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The Gospel of Grace — I Will Restore the Years the Locust Has Eaten



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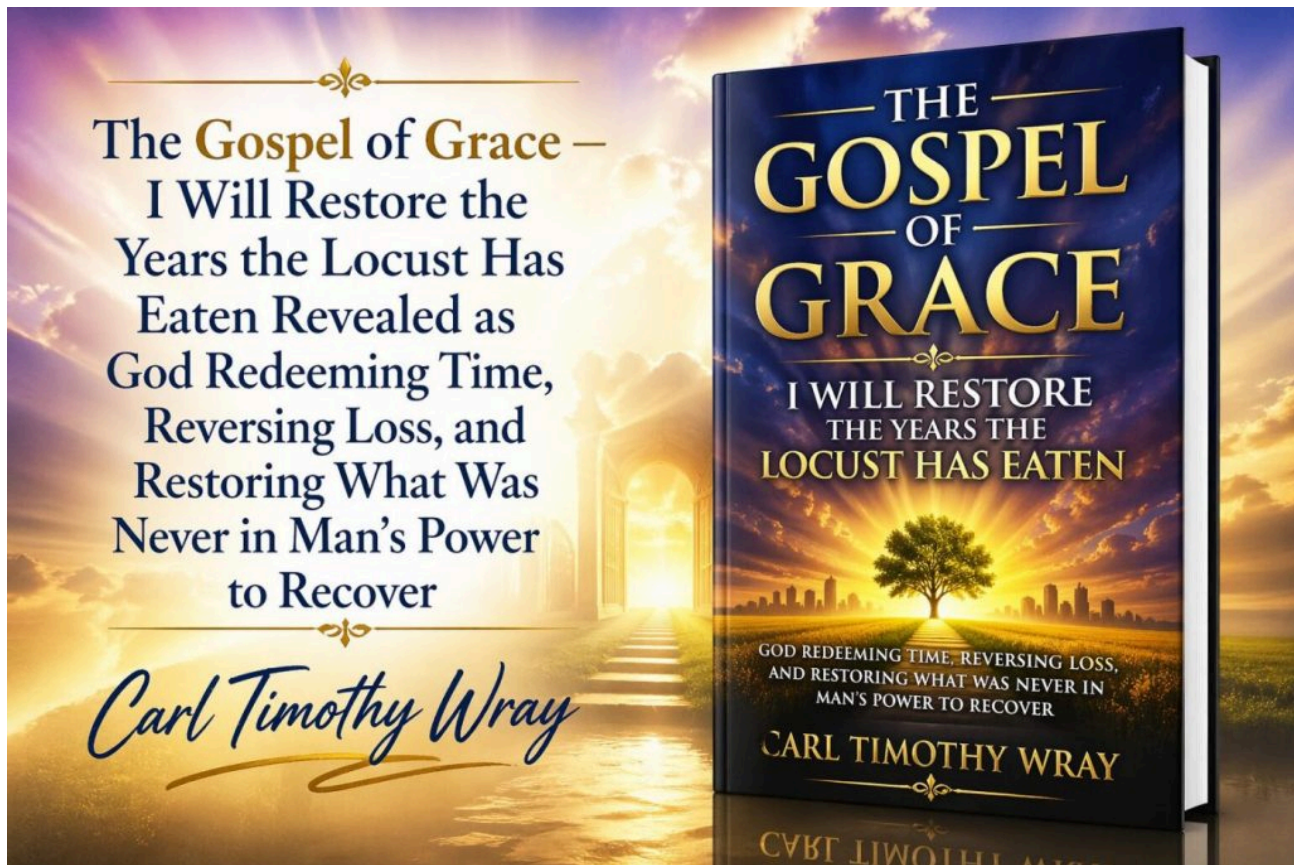
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The Gospel of Grace — I Will Restore the Years the Locust Has Eaten reveals how God redeems lost time, restores what was consumed, and brings fullness where there was once lack. Rooted in Book of Joel 2:25, this teaching unveils that restoration is not earned by human effort but flows from the finished work of Christ. Discover how the [Gospel of Grace](#) restores years, heals loss, removes shame, and manifests divine increase beyond what was taken.



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🔥 The Gospel of Grace: INTRODUCTION

There are seasons in life that don't just feel difficult...
they feel **taken**.

Time passed—but nothing seemed to grow.

Effort was poured out—but nothing remained.

Years slipped by, and when you look back, it feels like something was consumed that you can never get back.

Not days.

Not moments.



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And just when the weight of that realization settles in, the Lord speaks a word that breaks the entire narrative:

“I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten...” — Book of Joel 2:25

This is not a suggestion.

This is not a possibility.

This is not dependent on your ability to recover what was lost.

This is **the Gospel of Grace**.

A Gospel that does not tell you to go back and fix your past...

but reveals a God who has already gone before you, behind you, and through time itself to restore what you could never reclaim.

This is where grace steps beyond forgiveness and into **restoration**.

Not partial restoration.

Not symbolic restoration.

👉 **But the redemption of time, the reversal of loss, and the manifestation of a life that looks nothing like what was taken.**

Because in the Gospel of Grace...

👉 What was consumed does not have the final word.

👉 What was lost is not the end of your story.

👉 And what you could never recover... God has already restored.



CHAPTER 1 — The Promise of



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Restoration

(Joel 2:25 Revealed Through the Gospel of Grace)

The Word That Breaks the Narrative of Loss

There is a word from God that interrupts every story of loss, delay, and destruction.

It doesn't negotiate with your past.

It doesn't analyze what went wrong.

It doesn't ask you to rebuild what was taken.

It simply declares:

| *"And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten..."* — Book of Joel 2:25

This is not a suggestion.

This is not a conditional promise.

 This is **the voice of grace**.

Because the Gospel of Grace does not begin with what man must do...

It begins with what **God has already declared**.

Restoration Begins with God — Not Man

Under a law-based mindset, restoration always starts with man:

- "Fix what you broke"



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...r what you lost"

...make up for wasted time"

But the Gospel of Grace flips the entire foundation.

