

By Grace Alone

EPHESIANS 2

11 For as the LORD hath redeemed Jacob, and ransomed him from the hand of every strong one,
12 Therefore they shall sing and shall say, The LORD hath redeemed Jacob, and ransomed him from the hand of every strong one.

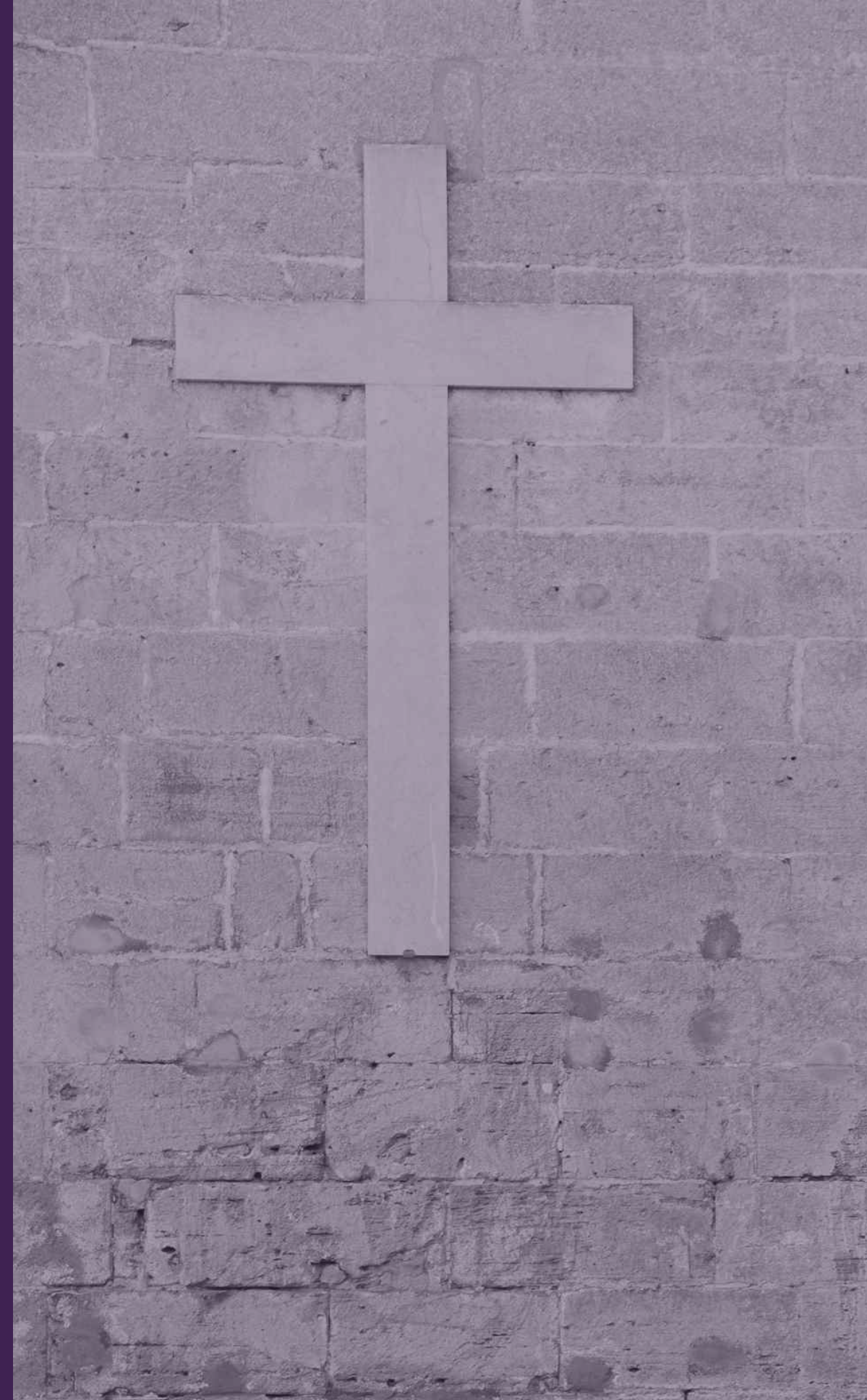
"THE 5 SOLAS"

