ALL GRACE: FROM START TO FINISH

January 14, 2026 – Wednesday 'RECHARGE' Adult Bible Study – Pastor Ben Nistor

TITUS 2:11–14 English Standard Version (ESV)

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REVIEW from SUNDAY:

1) **Grace has <u>appeared</u> – giving us a totally new foundation**
   vs 11 *For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people…*

2) **Grace <u>trains</u> us – our present formation**
   vs 12 *…training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age.*

3) **Grace <u>orients</u> our <u>hope</u> – our future expectation**
   vs 13 *…waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ."*

4) **Grace redeems God's <u>people</u> – our identity together**
   vs 14 *…who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.*

THE STAGES OF OUR SALVATION

1) Our Salvation is PLANNED by our GRACIOUS GOD

A) The <u>ETERNAL</u> <u>CALLING</u> AND <u>ELECTION</u> of God
Matthew: 22:14; Ephesians 1:3-5, 11; Romans 8:29-30; 9:6-23; 2 Thessalonians 2:13; 2 Timothy 1:9; 1 Peter 1:1-2; Revelation 13:8

2) Our Salvation is ACCOMPLISHED through the GRACE OF CHRIST

A) The <u>ATONEMENT</u> of CHRIST
Isa 53:4-6, 10-12; Rom 3:23-26; 5:8-11; 2 Cor 5:14-21; 1 Tim 1:15; Heb 9:28; 1 Pet 3:18; Rev 5:9

B) The <u>RESURRECTION</u> of CHRIST
Jn 11:25826; Acts 2:24836; 5:30831; 13:30839; Rom 1:4; 4:25; 8:34; 1 Cor 15:17, 20823; 1 Pet 1:3; 3:18; Heb 7:23825

3) Our Salvation is APPLIED through the GRACIOUS HOLY SPIRIT

A) God's effectual calling and drawing near
Jn 6:44, 65; 10:3-5, 26-27; Acts 2:39; 16:14; Rom 8:28, 30; 1 Thes 1:4-5; 2 Thes 2:13-14; 2 Tim 1:9; Heb 9:15; 1 Pet 5:10

B) Our <u>REGENERATION</u> through the Holy Spirit
Jn 1:13; 3:3-8; 6:63; Tit 3:5; 1 Pet 1:3

C) Our <u>CONVERSION</u> through <u>FAITH</u> and <u>REPENTANCE</u>
Mk 1:15; Jn 3:16; Acts 3:19; Rom 10:9; Eph 2:8

D) Our <u>JUSTIFICATION</u>
Rom 3:21-4:8; 5:15-19; Gal 2:16, 21; Phil 3:9; 2 Cor 5:21

E) Our <u>SANCTIFICATION</u>
2 Cor 3:18; 7:1; Gal 4:19; Eph 4:15; Phil 2:12-13; 1 Thes 4:3-8; Heb 10:4; 13:21; 1 Pet 2:2; 2 Pet 3:18

F) Our <u>UNION</u> with <u>CHRIST</u>
Jn 15:4-6; Rom 5:12-19; 6:1-11; 1 Cor 1:30; 15:20-23, 2 Cor 5:17; Gal 2:20; Eph 1:3-6; 11; 2:5-6; Col 2:11-13; 20; 3:1-3; 2 Tim 2:19

G) Our <u>ETERNAL</u> SECURITY
Jn 6:37-40; 10:28-29; 17; Rom 8:28-39; 1 Cor 1:8-9; 2 Cor 1:21-22; Eph 1:13-14; Phil 1:6; 2 Thes 3:3; 2 Tim 1:12; 1 Pet 1:4-5; Jude 24

H) Our <u>FRUIT</u> and <u>GOOD</u> WORKS
Mt 3:8; Jn 15:4-8; Gal 5:16-23; Eph 2:10; Js 2:14-26; 1 Jn 3:6-10

I) Our <u>PERSEVERANCE</u> in the faith
Mt 4:1-20; 24:13; Col 1:22-23; Heb 3:14; 10:36; 1 Pet 1:5; 1 Jn 2:19

J) Our <u>RESURRECTION</u> and <u>GLORIFICATION</u>
Jn 6:39-40; Rom 8:17, 23, 29-30; 1 Cor 15:20-23; 35-57; Eph 1:18; Phil 3:11, 21; 2 Thes 2:14; 2 Tim 2:10; 1 Jn 3:2; Rev 20:4-6

SO WHAT??