God does not say, *"You will restore."*

He says, **"I will restore."**

This aligns perfectly with the full counsel of Scripture:

"Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it..." — Epistle to the Philippians 1:6

"For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure." — Epistle to the Philippians 2:13

Restoration is not initiated by your effort.

It is **carried out by God Himself.**

The Scope of the Promise — "The Years"

Notice what God chose to restore.

Not money.

Not opportunities.

Not things.

 **Years.**

Time itself.

This is what separates the Gospel of Grace from every other message.



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place things.

man can rebuild structures.

But man cannot:

- Go back in time
- Recover lost seasons
- Redeem wasted years

Yet God declares:

“I will restore to you the years...” — Book of Joel 2:25

This is why Scripture commands:

“Redeeming the time, because the days are evil.” — Epistle to the Ephesians 5:16

Not managing time.

Not optimizing time.

👉 **Redeeming time.**

Only God can do that.

🔥 What Was Consumed Was Not Hidden from God

The locust, the cankerworm, the caterpillar, and the palmerworm represent wave after wave of loss.

“That which the palmerworm hath left hath the locust eaten; and that which the locust hath left hath the cankerworm eaten...” — Book of Joel 1:4



Layered loss.

Progressive consumption.

Nothing left untouched.

But here's the revelation:

👉 **God names every level of what was lost.**

He doesn't ignore it.

He doesn't minimize it.

He fully acknowledges it...

and then declares **His authority over it.**

This aligns with the heart of Christ:

“The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life...” — Gospel of John 10:10

Where there was loss,

God answers with life.



Restoration Is Rooted in the Nature of God

God does not restore because you earned it.

He restores because **it is His nature.**

“The LORD is gracious, and full of compassion; slow to anger, and of great mercy.” —
Book of Psalms 145:8



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“According to his mercy he saved us...” — Epistle to Titus 3:5

Restoration flows from mercy.

Restoration flows from grace.

Not from performance.

This is why the Gospel of Grace must be the foundation—because without grace, restoration becomes a burden.

With grace, restoration becomes a **promise fulfilled by God**.

The Promise Is Bigger Than the Loss

God does not measure restoration by what you lost.

He measures it by **who He is**.

| *“Instead of your shame ye shall have double...”* — Book of Isaiah 61:7

| *“Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think...”* — Epistle to the Ephesians 3:20

This means:

- Loss does not set the limit
- Your past does not define the outcome
- What was taken does not determine what will be given

👉 **Grace always exceeds the damage.**



 **Restoration Leads to No Shame**

God doesn't stop at restoring what was lost.

He removes the **memory of shame attached to it**.

"And ye shall eat in plenty, and be satisfied... and my people shall never be ashamed."
— Book of Joel 2:26–27

"Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed." — Epistle to the Romans 10:11

This is critical.

Because many people don't just carry loss—
they carry the identity of loss.

But the Gospel of Grace restores more than circumstances:

👉 It restores **identity**.

🔥 The Promise of Restoration Is Fulfilled in Christ

This promise is not separate from Christ.

It is fulfilled **through Him**.

"For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen..." — Second Epistle to the Corinthians 1:20

*"And to you, who were dead... hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven
spases."* — Epistle to the Colossians 2:13



Jesus did not just forgive sin.

He restored:

- Life
- Identity
- Inheritance
- And time itself through redemption

👉 This is the Gospel of Grace in full expression.

🔥 Declaration 🔥

The years are not lost—they are being restored.

What was consumed will not remain empty.

What was taken will not remain missing.

God Himself has spoken:

👉 **“I will restore.”**

And what He has declared...

He will perform.

🔥 Call to Action

Receive this word—not as a possibility, but as a reality already established in Christ.



Let the Gospel of Grace renew your mind beyond loss, beyond regret, and beyond time itself.

Step into the restoration that God has already spoken.

CHAPTER 2 — What the Locust Consumed

(Understanding Progressive Loss Through the Gospel of Grace)

The Pattern of Loss Is Not Random

Before God ever declared restoration, He revealed something important:

 He showed the pattern of what was lost.

“That which the palmerworm hath left hath the locust eaten; and that which the locust hath left hath the cankerworm eaten; and that which the cankerworm hath left hath the caterpillar eaten.” — Book of Joel 1:4

This is not just a description of destruction.

This is a **pattern**:

- One wave comes...
- Then another...
- Then another...



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everything is consumed

Loss didn't happen all at once.

☞ It happened **progressively**.

🔥 Layer Upon Layer — How Loss Works

Each of these represents a stage:

- **Palmerworm** → the beginning of loss
- **Locust** → visible destruction
- **Cankerworm** → hidden decay
- **Caterpillar** → ongoing consumption

This reveals something powerful:

☞ **Loss is not always loud.**

Sometimes it is:

- Slow
- Subtle
- Gradual

You don't always notice it when it starts...
but you feel it when it's finished.

🔥 The Enemy's Pattern vs God's Promise

Learn more about the same pattern:



"The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy..." — Gospel of John 10:10

Notice the progression:

- Steal → take what is yours
- Kill → remove life from it
- Destroy → leave nothing behind

But the verse doesn't end there:

"...I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." — Gospel of John 10:10

☞ Where loss works in layers...

☞ **Grace answers in fullness.**

🔥 Not Just Natural Loss — But Spiritual Loss

This isn't only about crops or material things.

This pattern shows up in life:

- Time lost
- Opportunities missed
- Relationships broken
- Truth misunderstood
- Identity distorted

Even wisdom speaks to this:



“For the turning away of the simple shall slay them, and the prosperity of fools shall destroy them.” — Book of Proverbs 1:32

Loss can come through:

- Ignorance
- Wrong thinking
- Misguided paths

But here’s the key:

👉 **The cause of loss does not cancel the promise of restoration.**

🔥 **Even Self-Inflicted Loss Is Covered by Grace**

This is where the Gospel of Grace separates itself from law.

