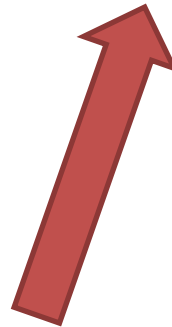
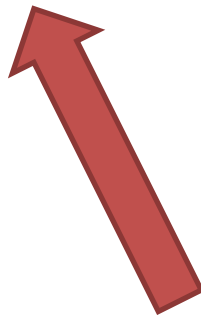
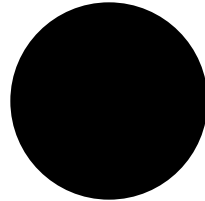
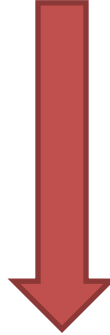




# BLESSED *Assurance*

THIS IS MY STORY, THIS IS MY SONG.

**ALL WE SEE IS**



**WHAT WE DO NOT SEE**



# **EXERTING ONESELF UNDER GRACE**



# Salvation By Grace And Works

- We are saved by GRACE

*Ephesians 2:4-9 (p 1343)*

- We are saved by works

*James 2:17,24,26 (p 1387)*

**What about our failures?**

**Does God's powerful grace make all  
the difference?**

# Exerting Oneself Under Grace

*This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief. **1 Timothy 1:15 (p 1362)***

## **2 Timothy 4:9 (p 1368)**

- *Be diligent; do your best*

## **2 Timothy 4:21 (p 1369)**

- *Do your utmost; do your best*
- **MAKE EVERY EFFORT**

**SPOUDAZO**  
Make haste,  
exert oneself, and  
give diligence

# Exerting Oneself Under Grace

*Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest, lest anyone fall according to the same example of disobedience. **Hebrews 4:11 (p 1375)***

**Diligence: 'constant in effort to accomplish something; attentive and persistent in doing anything'**

***Hebrews 4:16 (p 1376)***

***Hebrews 10:22 (p 1381)***

***Hebrews 10:26 (p 1381)***



# Grace ~ Works ~ Diligence

## 2 Peter 1:1-11 (p 1395)

- Where is GRACE? **Vv1-2**
- What has God done? **Vv3-4**
- Fulfillment of His Grace? **V11**
- Diligence (works) is found in **vv5-10!**

Faith  
Virtue

Knowledge

Self-Control

Patience

Godliness

Bro. Love

Love

**V5**

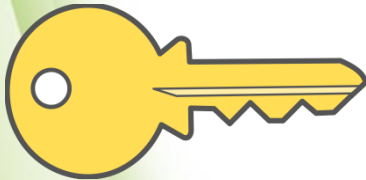
*Giving all diligence*

**V8**

*If these things are yours and abound*

**V10**

*Be even more diligent*



# DILIGENCE

**AND I THANK CHRIST JESUS OUR LORD WHO HAS ENABLED ME,  
BECAUSE HE COUNTED ME FAITHFUL, PUTTING ME INTO THE  
MINISTRY, ALTHOUGH I WAS FORMERLY A BLASPHEMER, A  
PERSECUTOR, AND AN INSOLENT MAN; BUT I OBTAINED MERCY  
BECAUSE I DID IT IGNORANTLY IN UNBELIEF. AND THE GRACE OF OUR  
LORD WAS EXCEEDINGLY ABUNDANT, WITH FAITH AND LOVE WHICH  
ARE IN CHRIST JESUS. THIS IS A FAITHFUL SAYING AND WORTHY OF  
ALL ACCEPTANCE, THAT CHRIST JESUS CAME INTO THE WORLD TO  
SAVE SINNERS, OF WHOM I AM CHIEF. HOWEVER, FOR THIS REASON  
I OBTAINED MERCY, THAT IN ME FIRST JESUS CHRIST MIGHT SHOW  
ALL LONGSUFFERING, AS A PATTERN TO THOSE WHO ARE GOING TO  
BELIEVE ON HIM FOR EVERLASTING LIFE.**

***1 TIMOTHY 1:12-16 (P 1362)***



I HAVE FOUGHT THE GOOD FIGHT, I HAVE FINISHED THE RACE, I  
HAVE KEPT THE FAITH. FINALLY, THERE IS LAID UP FOR ME THE  
CROWN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS, WHICH THE LORD, THE RIGHTEOUS  
JUDGE, WILL GIVE TO ME ON THAT DAY, AND NOT TO ME ONLY BUT  
ALSO TO ALL WHO HAVE LOVED HIS APPEARING.

***2 TIMOTHY 4:7-8 (P 1368)***

AND THIS IS THE TESTIMONY: THAT GOD HAS GIVEN US ETERNAL  
LIFE, AND THIS LIFE IS IN HIS SON. HE WHO HAS THE SON HAS LIFE;  
HE WHO DOES NOT HAVE THE SON OF GOD DOES NOT HAVE LIFE.  
THESE THINGS I HAVE WRITTEN TO YOU WHO BELIEVE IN THE NAME  
OF THE SON OF GOD, THAT YOU MAY KNOW THAT  
YOU HAVE ETERNAL LIFE, AND THAT YOU MAY CONTINUE  
TO BELIEVE IN THE NAME OF THE SON OF GOD.

***1 JOHN 5:11-13 (P 1402)***

Whoever believes and is  
baptized will be saved,  
but whoever does not  
believe will be  
condemned.

(Mark 16:16 ESV)