Salvation By Grace Alone
Through Faith Alone
In Christ Alone
According To Scripture Alone
To The Glory Of God Alone

SALVATION BY GRACE AND NOT MERRIT

8 For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, 9 not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

-Ephesians 2:8-9



MERIT



"quality of being good or worthy"

Based on one's value, be it inherent or resulting from works of man

Gives glory to man

Never enough

vs.

GRACE



"unmerited favor"

Rooted in the character of God and the work of Christ

Gives glory to God

Always enough

ROMAN
CATHOLIC
COUNCIL
OF TRENT
FALSE
TEACHING

"If any one saith, that, after the grace of Justification has been received, to every penitent sinner the guilt is remitted, and the debt of eternal punishment is blotted out in such wise, that there remains not any debt of temporal punishment to be discharged either in this world, or in the next in Purgatory, before the entrance to the kingdom of heaven can be opened (to him); let him be anathema." -Canon 30

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CANON 9: denies salvation by grace alone

CANNON 12: denies salvation by faith alone

CANON 14: denies salvation by faith alone

CANON 23: denies security in Christ

CANON 24: affirms meritorious works

CANON 30: denies salvation by grace alone

CANON 33: disagreement is damnation

"PROTESTANT"
FALSE
TEACHING

"The cross to me isn't the revelation of my sin, the cross is actually the revealing of my value." -Todd White

"...May I say it like this? You are a little god on earth running around" ~ Benny Hinn

"A positive attitude gives you power over your circumstances instead of your circumstances having power over you." ~ Joyce Meyer

"PROTESTANT"
FALSE
TEACHING

"A culture of honor is celebrating who a person is without stumbling over who they're not." ~ Bill Johnson

"In dealing with people for several years. Thousands of people. One thing I can tell you is that 99.9% of people are not bad people. They may make bad choices, but deep down they've got a good heart." - Joel Osteen

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And you were dead in the trespasses and sins 2 in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— 3 among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind

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But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, 5 even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with

Christ—by grace you have been saved— 6 and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the