Under law:

- You caused it → you fix it
- You lost it → you live with it

But under grace:

👉 **God restores even what you participated in losing.**

Look at this principle:

“Where sin abounded, grace did much more abound.” — Epistle to the Romans 5:20



- Your mistakes are not final
- Your past is not permanent
- Your failures are not fatal

☞ Grace does not match loss...

☞ **It overwhelms it.**

🔥 Nothing Escaped God's Sight

God didn't say:

"I'll restore some of it."

He listed everything:

- Locust
- Cankerworm
- Caterpillar
- Palmerworm

Why?

☞ Because **nothing that was lost escaped His sight.**

This lines up with the nature of God:

“Are not five sparrows sold for two farthings, and not one of them is forgotten before God?” — Gospel of Luke 12:6

If He doesn't forget a sparrow...



☞ He did not overlook your years.

🔥 Loss Does Not Have Authority — God Does

Loss may have occurred...

But it never had **authority**.

God is the one who speaks the final word:

"I know the thoughts that I think toward you... thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end." — Book of Jeremiah 29:11

Loss says:

"You're finished."

God says:

"I'm not done."

🔥 Grace Does Not Ignore Loss — It Answers It

The Gospel of Grace does not pretend loss didn't happen.

It does something greater:

👉 **It answers it with restoration.**

Not partial...

Not symbolic...



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This is why Scripture declares:

“He restoreth my soul...” — Book of Psalms 23:3

Not “He advises my soul”

Not “He helps my soul”

👉 **He restores it.**

🔥 **The Hidden Truth — Loss Was Never the End**

What looked like the end...

Was never the end.

It was:

- A setup for restoration
- A stage for grace
- A place where God would reveal His nature

Because grace shines brightest:

👉 **Where loss seemed final.**

🔥 **Declaration** 🔥

Every layer of loss is being answered.



What was taken in pieces will be restored in fullness.

What was consumed in stages will be recovered completely.

Nothing was missed.

Nothing was forgotten.

👉 **And nothing is beyond restoration.**

🔥 **Call to Action**

Don't define your life by what was lost.

Let the Gospel of Grace redefine it by what God has promised.

Receive the truth:

👉 Every layer of loss has already been met by a greater measure of grace.

Step into it. Walk in it. Live from it.

🔥 **CHAPTER 3 — Time Lost vs Time Redeemed**

(God Redeems What Man Cannot Through the Gospel of Grace)



Greatest Loss Is Not Things — It's Time

There is something more valuable than money...
More valuable than opportunity...
More valuable than anything you can hold in your hand.

☞ Time.

Because once time passes:

- You can't rewind it
- You can't relive it
- You can't recover it

Or at least... that's how it appears.

This is why the pain of loss is often deeper than the thing itself.

It's not just *what* was lost...

☞ It's the **years attached to it.**

🔥 The Command That Reveals the Secret

Scripture gives a command that seems impossible:

▮ *"Redeeming the time, because the days are evil"* — Epistle to the Ephesians 5:16

Think about that.

Not managing time...

Not maximizing time...



☞ **Redeeming time.**

But here's the truth:

Man cannot redeem time.

So why would God say it?

Because the Gospel of Grace reveals:

☞ What God commands... He provides.

Time Under Law vs Time Under Grace

Under law, time works against you:

- You missed it
- You delayed
- You failed
- You lost years

Time becomes a record of:

- Regret
- Mistakes
- Missed opportunities

But under grace, time is no longer your enemy.

Because grace introduces something greater:

☞ **Redemption.**



God Exists Outside of Time — And Speaks Into It

This is where revelation opens.

God is not bound by time.

| *"I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending..."* — Book of Revelation 1:8

| *"Declaring the end from the beginning..."* — Book of Isaiah 46:10

God stands:

- At your beginning
- At your middle
- At your end

At the same time.

So when He says:

☞ *"I will restore the years..."* — Book of Joel 2:25

He is not limited by when those years were lost.

The Finished Work Was Settled Before Time

This is the foundation of the Gospel of Grace:



... saved us... according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in us before the world began." — Second Epistle to Timothy 1:9

“The Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.” — Book of Revelation 13:8

That means:

- The solution existed before the problem
- The answer was given before the loss
- The restoration was prepared before the years were consumed

☞ God is not reacting to your past.

☞ He is revealing what was already finished.

🔥 All Things Work Together — Even Lost Time

This verse takes on new meaning in light of grace:

“And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God...” —
Epistle to the Romans 8:28

“All things” includes:

- Delays
- Detours
- Mistakes
- Missed seasons

Even what looked like wasted time...

☞ **is being worked into your good.**



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...it was good...

☞ But because **God is good.**

Time Is Redeemed Through Increase

Here's how God redeems time:

- ☞ Not by giving you the same amount back...
- ☞ But by bringing **greater increase in less time.**

This is why Scripture declares:

"I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase." — First Epistle to the Corinthians 3:6

And again:

"So then neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase." — First Epistle to the Corinthians 3:7

God can do in a moment...

- ☞ what would have taken years.
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Suddenly — When Time Is Redeemed

Throughout Scripture, when God moves beyond process, one word appears:

☞ **Suddenly**



...suddenly there came a sound from heaven..." — Book of Acts 2:2

“In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye...” — First Epistle to the Corinthians 15:52

Suddenly means:

- The process is complete
- The preparation is finished
- The manifestation has arrived

☞ This is how God redeems time.

You Are Not Behind — You Are Being Brought Forward

One of the greatest lies is:

☞ “You’re behind in life.”

But in the Gospel of Grace:

- You are not behind
- You are not late
- You are not disqualified

Because:

“To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven.” —
Book of Ecclesiastes 3:1

God is not trying to catch you up...



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ing you into **His time.**

Time Does Not Define You — Christ Does

Your identity is not:

- Your past
- Your timeline
- Your missed opportunities

Your identity is in Christ:

“Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature...” — Second Epistle to the Corinthians 5:17

That means:

- ☞ Your past does not control your future.
- ☞ Time does not limit your destiny.
- ☞ Grace defines your outcome.

