

The Uncommon Gift

God's greatest gift came in a way no one anticipated — humble, vulnerable, yet full of glory.

Week 2: The Gift You Can't Earn

Ephesians 2:8–9 (NIV) -8 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— **9** not by works, so that no one can boast.

1: Grace Is God's Idea, Not Ours (Ephesians 2:8b)

- Grace originates in God's _____, not our merit.
- Grace is a _____, not a reward.
- Grace is initiated _____ we even ask.

2: Faith Is the Only Way to Receive the Gift (Ephesians 2:8b)

- Faith transfers trust from _____ to God.
- Faith is _____, not passive.
- Faith connects us to grace like a hand reaching for a _____.

3: Works Don't Earn the Gift — They Show You've Received It

Ephesians 2:9

- Good works are the _____ of salvation, not the entrance fee.
- Works flow out of _____, not guilt.
- Boasting is eliminated when works are put in their proper _____.

R.A.P. Challenge (Reflect – Act – Pray)

Reflect: Am I trying to earn something God has already given freely?

Act: Do one act of kindness this week that flows out of gratitude, not pressure.

Pray: “Lord, help me rest in Your grace and reflect Your love through my actions.”