heavenly places in Christ Jesus, 7 so that in the

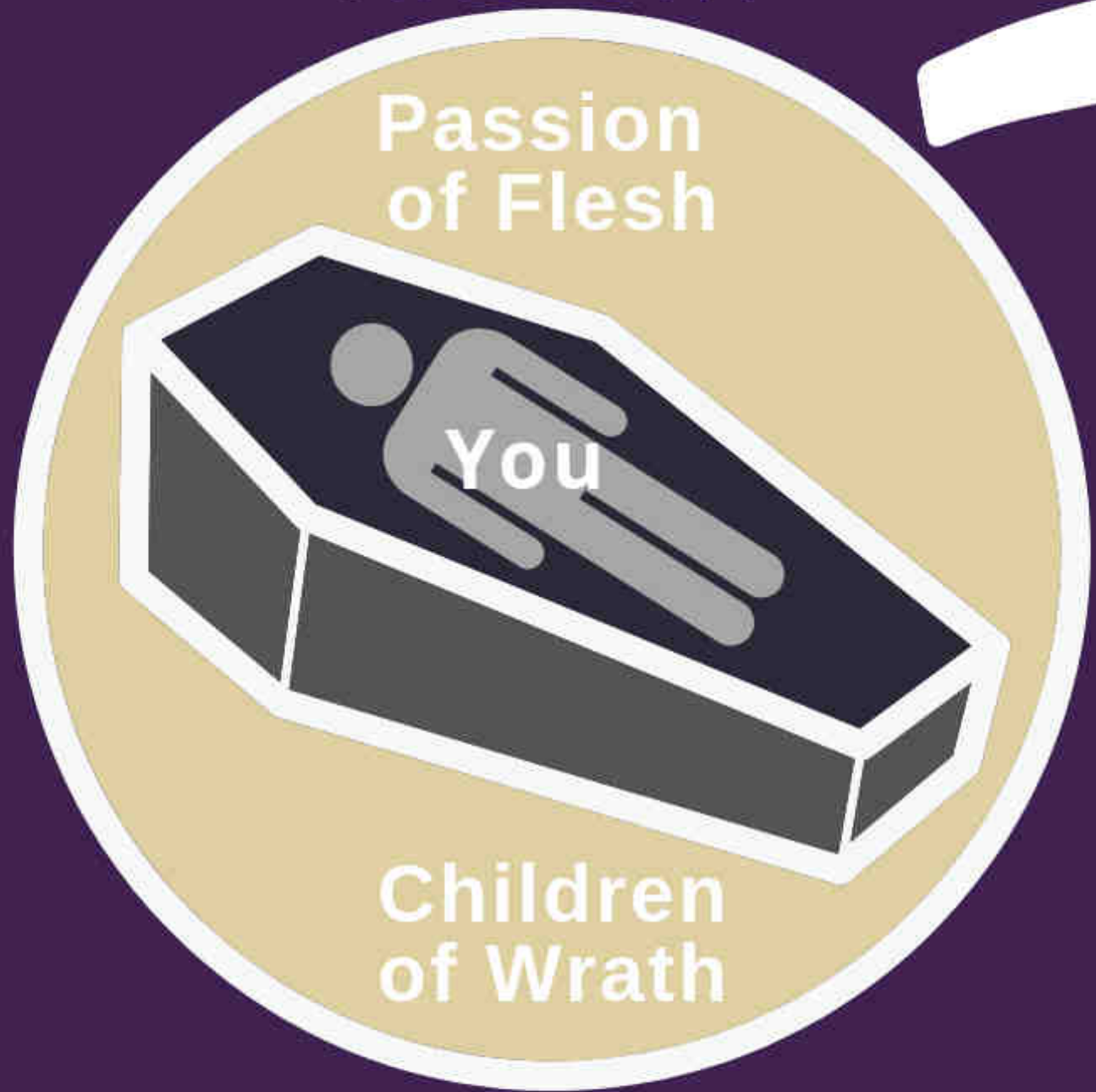
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8 For by grace you have been saved through faith.

And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, 9 not a result of works, so that no one may boast. 10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

THERE WAS NO GOOD IN YOU BEFORE CHRIST

- **Romans 3:23** *for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.*
- **Psalms 51:5** *Look, I was guilty of sin from birth, a sinner the moment my mother conceived me.*
- **Jeremiah 17:9** *The human mind is more deceitful than anything else. It is incurably bad. Who can understand it?*
- **Romans 3:10b-11** *None is righteous, no, not one; no one understands; no one seeks for God.*

THE POINT OF SALVATION IS TO SHOW GOD'S GOODNESS (NOT YOURS)

*So that in the coming ages he might show the
immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness
toward us in Christ Jesus.*

-Ephesians 2:7



ROMANS 5

6 For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. 7 For one will scarcely die for a righteous person— though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— 8 but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

