



Where on Earth Does God Live?

Focus God cannot accommodate sin and will not live in a dirty house. By God's grace and through Jesus' sacrifice on the cross, we've been made clean, and He lives in us forever.

Open What is your favorite type of house? Describe it.

Read Jesus didn't come to modify our behavior. He came to cleanse our hearts to create a dwelling place for God. God's Word says that we're His permanent dwelling place (John 14:16). Since God can't live in a dirty house and He lives in us, we can walk with assurance that Jesus has made us clean *forever*.

We may have a wrong ("dirty") thought or act, but, as believers, it doesn't make us dirty. We're still clean before God and He still lives in us. When Jesus took our sins upon Himself on the cross, His sacrifice made us clean (righteous) forever. This is the grace of God.

Talk

1. Read 1 Corinthians 6:19–20. Think about the fact that if you are a believer, Almighty God lives in *you*. *You* house His presence, His glory and His power every day, forever. How do you feel about that?

2. Read the following verses: John 1:14, John 8:36, Romans 3:23–24, Romans 5:1–2, Romans 8:1–2, Romans 11:6, Galatians 2:20–21, Ephesians 2:8–9. Based on these verses and upon what you have learned throughout this series, what do you believe are foundational truths about the grace of God?
3. What do you believe hinders Christians from fully understanding and walking in the grace of God?
4. What are the most important change(s) in your thinking or relationship with God that have been prompted by studying God's grace?

Live

1. *"The greatest constraining power against sin is the love of God and the grace of God."*
~ Pastor Clark Whitten
Why do you think that is?
2. If God were to write a note directly to you about His love and grace towards you, what specifically do you think He would say? Write down the thoughts and impressions that come to your mind.

Pray

As a group or in groups of two or three, thank God for His grace. Ask Him to show you who He really is and the extent of His goodness in your lives. Thank Him for your eternal freedom that was purchased by Jesus on the cross. Invite the Holy Spirit to dwell in you "richly" and to lead you into a more intimate relationship with God.