Declaration

Time is not lost—it is redeemed.

Years are not wasted—they are being restored.
What took long will now come quickly.



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ound by your timeline...

e is not limited by what has passed.

👉 **He redeems time.**

🔥 **Call to Action**

Let go of the belief that you've lost too much time.

Receive the truth of the Gospel of Grace:

👉 What you could never recover... God has already redeemed.

Step into His timing.

Rest in His finished work.

And watch what He brings forth... suddenly.

🔥 **CHAPTER 4 — The Finished Work Before the Loss**

***(Grace Was Settled Before Time Began Through
the Gospel of Grace)***

🔥 **The Answer Came Before the Problem**

Most people live as if God is reacting to their life.

- Something happens → then God responds
- Loss occurs → then God restores
- Failure appears → then God fixes it

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But the Gospel of Grace reveals something far greater:

👉 **God never reacts—He reveals what was already finished.**

Before there was loss...

Before there was time...

Before there was failure...

👉 **There was already a finished work.**

🔥 **Grace Was Given Before Time Began**

This is one of the clearest revelations in Scripture:

“Who hath saved us... according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began.” — Second Epistle to Timothy 1:9

Grace was not created after sin.

Grace was not introduced after failure.

👉 Grace was **given before the world began.**

That means:

- Before you ever made a mistake
- Before anything was lost
- Before time even started

👉 **The answer already existed.**



The Lamb Was Slain Before the Foundation

This truth goes even deeper:

“*The Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.*” — Book of Revelation 13:8

Jesus was not a backup plan.

He was not God’s response to sin.

☞ He was the **eternal plan**.

The cross was not God fixing something...

☞ It was God revealing what was always in His heart.

🔥 Chosen Before the Loss Ever Happened

You were not chosen after you got it right.

You were chosen **before anything went wrong**:

“*According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world...*” —
Epistle to the Ephesians 1:4

This means:

- Your identity was set before your history
- Your calling was established before your mistakes
- Your restoration was secured before your loss

☞ Nothing in time changed what was decided in eternity.



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God Declares the End from the Beginning

God does not move from problem to solution.

He moves from **completion to manifestation**:

| *"Declaring the end from the beginning..."* — Book of Isaiah 46:10

God starts with the finished picture...

Then unfolds it in time.

So when loss appears in your life:

☞ It is not interrupting God's plan.

☞ It is being **absorbed into it**.

The Finished Work Is Complete — Not Partial

Jesus didn't say, "It is started."

He didn't say, "It is in progress."

He said:

| *"It is finished."* — Gospel of John 19:30

Finished means:



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missing

- Nothing lacking

- Nothing needing to be added

So if the work is finished...

☞ Then your restoration is not being created.

☞ It is being **revealed**.

Restoration Is the Manifestation of What Was Already Settled

This changes everything.

When God says:

| *"I will restore the years..."* — Book of Joel 2:25

He is not creating something new.

☞ He is manifesting what was already established in Christ.

This aligns with the full counsel:

| *"For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen..."* — Second Epistle to the Corinthians 1:20

Every promise—including restoration—

☞ was already secured in Him.



Nothing That Happened Caught God Off Guard

From our perspective:

- Loss feels unexpected
- Delay feels confusing
- Failure feels final

But from God's perspective:

👉 Nothing was a surprise.

"Known unto God are all his works from the beginning of the world." — Book of Acts 15:18

God did not discover your situation.

He already accounted for it.

The Plan of the Ages Is Bringing It Forth

Even though the work is finished...

It unfolds in time.

"That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ..." — Epistle to the Ephesians 1:10

- There is a process
- There is a progression
- There is a revealing

But none of it is creating the outcome...

☞ It is unveiling what was already complete.

🔥 Your Life Is Not Being Fixed — It Is Being Revealed

This is the shift:

You are not a project God is trying to repair.

You are:

☞ **A finished work being revealed in time.**

▮ *"For we are his workmanship..."* — Epistle to the Ephesians 2:10

The word "workmanship" means:

☞ Something already crafted.

🔥 Restoration Is Guaranteed Because the Work Is Finished



is depended on you:

- It would be uncertain
- It would be unstable
- It would be incomplete

But because it depends on Christ:

☞ It is guaranteed.

“He which hath begun a good work in you will perform it...” — Epistle to the
Philippians 1:6

Not might perform it.

☞ **Will perform it.**

🔥 Declaration 🔥

The work is finished.

The answer existed before the loss.

The provision was made before the need.

The restoration was secured before the years were consumed.

Nothing is being figured out...

Everything is being revealed.

☞ **Grace was settled before time began.**



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Stop looking at your life as something God is trying to fix.

See it as something He has already finished.

Receive the Gospel of Grace:

👉 Your restoration is not coming into existence...

👉 It is coming into manifestation.

Rest in it. Believe it. Walk in it.

🔥 CHAPTER 5 — Restoration Is Not Earned

(Grace vs Works in Recovery Through the Gospel of Grace)

🔥 The Hidden Lie Behind Restoration

There is a subtle lie that keeps people from walking in restoration:

👉 *"I need to get things right so God can restore me."*

It sounds humble...

It sounds responsible...

But it is **law-based thinking**.



Because it shifts restoration from:

👉 What God does

to

👉 What you must do

And the moment that happens...

👉 Grace is no longer grace.

🔥 Grace and Works Cannot Mix

Scripture is clear:

“And if by grace, then is it no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace.” —
Epistle to the Romans 11:6

This is absolute.

Not:

- Mostly grace
- Partly works
- A little effort added

👉 No mixture.

If restoration is by grace:

- It cannot be earned
- It cannot be deserved
- It cannot be achieved



The Law Says “Recover” — Grace Says “Receive”

Under law, restoration becomes a command:

- “Make it right”
- “Fix your mistakes”
- “Rebuild what you lost”

But grace speaks differently:

☞ **“Receive what I have already done.”**

This is why Scripture declares:

“For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: not of works...” — Epistle to the Ephesians 2:8–9

Restoration is not a reward...