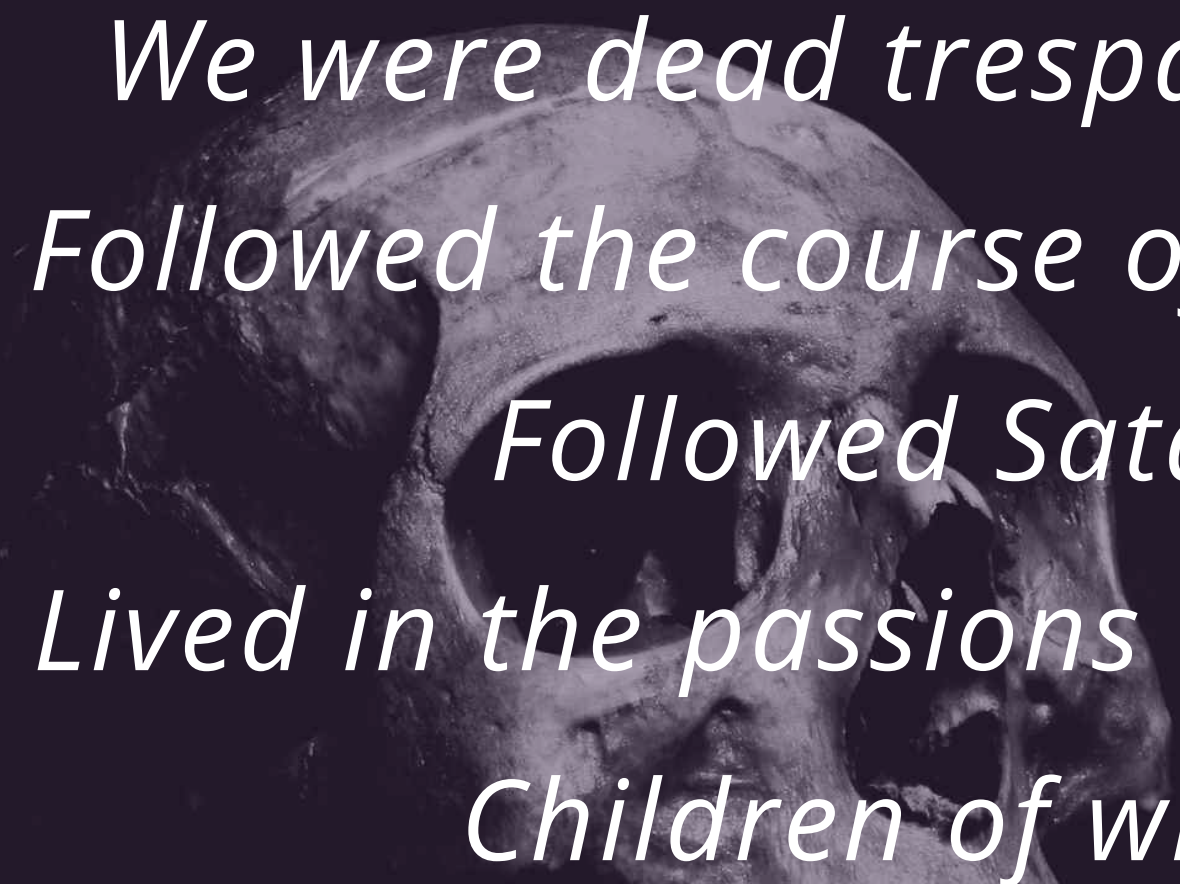
1 TIMOTHY 1:15-16

It is a trustworthy statement, deserving full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, among whom I am foremost of all. Yet for this reason I found mercy, so that in me as the foremost, Jesus Christ might demonstrate His perfect patience as an example for those who would believe in Him for eternal life.

*Rich in mercy
Has great love toward us.
Made us alive
Saved us by grace
Seated us in the heavenly
Immeasurably gracious
and kind*

WHAT DOES THIS
SAY ABOUT GOD?

WHAT DOES THIS
SAY ABOUT US?



*We were dead trespasses/sins
Followed the course of this world
Followed Satan
Lived in the passions of our flesh
Children of wrath*



WHAT DO WE
NEED TO DO IN
RESPONSE?

ROMANS 6:23

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

SALVATION IS A
FREE GIFT, NOT
BASED ON THE
MERRIT OF THE
RECIPIENT.

REPENT AND BELIEVE

- **Repent** of your sin and declare Jesus your Lord.
- **Believe** in the atoning death and resurrection of Christ for the payment of your sin.

9 because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

-Romans 10:9-10