

# Grace Comes First

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Luke 7:36-50

Matthew 11:28-30

What stood out to you from the text this morning?

Are you hesitant to dig into thoughts, feelings and prayers like David's in Psalm 13? Why or why not? Do you feel like the church is? Why or why not? Feel free to read the whole Psalm (it's short).

What part of what was read or what was said did you struggle with? What convicted you personally from the Word this morning?

How have you used/seen fear or performance as a motivator for change? Does it work?

What evidence have you seen in your own experience that grace comes first? That God's grace is the motivator for our love response?

When you are prone to respond like Simon, how do you receive and give grace in that moment?

When you are face to face with your own sin, exposed before self, God and others, how do you receive and give grace in that moment?

What "improper" act of love are you willing to offer in response to what Jesus has done for you?

What "improper" act of love are you quick to judge in someone else?

To give grace, we need to adopt an attitude of a learner. This takes humility and often vulnerability. Discuss your personal response to this command of Jesus in Matthew 11:29.

What may you need to learn to give grace? What does the church need to learn to give grace?