Extravagant Grace and Transformative Truth

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John 1:14-18

And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth. John testified about Him and cried out, saying, "This was He of whom I said, 'He who comes after me has a higher rank than I, for He existed before me." For of His fullness we have all received, and grace upon grace. For the Law was given through Moses; grace and truth were realized through Jesus Christ. No one has seen God at any time; the only begotten God who is in the bosom of the Father, He has explained Him.

We make God known by proclaiming the grace and truth of Jesus Christ.

Extravagant Grace

We will *generously demonstrate God's extravagant grace* by loving, accepting, and forgiving everyone on our journey toward full devotion to Christ.

What? Ephesians 2:8; John 1:16

How? Philippians 2:3; James 2:9; Matthew 5:44; Matthew 11:28; Romans 15:7; Colossians 3:13

Why? 1 John 2:6; 1 John 2:11; Matthew 6:14-15

Transformative Truth

We will *clearly and accurately preach and teach God's Word*, the lifechanging message of Christ, in ways that touch and transform lives.

What? 2 Timothy 3:16

How? Romans 10:14

Why? 2 Corinthians 5:17