

## West Valley Church of Christ – January 19, 2025

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Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday Devotional: 6:30 p.m.

### **GRACE IS GREAT**

The grace of God is best expressed as getting God's absolute best when we deserve the absolute worst. Before a person becomes a Christian, he lives in a spiritual graveyard (Romans 3:23). The coroner's report from God declares all have fallen short of God's grace and in essence exist in a spiritual mortuary. Now there may be varying degrees of decay. Some are sick and dead, others poor and dead, some white and dead, some black and dead, but all are equally dead, meaning "without the life of God in them." The apostle Paul wrote by inspiration Ephesian 2:2-7, and the powerful words should leap off the page and grab our attention. God's grace rescued us from the eternal and hideous consequences of sin, while we were yet ignorant of our impending tragedy. God made us alive with Christ when we were dead in sin. I like the story of the Indian who had become a Christian. Some of his peers began to observe how different his lifestyle had become and asked, "What has caused such a change?" He looked on the ground and found a worm; then he put it on some leaves and set them aflame. Just before the fire got to the worm, he reached down and rescued the worm out of the flames and held it before his friends and said, "Me, worm." That is what God's grace does for all who look to Him by faith in Christ (Galatians 3:26-27).



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