INTRO: The basic meaning of the Greek word translated “grace” is: the friendly disposition from which a kindly act proceeds; loving-kindness.

I. MAN IS IN NEED OF SALVATION.  
Rom. 3:10, 23; John 8:21, 24; Rom. 6:23; Jer 10:23

A. Saul of Tarsus. Acts 23:1; 24:16
I thank Christ Jesus our Lord who has enabled me, because He counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry, altho I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, & an insolent man; but I obtained mercy because I did it ignorantly in unbelief. (1 Tim 1:12-13).

B. Cornelius. Acts 10:2, 22; 11:14

II. IN WHAT FORM DOES GOD’S GRACE APPEAR TO US?
[Paul & Barnabas stayed in Iconium] a long time, speaking boldly in the Lord, who was bearing witness to the word of His grace... (Acts 14:3)

And now brethren, I commend you to God & to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up & give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified. (Acts 20:32).

Gen. 6:8, 13; Titus 2:11-12

III. IN ORDER TO APPROPRIATE HIS GRACE, WE MUST OBEY HIS TEACHING. Matt. 7:21-23; Heb. 5:9

F-R-C-B Heb 11:6; A 17:30-31; Matt 10:32; Acts 22:16

But grow in grace & in the knowledge of our Lord & Savior Jesus Christ. (2 Peter 3:18).

READ 2 PETER 1:5-11

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