

WHAT DOES THE LORD REQUIRE OF YOU?

RESPONDING TO GOD'S LAVISH GRACE

Sermon Questions

1. Why would God remind his people of their sin? _____
2. List the three ways in which God lavished his grace upon Israel after their terrible sin?
 - i. He reestablished the _____.
 - ii. He continued the _____.
 - iii. He reiterated the promise of the _____.
3. People are “shocked” today that God doesn’t show grace to everyone. We should be shocked that God shows grace to _____.
4. How does Ephesians 1 describe God’s grace? _____
5. List the four “required” responses to God’s lavish grace in Deuteronomy 10:12ff:
 - i. Loving _____
 - ii. Softened _____
 - iii. Godward _____
 - iv. Faithful _____

Discussion Questions

1. Moses reminded Israel of God's repeated mercy after their terrible sin with the golden calf — renewing the covenant, continuing the priesthood, and reaffirming the promise of the land. Where in your own life have you seen God show you "grace upon grace" even when you didn't deserve it? How does remembering these moments affect your view of God and yourself?
2. The sermon emphasized that the right response to God's grace is loving obedience — fearing, walking in his ways, loving, serving, and keeping his commands. Which area of obedience is God currently calling you to grow in? What might "loving obedience" look like practically in your home, work, or relationships this week?
3. God calls his people to "circumcise the foreskin of your heart" and stop being stubborn, and then to imitate him by showing justice, mercy, and love to the vulnerable. Where do you tend to have a stubborn or hardened heart toward God or others? How can we better imitate God's character in the way we treat people who are different from us or difficult to love?
4. In response to God's faithfulness, we are called to hold fast to him and give him our complete loyalty. What competes for your ultimate loyalty or affection right now? How can we cultivate deeper loyalty to God in a culture that celebrates shifting commitments and self-first living?
5. What was your most significant take-away from this passage and sermon?

Discussion Questions for Children

1. The Bible tells us that the people of Israel did something really bad by making a golden idol, but God still forgave them and showed them love. Can you think of a time when you did something wrong and God (or your parents) showed you kindness and forgiveness instead of punishment? How did that encourage you to do what is right the next time?
2. God wants us to love him, obey him, have soft hearts (not be stubborn), and be kind like he is. What is one way you can show love and obedience to God this week at home? (*Examples: helping your brother or sister without being asked, telling the truth, being kind to someone who is left out, etc.*)