

NEW HOPE COMMUNITY CHURCH Topical Study: GOD'S UNCONDITIONAL GRACE SESSION TWO: COMMON GRACE











B. The THREE POINTS to COMMON GRACE.

1. The FAVORABLE **ATTITUDE** of **GOD** on ALL people in ALL parts of the earth at ALL times. (Tit. 2:11)

* Every breath that the wicked man takes substantiate the **GRACE** of our HOLY GOD. (Lk. 6:35c,36)

* GOD'S PATIENCE for HIS own is totally different from HIS PATIENCE with those whom He has not **CHOSEN**. (Psalm 37:24-40)

2. The RESTRAINT of SIN in the life of the individual and in society. (Gen. 20:6; Ex. 34:23,24)

* When GOD hardens the hearts of individuals, He does so by **RELEASING HIS RESTRAINT** on their **HEARTS**, by giving them over to the SIN that resides in their HEART. (Ex. 4:21; Jos. 11:20; Isa. 63:17; Psalm 81:11-14)

* If God did not **RESTRAIN** the **EVIL** that resides in the HEART of ALL men, HUMANITY would have destroyed itself centuries ago. (Gen. 6:5; Jer. 17:9-11)

3. The "CIVIC RIGHTEOUSNESS" by the UNREGENERATE. (Rom.2:14)

* GOD restraining the **HEARTS** of the **UNREDEEMED** becomes clear when we understand the biblical doctrine of TOTAL **DEPRAVITY**. (Rom. 3:9-18)

* GOD'S SOVEREIGN **PLAN of COMMON GRACE** is given to ALL MEN where we see GOD'S PURPOSES STAND, GOD'S PEOPLE are BLESSED, and the GLORY of GOD is MAGNIFIED.

• "APART from GOD' S **GRACE** man is **HELPLESS** and HOPELESS." (Matt.19:25,26)