



Reigning grace is that grace that rules over you as truth, righteousness, joy, and hope. Reigning grace never forces but leads you in holiness, mercy, and consistency. Reigning grace guards our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus sending out ministering spirits to comfort us, protect us, and guide us. Reigning grace is patient with our progress, our gaining, and sometimes losing ground in this walk of faith. Reigning grace prods us along calling us to higher ground where our eyes can see the vistas of God's greatness and beauty. Reigning grace makes all things new, shows us what is best, and turns the mundane into the miraculous.

Reigning grace pours out upon us wisdom so liberally - all we have to do is ask for it. Reigning grace keeps us on the narrow way as sojourners and pilgrims saying "this is the way - walk here." Reigning grace takes us from glory to glory with ever increasing faith. Reigning grace lets us behold His glory and see Him as He is - the beautiful one - the everlasting One. Reigning grace lets us behold him so that we are changed and transformed into His image. Reigning grace lets us bear the image of the heavenly. Reigning grace brings us into newness of life as old things pass away and behold all things become new.

Reigning grace sifts us like wheat, drawing away the chaff that grows around the wheat, yielding a rich, bountiful harvest in our lives.

Reigning grace transforms our minds, giving us the mind of Christ. Our thoughts were once not like His thoughts but now have become more like His. Reigning grace renews the spirit of our minds and helps us put off the old man with its lusts and selfish desires. Reigning grace purges us of our sins washing us with the pure water of the word of God.

Reigning grace opens the windows of heaven and pours out upon us blessings we cannot contain. Reigning grace satisfies our mouth with good things, renews our strength like the eagle's, causes us to walk and not be the least bit weary, run this race before us and not faint. Reigning grace causes our cup to run over and tells goodness and mercy to follow us all the days of our lives. We have plenty to share and never know lack. We have more than enough to fulfill Christ's call on our lives here on earth. Reigning grace supplies all of our needs according to His riches in glory.

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Reigning grace brings us the shalom of God. It makes more things here on earth the way they ought to be. When we pray "Thy Kingdom come," we can now enjoy some of heaven here on earth. Love has more power, kindness has greater influence, joy is so much sweeter. It causes us to rest, to find comfort, to lie down in the green pastures and drink from the still waters. Shalom brings the rod and staff of the shepherd to us. He watches over us in this reigning grace and protects what is rightfully His. Reigning grace puts a hedge of protection all about us, keeping the wolves of temptation, sin, and death from destroying us.

Reigning grace teaches us all things. We are no longer slaves to the doctrines of men or the lies of the devil. Reigning grace reveals the

truth and sets us free from the bondage of the enemies' propaganda. Reigning grace satisfies every longing of our hearts and minds.

Reigning grace gives us purpose and promise. We have been called with a holy calling and bought with a price. Reigning grace keeps us from burying our talents in the ground bringing shame to the one who left us in charge of investing what he entrusted to us. It helps us to multiply every gift not for selfish gain but for the glory of His name and the advancement of His kingdom. Reigning grace challenges us to develop and use our spiritual gifts, to be givers and not takers, to fulfill His greatest call on our lives.

Reigning grace saves our households. Reigning grace shows us how to be a dad, a mom, how to raise children that will grow in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. Reigning grace shows us how to be the priests of our homes as Christ is our high priest. We are spiritual fathers and mothers teaching our children

Reigning grace lets us see the world as Jesus saw it... as sheep scattered without a shepherd. Reigning grace gives us compassion for the lost and compel us to go into the highways of the world and compel the lost to come to his banquet table. Reigning grace will help us lay our lives down for others. Reigning grace will teach us to love as Christ loved.

Reigning grace helps us fight the good fight of faith. It helps us persevere when all around us seems hopeless. Reigning grace strengthens us, and helps us and causes us to stand. Reigning grace helps us sing his praises even if our hands and feet are in stocks, and when the jail doors swing open, we're ready to share Jesus with those who spitefully used us. Reigning grace will keep us steadfast and immovable, planting our feet on a solid foundation, not on shifting

sand. It helps us be unashamed of this gospel, of Jesus and of the appearance of foolishness, even when the world says we're wrong.

Reigning grace helps us to be encouragers of one another, raise the down-trodden, accept the outcast. We become helpers of the weak and healers of the sick. We are sowers of the seed knowing that as we sow the reapers will be overtaking us soon. We're confident of our task, know our calling, and believe that through Christ we can do all things as He strengthens us. Reigning grace lifts our heads out of the ashes and crowns those heads with joy. Reigning grace encourages us to have a living hope ... His name is Jesus!

Reigning grace has given us a new family. It invites us to relationship with the lover of our souls. We experience the beauty of His presence, the wonder of His love, and the assurance that we belong to Him. Reigning grace gives us confidence to come before the throne of grace, not as cowards or those with who never know if they are welcomed there. Reigning grace doesn't call us to stand alone before the great throne of God, no ... it offers us a seat for we have been raised up from the place of death and are seated with Him in heavenly places. He has a future and a hope for us... plans to wonderfully use us to display the riches of His grace and kindness in the ages to come!

**You are called by overwhelming grace to rule and reign in this life...  
Reign with Him and enjoy Him forever.**

In all of these things, overwhelming grace reigns over us and because it reigns in us, we reign in life. Remember that I said within the first two minutes of last week's message, Grace is not an idea, and abstract construct or a theory... Grace is a person... His name is Jesus. We do not ask for grace, but we ask for Jesus. Reigning grace is King Jesus reigning over us and in us!!