

# **God of Grace!**

**Exodus 34:1-9 (text: 34:6-7)**

*Theme: God's holy justice does not prevent Him from being a God of grace and mercy.*

# What is the Gospel?

*What one word describes the Bible message...*

*...you most needed to hear as an unbeliever?*

**Gospel!**

*...you most need to hear as a believer?*

**Gospel!**

The Gospel is the *gateway* into  
the Christian life.

The Gospel is also the *pathway*  
of the Christian life.

The Gospel is about salvation from  
sin's *penalty*.

The Gospel is about salvation from  
sin's *power and influence*.

This is obviously good news!

***The Gospel is good news  
about God.***

# God's Revelation to Moses

## (Exodus 34:6-7)

God revealed to Moses that:

**1. He is just** (Exodus 34:7c-d).

–God always acts in a right way,  
*cf.* Deut. 32:4.

–He will not let the guilty go  
unpunished. *Cf.* 2 Sam. 6:5-9.

We deserve to be judged  
immediately for our sin.

**2. He is compassionate  
(merciful) and gracious** (Exodus  
34:6-7a-b).

God withholds the punishment we  
deserve while pouring out blessing  
upon us:

God **could not** be holy without being just and righteous.

God **could** be holy without being merciful and gracious.

God will always dispense just judgment but He does not always do it *immediately*. This has ensured the continued existence of the human race, *cf.* Job 34:14-15.

God's offer of salvation to all – deliverance from the penalty of sin and the power of sin – is the foremost evidence of His mercy and grace, *cf.* Mk. 16:15; Is. 1:18; Jn. 3:16.

God can offer salvation because Jesus Christ became the Substitute of His people by living a perfect life yet having God's just action against sin put upon Him when He was on the Cross, *cf.* 1 Pet. 2:24.

*Are you recognizing the day of  
grace and mercy now?*

*Or are you taking God's grace and  
mercy for granted?*

*Have you accepted His offer of  
salvation?*

*Are you experiencing salvation?*

God's **holy justice** does not prevent Him from being a God of **grace and mercy**.

This is good news.

What is the Gospel?

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