

THOUGHTS ON GRACE

1. IT IS ENTIRELY UNMERITED
LIKE SUN OR RAIN, OR LOVE, CANNOT BE EARNED IN ANY WAY
NOT A SHOVE OR A HELPING HAND- BUT THE WHOLE THING
SIMON BAR JONA AND KENN LOGAN RECEIVED SAME GRACE
MOTHER TERESA AND BETTY SAVED IN THE SAME WAY
WE'RE ALL SAVED BY GRACE- GRACE AND NOTHING ELSE
IRREDUCIBLE- CAN DO NOTHING TO CHANGE IT
CHRISTIANS BELIEVE CHRIST DIED FOR ALL SIN- EXCEPT THE
SIN OF NOT BELIEVING
2. GRACE IS HIS NATURE- HAS BEEN AND ALWAYS WILL BE
SCORPION AND EDEN
KARL BARTH- JESUS LOVES ME THIS I KNOW
I HAVE ALREADY BEEN FORGIVEN!
LUTHER SAID "SIN BOLDLY"
AUGUSTINE SAID, "LOVE, AND DO WHAT YOU LIKE"
3. I'VE EXPERIENCED IT!
ONE ADV. OF BEING LOST AND FORGIVEN TIME AND AGAIN
NEVER BEEN UNDER ILLUSION THAT I'VE EARNED WHAT I HAVE
ONLY WAY TO GOD- HAVE MERCY- PLEASE HELP
EXP. AS PARDON, ACCEPTANCE, POWER, AND GRATITUDE
RACEHOSS SAMPLE AND POWER OF GRACE
WHEN R DIED OF AIDS- HE COUNTED ON GRACE- AND
HE SENT SHERRY AND ME A BULB GARDEN OF GRACE
4. YOU NEED IT TOO
ALL SHAPED BY FORCES AND INCIDENTS BEYOND OUR CONTROL
NATURE & NURTURE THAT WE DIDN'T SEEK
CRIPPLES- ALL OF US
SPATULA MINISTRIES- BARBARA JOHNSON
OLD LUMPS OF COAL RIGHT NOW
SCORECARDS ARE KILLING US
COMPARISONS, LIKE RESENTMENT, A CANCER
THOMAS MERTON- QUIT KEEPING SCORE ALTOGETHER &
SURRENDER.
5. WE HAVE A CHOICE
TENBOOM AND SIMON WIESENTHAL
6. IT MAKES PEOPLE MAD OR AT LEAST UNEASY
SHOULD DELIGHT US- SAVED BY GRACE- TULIP CALVINISTS
KNOWING OURSELVES AS SINNERS, WE SHOULD DELIGHT WHEN
OTHERS RECEIVE UNMERITED AND UNEXPECTED JOY

BEUCHNER: PEOPLE PREPARED FOR PRESBYTERIAN POTLUCK
NOT MARRIAGE SUPPER OF THE LAMB
MERTON- WE WANT TO BELIEVE THAT GOD LOVES US
UNCONDITIONALLY, BUT KEEP ADDING CONDITIONS
CANNOT BELIEVE THAT GOD WILL GRACE OUR FAILURES

7. PETER GREAVE ON LEPROSY
8. OLD DEACON SITTING DOWN WITH "HIPPIE"
9. YOUNG GIRL FROM TRAVERSE CITY
10. PASSAGE NOT ABOUT MONEY- BUT GRACE
NOT EARNINGS- BUT GIFTS;
NOT MOTIVATION, BUT SALVATION

11. IMAGO DEI AND BEING SAVED
EMBRACE THE ONE AND ACCEPT THE OTHERS WE
WOULD DANCE WITH LIFE