Grace Zacchaeus Example

(based on Tim Howey's sermon)
Grace is unique to Christianity, ***Eph 1:3-10***.

Zacchaeus didn't deserve God's amazing grace.

- Zachaeus was hated as a rich tax collector, but he did things most rich people don't do, ***Luke 19:1-4***. He stopped what he was doing, ran to see Jesus, and climbed up a tree to see Jesus.
- Jesus saw Zacchaeus, ***Luke 19:5-7***. Jesus knew about the sins Zacchaeus had committed, but He called him by name. Though Jesus didn't approve of Zacchasues' sins, He loved him and wanted to reach him by visiting him.
- Zacchaeus did what Jesus asked, ***Luke 19:8-11***. Zacchaeus thought salvation was about what he did to pay for his sins. Jesus explained that you cannot earn salvation. Salvation is a who, not a what. Jesus = Jehoshua = God is salvation. When you open the door and let Him in, salvation enters.

You are Like Zacchaeus in two ways.

	Zacchaeus	You
1	Jesus asked Zacchaeus to let Him in.	Jesus calls you and waits for you to open the door, ***Rev 3:20***.
2	Zacchaeus didn't deserve God's amazing grace.	Before you accept Jesus, you are an enemy of God, ***Rom 5:6-10***.

Jesus sacrificed Himself for you.

- He died for you, ***Rom 5:6-8***.
- When you accept Him as Lord and Savior:
  - He justifies you by His blood, ***Rom 5:9***.
  - He saves you from God's wrath, ***Rom 5:9***.
  - He reconciles you to God, ***Rom 5:10***.

Grace Self-Assessment

How true are the following statements for you?

	not true <—>fully true
I understand that I don't deserve God's grace.	1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5
I know that I cannot earn salvation.	1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5
I know that Jesus wants me to accept Him so He can give me salvation.	1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5
I opened the door to Jesus and now I follow Him through His Word.	1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5

Jesus knocks; He calls to thee;
"Weary one, O come to me;"
He can save, and only He;
Open wide the door.

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