

## Correction to Perfection: 1 Corinthians

Marvelous Grace

1 Corinthians 1:4-9

### i. What is grace? *Grace is undeserved kindness or favor.*

*Titus 2:11-13*

- \* *Past Grace--the unmerited undeserved favor of God that brings us eternal life through the forgiveness of our \_ sins \_ in Jesus Christ.*
- \* *Present grace--God's ongoing, enabling \_\_power\_\_ to love him, live for him, honor him, and serve him throughout our earthly life.*
- \* *Future grace is the continual awareness and eager anticipation of the \_\_return\_\_ of Christ.*

### I. Past Grace For \_\_Salvation\_\_! 1 Corinthians 1:4-6

A. Past grace was ‘\_given\_’ to you. (V/4) *Ephesians 2:4-5, 8-9*

1. *This grace was given to you when the Holy Spirit \_\_opened\_\_ your heart and mind and you fully trusted Jesus Christ. It was a definite place in the past.*

B. Past grace has ‘\_enriched\_’ you. (V/5)

1. *Because you are ‘in Christ’ all the \_\_riches\_\_ of Christ are yours. 2 Corinthians 8:9*

2. *God has given you everything you need to \_\_accomplish\_\_ everything for him. 2 Peter 1:3*

3. *You know everything you need to know to say everything you need to say, right \_\_now\_\_.*

C. Past grace was ‘confirmed \_in\_ and \_among\_’ you. (V/6)

1. *The gospel is confirmed ‘in’ us when we \_\_trust\_\_ Christ.  
Romans 8:16*

### II. Present Grace For \_\_Service\_\_! 1 Corinthians 1:7

A. The ‘*testimony of Christ*’ is continually confirmed among them by the way they serve each other in the realm of their spiritual \_\_gift(s)\_\_.

B. God gave you a special ability to honor him and serve others and when we use our gifts the reality of the \_\_gospel\_\_ is confirmed ‘among’ us.

C. The motivation for using the ‘grace-gifts’ God has given us is the \_\_return\_\_ of Christ.

D. Present grace, in us, serves, knowing that the \_\_\_\_\_ isn’t here, but is yet to come and we want to please the one whom we serve and who is coming. **Revelation 22:12**

### III. Future Grace For \_\_Security\_\_! 1 Corinthians 1:8

A. The work of \_\_grace\_\_, from beginning to end and all the in-between, is a work of God.

*Philippians 1:6; 2 Timothy 1:12*

- B. The end result is that we are ‘\_\_guiltless\_\_.’  
*Romans 8:33; 1 Thessalonians 3:13; Ephesians 5:26-27; Jude 1:24*

**Paul’s Conclusion**

- i. God is faithful because that is \_\_who\_\_ he is.  
*Deuteronomy 7:9*
- ii. God is faithful because of who \_\_we\_\_ are to him.  
*Romans 8:30*