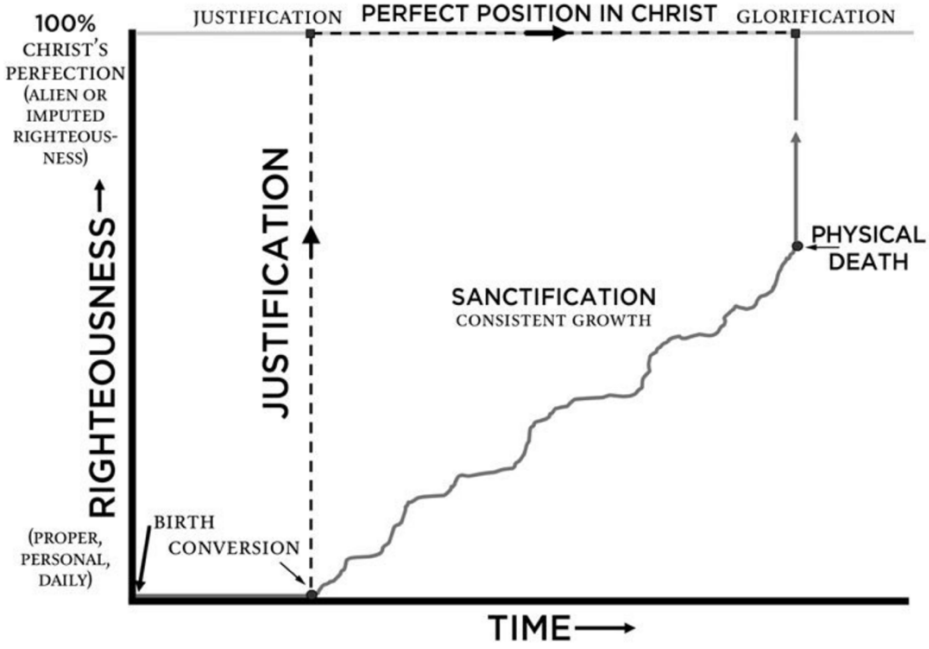
We can remember and appreciate theological truths without seeing these truths active in our lives. If all of our lives are "ALL GRACE" from start to finish, then we should be able to make a chart showing key moments of God's grace in our lives.
Making a visual record of God's faithfulness through stages of salvation reminds us that his grace is still at work!
God finishes what he starts in us. See Philippians 1:6:

> *And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.*

CHARTING GOD'S GRACE IN OUR SALVATION

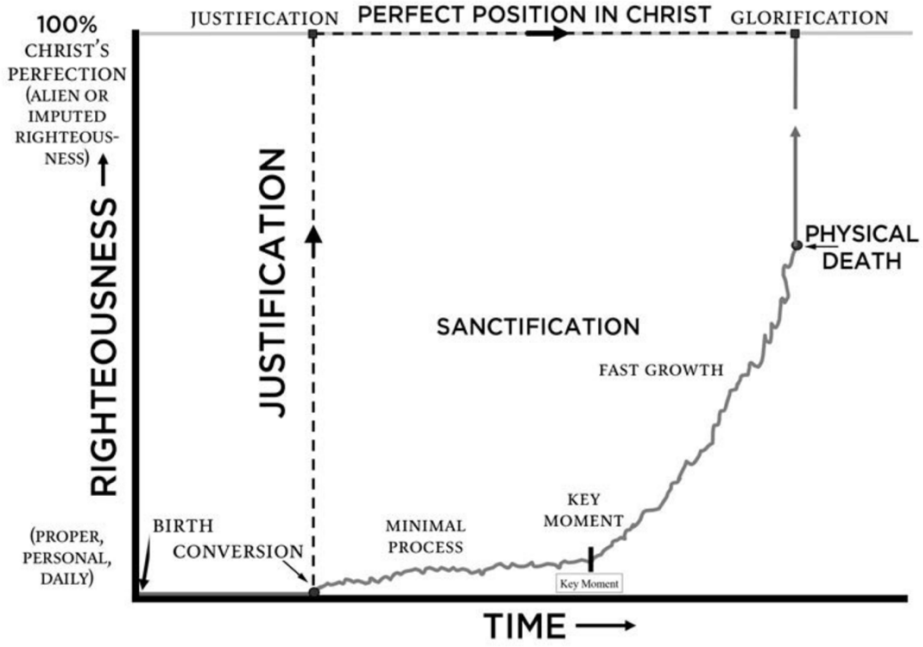
1) <u>Consistent</u>, <u>abundant</u> fruitfulness – What God expects from Believers (see *Colossians 2:6–7*)

