



### **Abraham, Isaac and Jacob: the Dawn of a Covenant**

#### Grace Greater Than Human Sin

“Jacob's reprehensible features are rather strongly brought out. This is done in order to show divine grace is not the reward for, but the source of noble traits. Grace overcoming human sin and transforming human nature is the keynote of the revelation here. . . . Jacob is distinguished from Esau by his faith in the promise and blessings of God. He wrongly schemes against his brother because he correctly believes that the birthright in the line of Abraham and Isaac holds tremendous blessing and promise. Despite all of his weaknesses, Jacob lives within the vision of faith.”  
-Dr. Bruce Waltke

“Sin and despair, like the sea-waves cold, Threaten the soul with infinite loss; Grace that is greater- yes, grace untold- Points to the Refuge, the mighty Cross.”  
-Grace Greater Than Our Sin

You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you.  
-John 15:16

## Welcome & Update

### Prelude

Leader: The Lord be with you

**People: And also with you**

### Call to Worship: from Psalm 100:1-2; 5

Leader: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth! Worship the Lord with gladness! Come into God's presence with singing!

**People: For the Lord is a gracious God, whose mercy is everlasting; and whose faithfulness endures to all generations.**

## Songs of Praise

### **O Love That Will Not Let Me Go**

O Love that will not let me go,  
I rest my weary soul in thee;  
I give thee back the life I owe,  
That in thine ocean depths its flow  
May richer, fuller be.

O light that followest all my way,  
I yield my flickering torch to thee;  
My heart restores its borrowed ray,  
That in thy sunshine's blaze its day  
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain,  
I cannot close my heart to thee;  
I trace the rainbow through the rain,  
And feel the promise is not vain,  
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head,  
I dare not ask to fly from thee;  
I lay in dust life's glory dead,  
And from the ground there blossoms red  
Life that shall endless be.

### **Grace Greater than Our Sin**

Marvellous grace of our loving Lord,  
Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt!  
Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured,  
There where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

Grace, grace, God's grace  
Grace that will pardon and cleanse within  
Grace, grace, God's grace  
Grace that is greater than all our sin!

Sin and despair, like the sea waves cold,  
Threaten the soul with infinite loss;  
Grace that is greater, yes, grace untold,  
Points to the refuge, the mighty cross.

Dark is the stain that we cannot hide.  
What can avail to wash it away?  
Look! There is flowing a crimson tide,  
Whiter than snow you may be today.

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace,  
Freely bestowed on all who believe!  
You that are longing to see His face,  
Will you this moment His grace receive?

## Children's Message

### Prayer for the World, the Church & the City

### Confession

**Father God, We have been unfaithful to you and have no robe to cover our sins, no loom to weave our own righteousness. But in the gospel, you clothe us in the best robe, for you have imputed our sin to Jesus and his righteousness to us. By your Spirit, every morning let us wear that robe, every evening return to it, go out to the day's work in it, stand before the throne of grace in it, and enter into the New Creation in it. Help us never to lose sight of the exceeding sinfulness of sin, but the far surpassing righteousness of Christ and wonder of grace. In Jesus' name, Amen.**

### Private Confession

### Assurance of Pardon from Titus 3:3-7

For we ourselves were once foolish, disobedient, led astray, slaves to various passions and pleasures, passing our days in malice and envy, hated by others and hating one another. But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

## Song of Assurance

### **Refiner's Fire**

Purify my heart  
let me be as gold and precious silver  
Purify my heart,  
let me be as gold, pure gold

Refiner's fire  
My heart's one desire  
is to be holy, set apart for you Lord.  
I choose to be holy  
set apart for you my master,  
ready to do your will.

Purify my heart,  
cleanse me from within and make me holy.  
Purify my heart,  
cleanse me from my sin, deep within

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## Tithes and Offerings

credit card and other options such as e-transfers are available  
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## Doxology

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## Scripture - Genesis 25:19-34

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God**

## God's Word Today- Mike Hsu

## Grace Greater Than Human Sin

## Sermon Outline

1. A Great Struggle Within
2. Esau and Jacob and their Father's Weakness
3. Esau's Selling of His Birthright to Jacob
4. Divine Grace Prevailing Despite Human Sinfulness
5. Debtors to Grace

## The Lord's Supper

## The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

**People: We lift them up to the Lord!**

Minister: It is right, and good, and a joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks unto you, O Lord, our Father Almighty, everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your holy name; evermore praising You and singing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth of Your glory are full. Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!**

## Words of Institution and Declaration of Faith

Minister: Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**People: Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again.**

Minister: The gifts of God for the people of God, take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on Him in your hearts by faith and with thanksgiving.

## Song of Thanksgiving

### You Have Won Me

Grace you've shown me grace  
You've lifted my shame  
Drawn me with loving kindness  
Washed whiter than snow  
You have redeemed and made me whole

Jesus you have won me  
You have broken every chain  
With love and mercy  
You have triumphed over death  
And you are worthy  
Of glory and praise

Love you've shown me love  
By leaving your throne  
By bleeding and dying on a cross  
That wonderful cross  
That took all my guilt and sin away

Shout it out and lift up one voice in worship  
Sing it out until all the earth can hear it  
Jesus is alive and He saves He rescues and saves

## Benediction: 2 Cor 13:14

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

## Peace

Minister: The Peace of the Lord be with you all

**People: And also with you**

## Announcements

1. Zoom Prayer Meeting every Thursday 7 to 7:45 pm.  
Zoom link is in Friday Notes & reminder sent on Thursday afternoon
2. Prayer requests & Tithes. Please send to [mail@gracevancouver.com](mailto:mail@gracevancouver.com)
3. INKS Dinner at the Hsu home tonight @ 6pm
4. All Church Potluck- February 19 @ 6pm.
5. Family Drop-In Feb 22 from 9-11am. Come meet our neighbours! Sign-up sheet on back table.
6. Harmonia Concert March 8 @ 7:30pm.

## Tithes up to December 31, 2024

2024 Annual Budget	\$250,000
Giving as of Dec 31, 2024	\$282,873
Giving Last Week	\$5,543

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