

# THE PURIFYING POWER OF LIVING BY FAITH IN... **FUTURE GRACE**

## **Study Guide**

### III. The Crucial Place of Bygone Grace

#### Chapter Seven, Looking Back for the Sake of the Future

1. Explain your understanding of the statement, "...confidence in someone's reliability is grounded in a history of past faithfulness."

#### **The Past-ward Flow of Infinite Future Grace**

2. Using the 2 examples given, explain how they effect future grace.

#### **Past Grace in the Down Payment of Future Grace**

3. How is past grace continually accumulating?

#### **An Old Testament Pattern Looking Back for the Sake of the Future**

4. Using the 3 patterns given, explain how faith/lack of faith in future grace brought about the responses.

5. Using Is 46: 9-10 Explain what God commands about remembering bygone grace.

#### **Now the Grace of God has Come in Jesus**

6. What past grace is perhaps the greatest grace in world history? Use scripture, given or other to prove this.

#### **All the Promises of Future Grace are Yes in Christ**

7. Rewrite the question being asked in the first paragraph as you understand it.

8. Explain how Paul's heart to the Corinthians and God's heart to all believers is always yes.

### **All Future Grace is Ours in Christ**

9. Who are Christ's? Who is God's decisive Yes in Christ Jesus to/for?

### **The Magnificent Meaning of Amen**

10. Explain the meaning of the word "amen". How is it our "yes" to God?

### **All Prayer Seeks God's Yes Through Jesus**

11. How is Jesus God's YES to us for all the future grace that we seek in prayer?

### **The Giver of Grace Gets the Glory**

12. How does our "amen" affirm that God is the bountiful Giver and I/we am/are the needy receiver/s?

### **Prayer Goes to the Bank Called Future Grace**

13. How is prayer drawing on the account where God has deposited all his promises of future grace?

### **"AMEN" is our Yes to Future Grace**

14. Explain how prayer is an exclamation point of hope after a prayer for help.

### **In Jesus Name, Amen**

15. How is this statement a "yes" to a "yes"?

### **Forsaking the No, Maybe and Not now for Yes**

16. Can you pray the prayer that John Piper has included in this last section. Why/why not?