6 Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, 7 <u>rooted</u> and <u>built up</u> in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, <u>abounding</u> in thanksgiving.



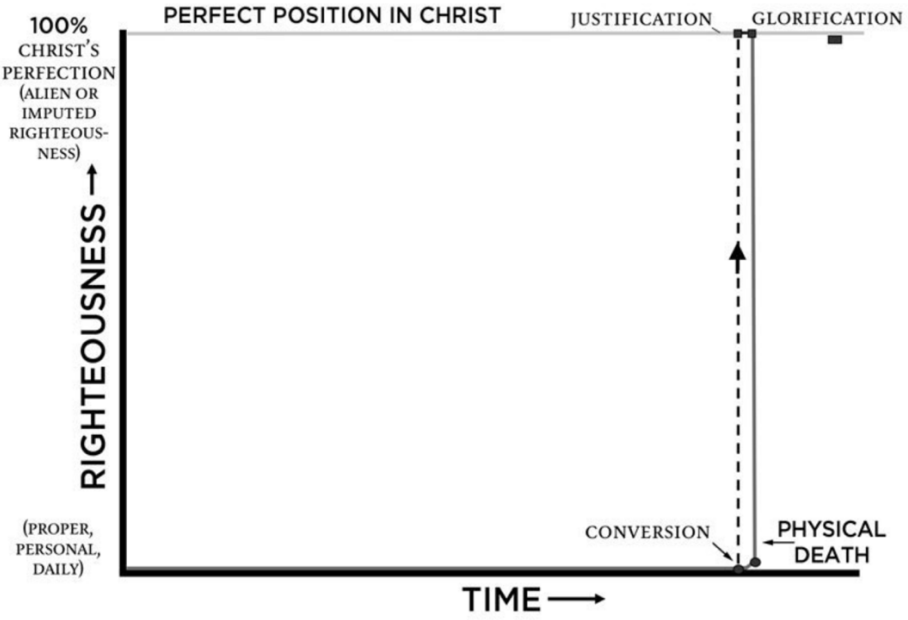
2) A <u>late</u> bloomer – *Hebrews 5:12;* John Mark (*Acts 13:13; 15:38; 2 Tim 4:11*)

11 About this we have much to say, and it is hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing. 12 For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the basic principles of the oracles of God. You need milk, not solid food,