☞ It is a **gift**.

If You Could Earn It, Christ Died in Vain

This is one of the strongest statements in Scripture:

“I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain.” — Epistle to the Galatians 2:21



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to restoration:

☞ If restoration comes by your effort...

☞ Then the cross was unnecessary.

But the cross declares:

- You could not fix it
- You could not restore it
- You could not recover it

☞ That's why Christ did.

🔥 God Restores While You Are Still Broken

This is where grace shocks the mind.

God does not wait until you are:

- Perfect
- Strong
- Disciplined
- Fully corrected

He moves **in the middle of your weakness**:

“But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.” — Epistle to the Romans 5:8

That means:



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Restoration begins before improvement

- Grace moves before performance

- God acts before you “get it together”
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The Prodigal Son — Restoration Without Earning

Look at the pattern in the story of the prodigal:

| Gospel of Luke 15:11–24

The son:

- Wasted everything
- Made wrong decisions
- Lost his inheritance

And when he returns, he prepares a speech:

☞ “Make me as one of thy hired servants...”

He’s ready to **earn his way back**.

But the father interrupts him.

Before he can prove anything:

- The robe is placed on him
- The ring is given
- The feast is prepared



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ion happens instantly—without earning.

Grace Restores Identity First

Notice something powerful:

The father didn't say:

"Work first, then you can be a son again."

He restored:

👉 **Identity first.**

This aligns with the Gospel of Grace:

"Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God..." — First Epistle of John 3:1

You don't work your way into sonship.

👉 You are restored into it by grace.

Dead Works Cannot Produce Living Restoration

Many try to recover their life through effort:

- Trying harder
- Doing more
- Fixing everything



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... calls this:

👉 Dead works

“...repentance from dead works...” — Epistle to the Hebrews 6:1

Dead works are:

- Effort without life
- Labor without grace
- Performance without power

👉 They cannot produce restoration.

🔥 God’s Work Produces the Restoration

The shift happens here:

“For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.” —
Epistle to the Philippians 2:13

Not:

- You working for God
- But:
- **God working in you**

Restoration flows from:

👉 His work... not yours.



🔥 **You Don’t Maintain Restoration — God Does**

Even after restoration begins, many think:

☞ "Now I have to keep it."

But grace declares:

|"He which hath begun a good work in you will perform it..." — Epistle to the Philippians 1:6

God doesn't just start restoration...

☞ He completes it.

🔥 **Grace Removes Boasting Completely**

Why does God do it this way?

So that no man can take credit:

|"Where is boasting then? It is excluded..." — Epistle to the Romans 3:27

Restoration by grace ensures:

- God gets the glory
- Christ gets the honor
- Man receives the benefit

☞ But no one can boast.

Restoration is not earned—it is given.

You cannot work your way back.

You cannot fix what was broken.

You cannot recover what was lost.

But God has already done it.

👉 **Grace restores what works never could.**

Call to Action

Lay down the burden of trying to fix your life.

Receive the Gospel of Grace:

👉 You don't earn restoration—you receive it.

Stop striving.

Start resting.

And watch what God brings forth.

CHAPTER 6 — Double for Your Trouble

***(God Restores Beyond What Was Lost Through
the Gospel of Grace)***



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God Does Not Restore Equally — He Restores Abundantly

Most people think restoration means:

☞ “Getting back what I lost.”

But the Gospel of Grace reveals something far greater:

☞ **God does not restore equally—He restores abundantly.**

He doesn’t measure restoration by loss...

☞ He measures it by **His nature.**

“Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think...” — Epistle to the Ephesians 3:20

Not equal.

Not partial.

☞ **Exceeding. Abundantly. Above.**

The Promise of Double

God makes this clear:

“For your shame ye shall have double... everlasting joy shall be unto them.” — Book of Isaiah 61:7



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Symbolic language.

This is **the pattern of grace**:

- Shame → double honor
- Loss → double restoration
- Lack → overflowing supply

☞ Grace doesn't just fix the damage...

☞ **It overwhelms it.**

Job — The Pattern of Double Restoration

Look at one of the clearest examples:

“*And the LORD turned the captivity of Job... also the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before.*” — Book of Job 42:10

Job didn't:

- Earn it back
- Work it back
- Rebuild it himself

☞ God **gave** him double.

And notice:

☞ The restoration came **after the trial**, not through his effort.

Restoration Is Not Replacement — It Is Increase

God is not in the business of replacing what was lost.

He is in the business of **increasing beyond it**.

“The thief cometh not, but for to steal... I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.” — Gospel of John 10:10

The enemy takes...

☞ But Christ brings **abundance**.

Not just life...

☞ **More abundant life.**

Grace Always Exceeds the Damage

This is a foundational truth:

“Where sin abounded, grace did much more abound.” — Epistle to the Romans 5:20

Not equal.

Not matching.

☞ **Much more.**

- Your loss does not set the limit
- Your past does not define the outcome
- Your mistakes do not determine your future

☞ **Grace is always greater.**

God Restores Beyond Memory

When God restores, He doesn't just fill the gap...

☞ He fills it so fully that the past loses its power.

"And ye shall eat in plenty, and be satisfied... and my people shall never be ashamed."
— Book of Joel 2:26

Satisfied means:

- Nothing lacking
- Nothing missing
- Nothing reminding you of the loss

☞ Restoration becomes **fullness**.

The Overflow Principle

Grace does not operate in scarcity.

It operates in overflow:



“And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye... may abound to every good work.” — Second Epistle to the Corinthians 9:8

Notice the language:

- Grace abounds
- You abound

☞ Everything about grace **multiplies**.

From Loss to Overflow in Less Time

Here’s the mystery:

God doesn’t need the same amount of time to restore what was lost.

He can do in a moment...

