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Grace looks like something



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Grace doesn't add up



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It's only fair



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If you keep a balance sheet on each other's behavior, the addition of one person's downside will subtract from the other person's level of commitment, multiply their frustrations, and ultimately divide their hearts.

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**Fortunately, God does not keep
score the way we do.**



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GOD UNDERSTANDS

Romans 8:15

So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves. Instead, you received God's Spirit when he adopted you as his own children. Now we call him, "Abba, Father."

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GOD UNDERSTANDS

2 Timothy 1:7

For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline.

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GOD SEES US FOR WHAT WE CAN BE

Luke 15:21-22

His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against both heaven and you, and I am no longer worthy of being called your son.'

22 "But his father said to the servants, 'Quick! Bring the finest robe in the house and put it on him. Get a ring for his finger and sandals for his feet.'

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John 8:10-11

Then Jesus stood up again and said to the woman, "Where are your accusers? Didn't even one of them condemn you?"

¹¹ "No, Lord," she said.

And Jesus said, "Neither do I. Go and sin no more."

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GOD SAYS WE HAVE VALUE

Romans 5:8

But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners.

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GOD LIFTS US UP AT OUR LOWEST

Psalm 40:2

He lifted me out of the pit of despair,
out of the mud and the mire.

He set my feet on solid ground
and steadied me as I walked along.

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Romans 5:6

When we were utterly helpless, Christ came at just the right time and died for us sinners.

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GOD RESCUES US

Ephesians 2:4-7

But God is so rich in mercy, and he loved us so much, ⁵ that even though we were dead because of our sins, he gave us life when he raised Christ from the dead. (It is only by God's grace that you have been saved!) ⁶ For he raised us from the dead along with Christ and seated us with him in the

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heavenly realms because we are united with Christ Jesus. ⁷ So God can point to us in all future ages as examples of the incredible wealth of his grace and kindness toward us, as shown in all he has done for us who are united with Christ Jesus.

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GOD MEASURES OUR SIN AGAINST HIS LOVE

Romans 8:1-4

So now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus. ² And because you belong to him, the power of the life-giving Spirit has freed you from the power of sin that leads to death. ³ The law of Moses was unable to save us because of the weakness of our sinful nature. So God did what the law could not do.

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GOD FORGIVES US

Psalm 32:1-2

Oh, what joy for those whose disobedience is forgiven, whose sin is put out of sight!

² Yes, what joy for those whose record the Lord has cleared of guilt, whose lives are lived in complete honesty!

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Isaiah 1:18

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“Though your sins are like scarlet,

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Romans 3:23-24

For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard. ²⁴ Yet God, in his grace, freely makes us right in his sight. He did this through Christ Jesus when he freed us from the penalty for our sins.

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**The grace that saved us can also
redefine us and transform how
we treat others, especially in our
marriage.**



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Our marriage can't come close to what it could be until we accept Christ's work as it truly is, on his gracious terms.



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**It is hard to give what we struggle
to receive.**

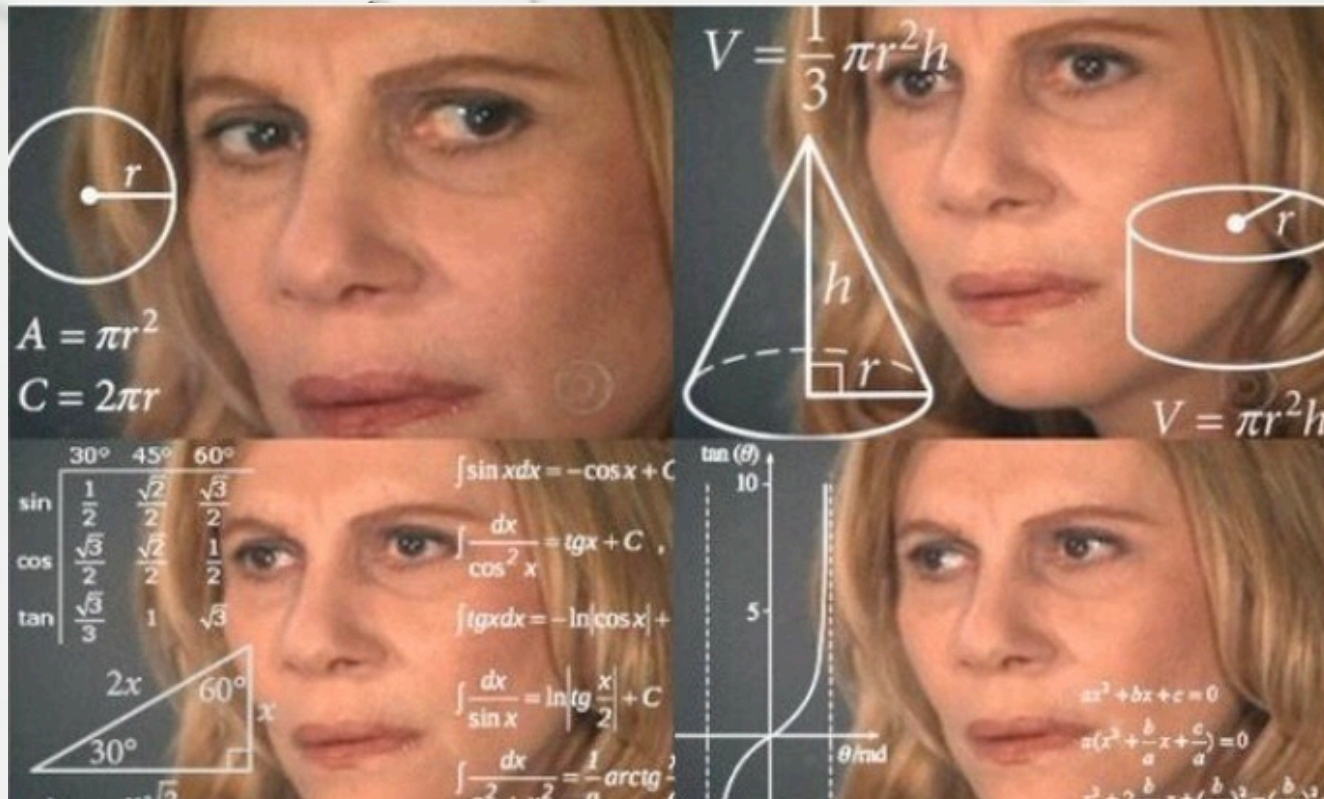


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“Love and Nice are fine features of your relationship, but they won’t get you through the tough stuff.”

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I'm going to give you a wedding gift: a strategy that will serve you well even when life is working overtime to tear your loving and nice hearts apart.

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Here is the big picture strategy for maintaining a heart connection with each other, no matter what life brings your way.

**Treat your spouse the same way
God treats his: with grace**

**Aim your marriage
at true greatness**

Build your collective CHARACTER

Give each other's heart FREEDOM

Meet your spouse's INNER NEEDS

True greatness: a passionate love for Jesus that shows itself in an unquenchable love and concern for each other

Aim at true greatness: Humble Heart, Grateful Heart, Generous Heart, Servant's Heart

**Build CHARACTER:
Faith, Poise, Integrity, Discipline, Endurance,
Courage**

**Give FREEDOMS:
Different Vulnerable, Candid, Make Mistakes**

**Meet INNER NEEDS:
Secure Love, Significant Purpose, Strong Love**

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