3) The <u>thief</u> on the cross – *Luke 23:39-43*

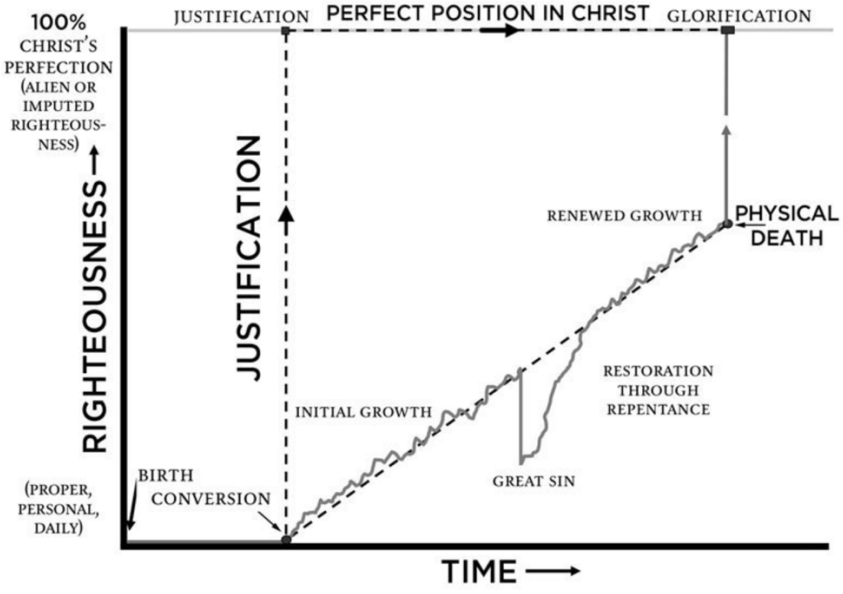
39 One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" 40 But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? 41 And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." 42 And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." 43 And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise."



4) Being <u>restored</u> from great sin – *2 Samuel 11–12; Matthew 26:74–75; John 21*

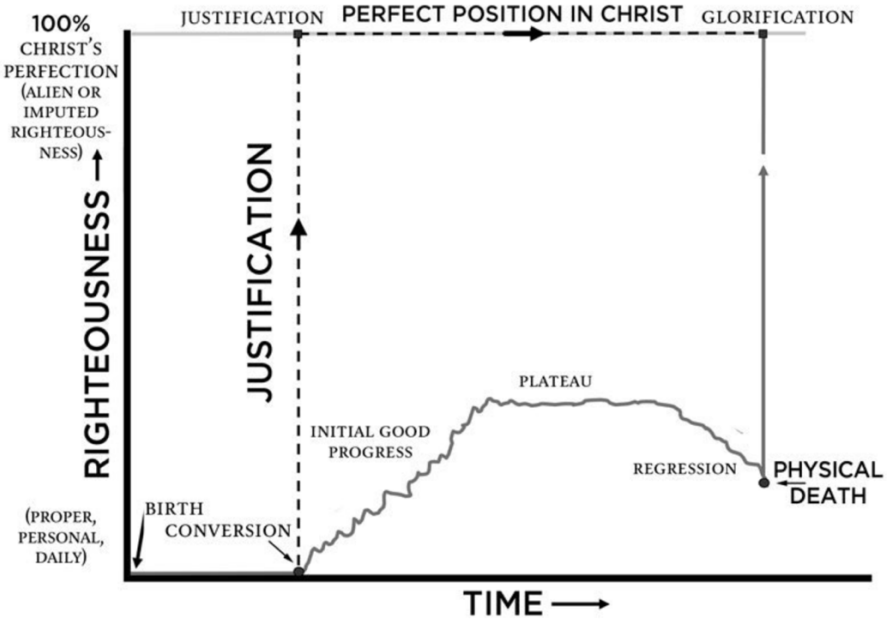
2 It happened, late one afternoon, when David arose from his couch and was walking on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; and the woman was very beautiful.

74 Then he began to invoke a curse on himself and to swear, "I do not know the man." And immediately the rooster crowed. 75 And Peter remembered the saying of Jesus, "Before the rooster crows, you will deny me three times." And he went out and wept bitterly.



