, He was full of grace. He had the glory -- His only begotten of the father. Full of grace and truth and then he goes on to say in Verse 16, "And of his fullness, we have received all the grace of God, all the kindness of God, all the love of God appeared in the embodiment of Christ." He shows up, he shows up, he shows up, John 1 says, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." Verse 14, "And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us."

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God stepped out of eternal life. He stepped out of eternity. He stepped out of eternity.

The Book of Micah prophesied of His coming. He says, "All of Bethlehem of Ephrathah, out of you will come a governor who will govern my people. Who's going forth are from old." It was the oldest baby man had ever seen. This baby had been around from everlasting to everlasting. The everlasting one stepped into earth and revealed himself finally to man.

I don't think it was a chore, a drudgery for God to come down. I believe God can't wait to get here. One translation says, "He pitched his tent and dwelt among us." He was happy to come here to see His man because He loves man so much. In fact, the angels asked, they said, "Lord what is man that you're so mindful of him and that you visited him? Why did you go down? Why did you go visit him?" The angels can't even comprehend the love that God has for mankind. The love that God has for mankind is the love that's incomprehensible. It's incomprehensible. The love that God has to us and for us is incomprehensible. He loved us so

much that He came down himself. Paid the price for our sins, took places with us, died on our behalf so that we can be made righteous and we can be brought into His family so that we can be sons and daughters of God.

Praise God, praise God. He loves us so much. He loves us so much. He loves us so much. He loves us so much and out of His fullness, His abundance, we have all received.

Let me read this, this is in John 1. John 1 in the Amplified Bible Verse 14. We actually saw His glory, His honor, His majesty. Such glory as an only begotten son receives from His father, full of grace, favor, lovingkindness, and truth. Notice what He's full of. Full of grace, lovingkindness and truth. In Verse 16, "For out of His fullness, out of His fullness, abundance, we have all received." Out of his fullness, he was full of grace. He was full of love. He was full of kindness. "Out of his fullness, we have all received." All had a share and we were all supplied with one grace after another and spiritual blessing upon spiritual blessing.

And even favor upon favor and gift heaped upon gift. Glory to God. That's a heap of gifts. He said we have received favor upon favor, grace upon grace, grace after grace, favor after favor, blessing after blessing and then gift heaped upon gift. You thought you had a lot of gifts under your tree? We have received gift heaped upon gift of His fullness, we all. Everybody says, "We all of his fullness." We all, we all have received of his fullness. Of his fullness, we all have received this grace. This is that grace that forgives us, this is that grace that's forgives us.

Folks, I like the way Titus really explained this. Titus said, "This didn't come by anything you did. This didn't come by anything you did. This is not by your own righteousness, by your own work. It's not by your own righteousness, not by your own works. It's the grace of God. It's a gift, it's a gift, it's a gift, it's a gift, it's about the grace of God, we have received His love, His kindness, and His favor. It's a gift. You can't work for it. You can't work for it. It's a gift.

It's when you simply put your faith in Him and say, Lord Jesus, I come to you, I have sinned, I ask you to forgive me and I receive your grace. I receive your love; I receive your kindness. We simply receive. We receive righteousness from Him. We receive

His righteousness. We receive His righteousness. Not a righteousness you can work for, you can't work for this. We receive His righteousness the same way Jesus became sin for us.

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Jesus didn't sin. Jesus did not sin to become sin. He simply received our sin. He became sin. Same way, we did know righteousness to become righteous. We received His righteousness and it makes us righteous. It's the righteousness of God.

That's a gift, that's a gift. It's a gift of His grace, it's a gift of His mercy, it's a gift of His love, it's a gift of His kindness. I am the righteousness of God and Christ Jesus because I've received the gift. I've received the gift. I've received the gift. I've received the gift. I'm loved by the father because I received the gift. The father is kind to me because I've received the gift. The father loved me because I've received the gift. It's a gift. It's a gift. It's a gift. It's a gift. I received the gift. It's a gift. It's a gift. It's a gift. I'm loved by God because it's a gift. God's good to me because it's a gift. God's good to me because it's a gift. It's a gift. It's a gift. I'm righteous because it's a gift. I'm righteous because it's a gift. I'm righteous because it's a gift. It's a gift.

Titus said, "You can't work for this. You can't work for this, it's the mercy of God that give you this. He gives you his loving kindness, He gives you His grace. He gives you His righteousness. It's a gift. He paid the price. He exchanged places with. It's a gift. It's a gift. God loved the world so much He gave us His only begotten son. He gave Him as a gift. He's a gift. All you have to do is receive the gift. Receive the gift. Receive the gift. Stop trying to work your way righteous., it's not a work, it's not a work. It's receiving by faith and what Christ Jesus has done, what he has done. It's a gift about what he has done.

It's an impartation of rightlessness. It's an impartation of rightlessness. Folks, I've been washed in his blood. I've been washed in his blood. It's the gift of righteousness. It's the gift of

righteousness. It's the gift of righteousness. It's the gift of righteousness. I did nothing to earn it. I didn't deserve it but he gave it to me as a gift. He gave it to me as a gift. That's the good news of the gospel. God has given the gift. He has given the gift. He has given the gift. He has given the gift.

AV, I'm going to ask you to play this. I brought a prayer song. I want us to sing if you all are able to pull it up. It's a beautiful song. My daughter gave it to me. My daughter turned me on to this several few months ago and I've been using it on my prayer time. Everybody stand, I just want you to worship the Lord. I just want you to worship the Lord and love on Him. Love on Him and let Him love on you. I want you to receive the grace. Receive the kindness, receive the love. Let it fill you to overflowing. Let it fill you. Just lift your hands and worship Him and I just want you to listen to the song and just let His grace, let His kindness, let His love, let it feel you to overflowing. Let it fill you, let it fill you up. Just let it fill you up. Let it fill you up. Let it fill you up. Just let it fill you up.

This is grace, this is kindness, this is love, let it fill you. Just let it fill you. Just receive his love.

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I'm going to go ahead and dismiss you. They're going to let the recording continue to play. It's about another 20 minutes long, so if you want to stay in the sanctuary as you talk and mingle and just listen to the beautiful music, they're going to let it play but I'm going to go ahead and dismiss you. Merry Christmas and God bless you. Lord we love you and we praise you. We rejoice in you. Thank you for the gift of your son. Thank you for salvation. Thank you for our righteousness. In Jesus name we pray, let every heart say amen. God bless you. Amen.

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