

Grace (Related terms)

Atonement –The word atonement is an Anglo-Saxon word which literally means At-one-ment, and speaks to making at one and bringing those who are estranged into a unity. (Hebrew, kpr) Christ's shed blood at His death atoned for the sin of man, bringing sinners into right relation with God. (New Bible Dictionary) . (Heb. Kaphar, to "cover, cancel" Gk. Katallage, "exchange, reconciliation). According to Ungers, atonement is the covering over of sin, the reconciliation between God and man, accomplished by the Lord Jesus Christ; the result of Christ's sacrificial sufferings and death by virtue of which all who exercise proper penitence and faith receive forgiveness of their sins and obtain peace.

Propitiation – signifies the removal of wrath by the offering of a gift. (Old Testament expresses this by the word "atonement", kipper.

Redemption – Deliverance from some evil by payment of a price. A ransom was paid for the souls of many, Jesus life and blood.

Justification – To acquit, to declare righteous (the opposite of condemn)

Reconciliation – doing away with the enmity that separated; the bridging over of a quarrel. Bringing parties together in peace who were formally hostile to one another. Romans 5:10; 2 Corinthians 5:18.

Sanctification – to make holy, to set apart. Perfecting, maturing. The end result is making us more and more into the image of Jesus Christ, representing God and His kingdom. Set apart as God's own, made fit to be used by Him, bringing Him glory and honor through our lives.

Favor, goodness, kindness,

John 3:16 is the quintessential scripture describing God's saving grace. "For God (the superior) so loved (his choice to love; motivating reason) the world (the inferior, or subordinate) that he gave his only begotten Son (the act of grace; the Son is grace), that whosoever (magnanimously to all, no matter who) believeth in him (faith) should not perish (salvation), but have everlasting life (glorification).

Ephesians 2:4-9 –But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) and hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus: That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus. For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God" Not, of works, lest any man should boast.