☞ what would have taken years.

This connects with what we saw:

“In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye...” — First Epistle to the Corinthians 15:52

And again:

“Suddenly...” — Book of Acts 2:2

☞ This is how “double” happens.

God's Reputation Is Attached to Your Restoration

God doesn't just restore for your benefit...

👉 He restores for His name.

"He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake." — Book of Psalms 23:3

This means:

- Your restoration reflects Him
- Your increase glorifies Him
- Your abundance reveals Him

👉 He will not leave His name attached to lack.

You Are Not Returning — You Are Advancing

One of the biggest mindset shifts:

👉 You are not going back to where you were.

You are moving into something greater.

"Forget the former things... behold, I will do a new thing..." — Book of Isaiah 43:18–19



...trying to rewind your life...

👉 He is advancing it beyond where it ever was.

🔥 Declaration 🔥

God does not restore equally—He restores abundantly.

What was lost will be exceeded.

What was taken will be multiplied.

What was empty will overflow.

You are not getting back what you had...

👉 **You are stepping into more.**

🔥 Call to Action

Release the mindset of “just getting by” or “getting back.”

Receive the Gospel of Grace:

👉 God is bringing you into abundance.

Expect increase.

Expect overflow.

Expect more than what was lost.

🔥 CHAPTER 7 — From Shame to No



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(Restoration Removes the Memory of Loss Through the Gospel of Grace)

🔥 Restoration Is Not Complete Until Shame Is Removed

Many people think restoration means:

- Getting things back
- Recovering what was lost
- Seeing outward change

But there is something deeper than loss...

☞ **Shame.**

Because even after things change on the outside...

☞ Shame can still remain on the inside.

That's why God doesn't just promise restoration.

He promises this:

"And ye shall eat in plenty, and be satisfied... and my people shall never be ashamed!"

— Book of Joel 2:26–27

Not less ashamed...

Not occasionally ashamed...



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☞ **never ashamed.**

Shame Is the Memory of Loss Attached to Identity

Shame is not just about what happened.

It is about:

☞ **What you believe about yourself because of what happened.**

It sounds like:

- “I should have known better”
- “I wasted too much time”
- “I messed it all up”

So even when restoration begins...

☞ The mind still lives in the past.

Grace Doesn't Just Restore Things — It Restores Identity

The Gospel of Grace goes deeper than circumstances.

It restores:

☞ **Who you are.**



er believeth on him shall not be ashamed. — Epistle to the Romans 10:11

“There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus...” —
Epistle to the Romans 8:1

No condemnation means:

- No guilt defining you
- No past controlling you
- No shame identifying you

☞ Grace removes the label.

The First Appearance of Shame

To understand this, we go back to the beginning:

“And they were both naked... and were not ashamed.” — Book of Genesis 2:25

Before the fall:

- No shame
- No hiding
- No insecurity

But after sin:

“I was afraid... and I hid myself.” — Book of Genesis 3:10

Shame entered and produced:

- Fear



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- Separation in the mind

Christ Removes What Adam Introduced

What Adam brought in...

☞ Christ removes completely.

“For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.” — First Epistle to the Corinthians 15:22

That includes:

- Sin
- Death
- And shame

Grace restores you to a place where:

☞ You are no longer hiding.

The Prodigal Son — Shame Interrupted

Look again at the son:

| Gospel of Luke 15:11–24

He returns with shame:

- Rehearsing his failure
- Begging for mercy
- Begging to become a servant



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But the father does something powerful:

☞ He **interrupts the shame**.

Before the son can finish his speech:

- The robe covers him
- The ring restores authority
- The feast celebrates him

☞ Shame never gets to finish its sentence.

🔥 God Covers What You Were Trying to Hide

In the garden, man tried to cover himself.

But God replaced it:

"Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them." — Book of Genesis 3:21

This points to Christ.

Because in Him:

"...be found in him, not having mine own righteousness..." — Epistle to the Philippians 3:9

☞ You are covered—not by your effort...



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s righteousness.

You Cannot Be Both Restored and Ashamed

This is the truth many miss:

☞ Shame and grace cannot live together.

If you are still carrying shame...

☞ You are not seeing the fullness of grace.

Because grace declares:

- You are accepted
- You are restored
- You are whole

"To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved." — Epistle to the Ephesians 1:6

No Shame Means No Memory of Defeat

When God removes shame:

☞ He removes the sting of the memory.

It doesn't mean you forget events...

It means:

☞ They no longer define you.



"Their sins and iniquities will I remember no more." — Epistle to the Hebrews 10:17

If God doesn't remember it against you...

👉 Why are you?

🔥 Boldness Replaces Shame

When shame is removed, something takes its place:

👉 **Boldness.**

“Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace...” — Epistle to the Hebrews 4:16

Not timidly.
Not ashamed.

👉 **Boldly.**

Because you are no longer defined by your past.

🔥 You Are Not Who You Were

The Gospel of Grace makes this final:

“Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature...” — Second Epistle to the Corinthians 5:17

That means:



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identity is gone

- The shame attached to it is gone
- The past version of you is gone

👉 You are not recovering your old life...

👉 You are living from a **new one**.

🔥 Declaration 🔥

Shame is broken.

The past has no voice.

Loss has no identity.

Failure has no claim.

You are not defined by what happened...

👉 **You are defined by what Christ has done.**

And in Him:

👉 **You will never be ashamed.**

🔥 Call to Action 🔥

Let go of every label the past tried to put on you.

Receive the Gospel of Grace:



restored—and you are unashamed.

Lift your head.

Stand in boldness.

Walk in your true identity.

CHAPTER 8 — The Father's Restoration Pattern

(The Prodigal Son Reveals Complete Recovery Through the Gospel of Grace)

God Didn't Just Teach Restoration — He Showed It

There are teachings...

And then there are **patterns**.

In the parable of the prodigal son, Jesus didn't just explain grace...

👉 He **revealed how the Father actually restores**.

| Gospel of Luke 15:11–24

This is not just a story.

