

## Prophetic Word for 2009: Lifting Up the Grace of God - Heb. 13:9

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#### Introduction

- \* Heb 13:9 - "It is good for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by foods"
- \* The particular aspect of grace I hear God zeroing in on for us in this new year is **it's ability to lift us up when we are down, to empower us when we are weak, and make us strong again when we are exhausted.**
- \* Isa 40:31 says..."They who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint."
- \* In 2009, I believe the Holy Spirit is saying, there is an open heaven, an open sky, a tsunami of grace that's for the taking if you want it.
- \* To be perfectly clear, let's define the kind of grace I'm talking about: "it's the enablement of God to meet life's daily challenges in the same way that Jesus would."
- \* Paul said it this way:  
2 Cor 1:12 "For our boast is this...the testimony of our conscience [is this]... that we behaved in the world with simplicity and godly sincerity, not by earthly wisdom but by the grace of God."
- \* **that is what we're after in a fresh way...to live by the grace of God in 2009.**

#### Filling up your Grace Gas Tank

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Isa 30:15 "For thus said the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel, "In returning and rest you shall be saved; in quietness and in trust shall be your strength."  
Mk 6:31 "And He said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a secluded place and rest a while." (For there were many *people* coming and going; they did not even have time to eat.)"
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2 Pet 1:2 "May grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord."  
1 Pet 1:13 "Set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ."  
Mt. 4:4 But He answered and said, "It is written, 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God.'"
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Isa 40:31 "They who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint."  
Pslm 96:6 "Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary."  
Ps 37:7 "Rest in the LORD and wait patiently for Him."
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2 Ki 6:15 "Now when the attendant of the man of God had risen early and gone out, behold, an army with horses and chariots was circling the city. And his servant said to him, "Alas, my master! What shall we do?" 16 So he answered, "**Do not fear, for those**

**who are with us are more than those who are with them.”** 17 Then Elisha prayed and said, “O LORD, I pray, open his eyes that he may see.” And the LORD opened the servant’s eyes and he saw; and behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.

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1Co 14:4 “One who speaks in a tongue edifies himself.”

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Prov 15:22 “Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers they succeed.”  
Pr 13:20 “He who walks with wise men will be wise.”

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James 4:6 “God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.”

Jer. 17:7 “Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD And whose trust is the LORD.

8 “For he will be like a tree planted by the water, That extends its roots by a stream And will not fear when the heat comes; But its leaves will be green, And it will not be anxious in a year of drought Nor cease to yield fruit.

Pslm 84:5 “Blessed are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.”

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1 Chron 16:11 “Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually!”

Pslm 105:4 “Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually!”

### What happens when we’re in grace?

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1Co 13:4 “Love is patient, love is kind.”

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1Co 1:3 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.  
nearly every book relates grace and peace

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Prov 24:5 A wise man is full of strength, and a man of knowledge enhances his might.

Eccles 7:19 Wisdom gives strength to the wise man more than ten rulers who are in a city.

Mt 7:7 “Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.

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1 Pet 5:10 And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you.

Lk 9:51 When the days were approaching for His ascension, He was determined to go to Jerusalem;

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2 Cor 12:9 But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

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1 Cor 15:10 But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God.

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Ps 37:34\* Wait for the LORD and keep His way, And He will exalt you to inherit the land.

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Lu 2:52 And Jesus kept increasing in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.  
Acts 4:33 "... abundant grace was upon them all (the church)... 5:13 ...and the people (in the city) held them in high esteem.

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Titus 2:11 For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men, 12 instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age.

Rom 5:20 Now the law came in to increase the trespass, but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more.

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Acts 6:8 Stephen, full of grace and power, was doing great wonders and signs among the people.

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Ac 11:23 Then when he arrived and witnessed the grace of God (1<sup>st</sup> multi-ethnic congregation), he rejoiced and *began* to encourage them all with resolute heart to remain *true* to the Lord;

Heb. 12:15 See to it that no one comes short of the grace of God; that no root of bitterness springing up causes trouble, and by it many be defiled (Less strife, gossip, backbiting).

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Pslm 59:16 But I will sing of your strength; I will sing aloud of your steadfast love in the morning. For you have been to me a fortress and a refuge in the day of my distress. 17 O my Strength, I will sing praises to you, for you, O God, are my fortress, the God who shows me steadfast love.

Pslm 118:14 The Lord is my strength and my song; • he has become my salvation.

Isa 12:2 "Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for the Lord God is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation."

## Closing

\* Word for 2009: Year of Grace - open skies, open heaven.

\* There is a storehouse of strength available to us to **meet life's daily challenge in the grace of God.**

2 Cor 9:8 God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work.

2 Tim 2:1 You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus,

2Ti 4:22 The Lord be with your spirit. ***Grace be with you!***