

The Scandal of Grace

Ridiculous Grace

April 14, 2024

Notes

Questions for Personal Reflection and Group Discussion

1. Read Lamentations 3:22-23.

What facets of God's grace do you find in these verses and how are they described?

In what ways have you experienced these limitless qualities of God's grace toward you?

Do you ever find yourself reluctant to extend those gifts of grace to someone else? Why is that?

2. Read Luke 7:41-49.

What is sin? How would you define it?

How has God's forgiveness impacted you?

Is there anyone in your life you struggle to forgive?

3. Read Psalm 51:1-6 and Isaiah 64:6.

Who are we sinning against when we fail to extend the gifts of grace to another? To whom do you struggle to give grace? Why is that?

When was the last time you recognized and were wrecked by your sinfulness?

4. Read John 13:34.

How have you experienced the love of God in your life?

How have you loved others as God loves you? What does that look like? Is there anyone you resist loving like that? What does love require of you?

5. Read Colossians 3:5 and 12-14.

In what ways are the sins listed in verse 5, evidence of a lack of love?

What do verses 12-14 tell us about what love lived out should look like? In which of these areas do you need to grow?

6. Read Ephesians 2:4-10.

What stands out to you in this description of God's grace? How can you give *that* kind of grace away, even to those who are hard for you to love?