👉 This is the **blueprint of restoration under the Gospel of Grace**.



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Son Had Everything — Then Lost It

The son began with:

- Inheritance
- Identity
- Position
- Relationship

But he chose to leave:

“...he took his journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living.” — Gospel of Luke 15:13

He didn't just lose money...

👉 He lost **everything attached to it.**

🔥 Loss Leads to Emptiness

The progression continues:

- Famine arises
- Resources run out
- He ends up feeding swine

“...and no man gave unto him.” — Gospel of Luke 15:16

This is the lowest point:

👉 Emptiness.

👉 Isolation.



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left.

This mirrors everything we've seen:

☞ Loss comes in stages until nothing remains.

🔥 The Turning Point — “He Came to Himself”

Then something shifts:

| *“And when he came to himself...”* — Gospel of Luke 15:17

This is powerful.

He didn't become someone new in that moment...

☞ He **returned to who he really was.**

Grace doesn't create identity.

☞ It **reveals it.**

🔥 The Plan to Earn It Back

Now watch the mindset shift:

He says:

- “I will arise...”
- “I will go...”



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y...”

... as one of thy hired servants...”

👉 He prepares to **earn his way back**.

This is exactly what religion teaches:

- Work for acceptance
- Earn your place
- Prove your worth

🔥 The Father Interrupts the Process

But everything changes when he returns:

"But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran..." — Gospel of Luke 15:20

The father:

- Saw him
- Ran to him
- Embraced him
- Kissed him

👉 Before the son could prove anything.

🔥 Grace Moves Faster Than Repentance

The son begins his speech:

"Father, I have sinned..."



But before he can finish:

☞ The father **cuts him off with restoration.**

He never lets him say:

☞ "Make me a servant."

Why?

Because grace refuses to let a son:

☞ **downgrade himself.**

The Threefold Restoration

Immediately, the father commands:

"Bring forth the best robe..."

"Put a ring on his hand..."

"Put shoes on his feet..." — Gospel of Luke 15:22

Each one is powerful:

- **Robe** → righteousness (covered identity)
- **Ring** → authority (restored sonship)
- **Shoes** → position (no longer a servant)

☞ This is not partial restoration.



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ll restoration instantly.

The Feast — Celebration, Not Probation

Then the father says:

| *“Let us eat, and be merry.” — Gospel of Luke 15:23*

Notice what does NOT happen:

- No probation period
- No proving himself
- No earning trust

☞ Only **celebration**.

Because in grace:

☞ Restoration is immediate.

“This My Son Was Dead — And Is Alive Again”

The father defines the moment:

| *“For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.” — Gospel of Luke 15:24*

He doesn't say:

- “He messed up”
- “He failed”
- “He ruined everything”



👉 He defines him by **life—not loss**.

🔥 The Father Never Changed His Mind

Here's the deepest revelation:

- 👉 The son changed location...
- 👉 But the father never changed identity.

He was always:

👉 **A son.**

This aligns with grace:

“For the gifts and calling of God are without repentance.” — Epistle to the Romans
11:29

God does not take back:

- Identity
 - Calling
 - Sonship
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🔥 Restoration Is Rooted in Relationship — Not Behavior

The son thought:

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👉 “My behavior disqualified me.”

The father revealed:

☞ "My relationship defines you."

This is the Gospel of Grace:

- You don't earn relationship
- You don't maintain sonship by performance

☞ You are restored because you belong.

You Don't Come Back as a Servant — You Return as a Son

This is the final blow to performance thinking:

The son expected:

☞ Servanthood

The father restored:

☞ Sonship

| *"Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son..."* — Epistle to the Galatians 4:7

Grace does not bring you back lower...

☞ It restores you fully.



Declaration

You are not a servant trying to earn your way back.

You are a son being restored by grace.

The robe is yours.

The ring is yours.

The place is yours.

Nothing you lost changed who you are.

 **The Father restores completely.**

Call to Action

Stop trying to earn what has already been given.

Receive the Gospel of Grace:

 You are restored as a son—not a servant.

Come home.

Stand in your identity.

Live from your inheritance.

CHAPTER 9 — The Renewal of All Things



(From Personal Restoration to Universal Restoration Through the Gospel of Grace)

Restoration Was Never Meant to Stop with You

Everything we've seen so far is powerful:

- Years restored
- Time redeemed
- Identity renewed
- Shame removed
- Sonship restored

But here's the question:

👉 *Is God only restoring individuals... or is He restoring everything?*

The Gospel of Grace answers clearly:

👉 **What begins in you... is meant to extend to all creation.**

The Promise of the Restoration of All Things

This is not a hidden idea—it is declared openly:

"...the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets..." — Book of Acts 3:21



Not some things.

Not a few things.

☞ **All things.**

Everything touched by loss...

Everything affected by corruption...

☞ God has a plan to restore.

Creation Itself Is Waiting for Restoration

Paul reveals that this goes beyond humanity:

“For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God.” — Epistle to the Romans 8:19

“Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption...”
— Epistle to the Romans 8:21

Creation is:

- Waiting
- Groaning
- Expecting

☞ **Restoration.**



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What Happened in Adam Affected All

The reason restoration must be universal is because loss was universal.

“Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin...” — Epistle to the Romans 5:12

Through Adam:

- Sin entered
- Death spread
- Corruption touched everything

☞ The fall was not isolated.

What Christ Did Is Greater Than What Adam Did

Here’s the power of the Gospel of Grace:

“For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.” — First Epistle to the Corinthians 15:22

Notice the parallel:

- Adam → all affected
- Christ → all made alive

Grace does not restore less than what was lost.

☞ It restores **more**.



Reconciliation Through Christ

This truth is made even clearer:

“...by him to reconcile all things unto himself... whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.” — Epistle to the Colossians 1:20

Not just people...

All things.

- Earth
- Heaven
- Visible
- Invisible

 Everything is included in the plan.

The Regeneration — A New Order of Life

Jesus spoke of this moment:

“...in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory...” — Gospel of Matthew 19:28

Regeneration means:

A complete renewal.

Not a patch.



👉 A new order of life.

🔥 The Same Pattern — From You to All

What we've seen personally:

- Restoration of years
- Redemption of time
- Renewal of identity

Is the same pattern God applies universally:

👉 He restores everything the same way He restores you.

Through:

- Grace
 - The Finished Work
 - The power of Christ
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🔥 The Plan of the Ages Is Bringing It Together

This restoration unfolds through time:

“That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ...” — Epistle to the Ephesians 1:10

Everything is being:



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- Restored
- Brought into unity

☞ In Christ.

God Will Be All in All

This is the final picture:

| *"That God may be all in all"* — First Epistle to the Corinthians 15:28

Not partially in all...

Not in some...

☞ **All in all.**

This is the end of restoration:

- Nothing outside His life
- Nothing outside His presence
- Nothing outside His fullness

Your Restoration Is a Sign of Something Bigger

What God is doing in you right now:

☞ Is not isolated.



It is:

- A preview
- A pattern
- A manifestation

Of what He intends for everything.

☞ You are living proof of restoration.

🔥 **Grace Wins Completely**

The Gospel of Grace does not end in partial victory.

It ends in:

☞ **Complete restoration.**

- Sin answered
- Death defeated
- Corruption removed
- Creation restored

☞ Nothing left undone.

🔥 **Declaration** 🔥

What God has begun in you... He will finish in all.

Restoration is not partial.

Redemption is not limited.

Restoration will not stop halfway.



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Everything that was touched by loss...
Will be touched by restoration.

👉 **All things will be made new.**

🔥 **Call to Action**

Lift your vision beyond your situation.

Receive the Gospel of Grace:

👉 Your restoration is part of a greater restoration.

You are not just being restored...

👉 You are part of the restoration of all things.

Walk in it. See it. Believe it.

🔥 **CHAPTER 10 — Living in Restored Time**

***(Walking in the Manifestation of Grace Through
the Gospel of Grace)***

🔥 **Restoration Is Not Just a Promise — It Is a
Place to Live**

- Years restored
- Time redeemed
- Loss reversed
- Identity renewed
- All things being restored

But now comes the question:

👉 *How do you live in this?*

Because the Gospel of Grace is not just something you believe...

👉 It is something you **enter**.

There Remains a Rest

Scripture makes this clear:

“*There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God.*” — Epistle to the Hebrews 4:9

Rest is not inactivity.

👉 It is **ceasing from your own works**.

“*For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works...*” — Epistle to the Hebrews 4:10

This is where restored time is lived:



You Don't Chase Restoration — You Abide in It

Under performance:

- You chase results
- You strive for recovery
- You try to “get somewhere”

But grace shifts everything:

| *“Abide in me, and I in you...”* — Gospel of John 15:4

Living in restored time means:

👉 You stop chasing...

👉 And you start **abiding**.

Life Flows From Union — Not Effort

Jesus makes it plain:

| *“I am the vine, ye are the branches... without me ye can do nothing.”* — Gospel of John 15:5

This means:

- You are not the source
- You are not the producer
- You are not the origin



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☞ You are the **receiver of life**.

And from that life...

☞ Everything flows.

Restored Time Feels Like Acceleration Without Striving

When you enter rest:

- Things begin to align
- Doors begin to open
- Increase begins to happen

But here's the key:

☞ You are not forcing it.

Because:

“*Except the LORD build the house, they labour in vain that build it...*” — Book of Psalms 127:1

Now God is building...

☞ And you are resting in it.



Live From Fulfillment — Not Toward It

Most people live like this:

☞ "One day I'll get there."

But grace says:

▮ *"And of his fulness have all we received..."* — Gospel of John 1:16

Not will receive...

☞ **Have received.**

Living in restored time means:

- You are not trying to become
- You are not trying to achieve

☞ You are living from **what is already given.**

The New Creation Lives Outside the Old Timeline

This is powerful:

▮ *"Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away..."* — Second Epistle to the Corinthians 5:17

That means:



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...st timeline is not your identity
...story is not your reality

- Your former life does not define your present

☞ You are living from a **new creation reality**.

🔥 Grace Produces Effortless Fruit

When you live in restored time, something happens:

☞ Fruit comes without strain.

| *“He that abideth in me... bringeth forth much fruit.”* — Gospel of John 15:5

Not forced fruit...

Not pressured fruit...

☞ **Natural fruit.**

Because it's not coming from you...

☞ It's coming through you.

🔥 The Day of “Suddenly” Becomes Your Experience

What once seemed rare...

Becomes normal:



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- Open doors

- Manifestation

“And suddenly there came a sound from heaven...” — Book of Acts 2:2

When you live in grace:

☞ You begin to experience **suddenlies**.

Because the work is finished...

☞ And now it is manifesting.

You Walk by Faith — Not by the Past

The past tries to say:

- “You lost too much”
- “You’re too far behind”
- “It’s too late”

But grace declares:

“For we walk by faith, not by sight.” — Second Epistle to the Corinthians 5:7

Faith says:

☞ “It is already done.”



Continues What He Started

You don't sustain this life.

God does:

"He which hath begun a good work in you will perform it..." — Epistle to the
Philippians 1:6

Living in restored time means:

☞ You trust Him to finish what He started.

This Is the Life of Grace

This is what it looks like:

- Rest instead of striving
- Trust instead of fear
- Abiding instead of chasing
- Fulfillment instead of lack

☞ This is **living in restored time**.

Declaration

I am not behind—I am in His timing.

I am not striving—I am resting.

I am not lacking—I am receiving.

Time is redeemed.

Life is flowing.

Grace is working.

👉 **I am living in restored time.**

Call to Action

Step out of striving... and into rest.

Receive the Gospel of Grace:

👉 You are not trying to get there—you are already in it.

Abide in Him.

Trust His work.

Live from His fullness.

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