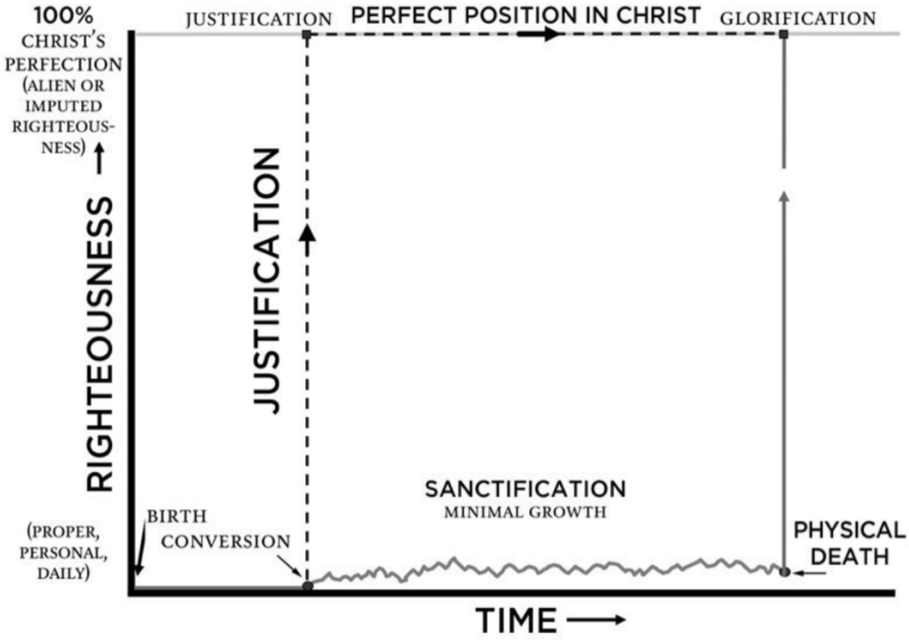
5) Forsaking the First Love – *Revelation 2:4-5 (to the Church at Ephesus) … Jesus speaking:*

4 *But I have this against you, that you have abandoned the love you had at first.* ***5*** *Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent, and do the works you did at first. If not, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place, unless you repent.*



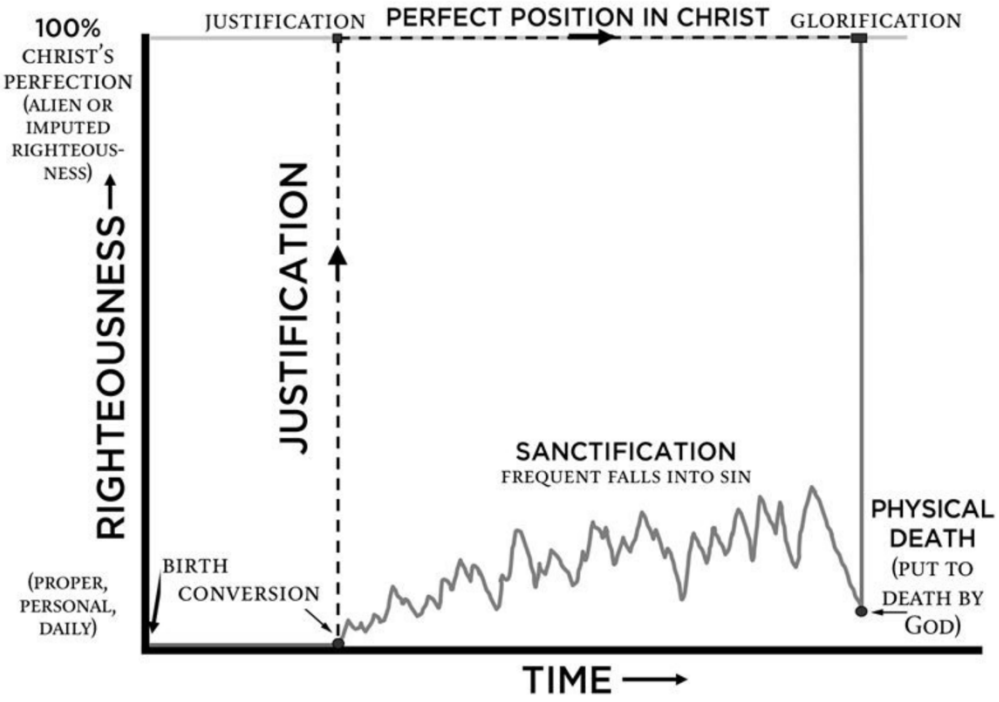
6) Those mired in <u>mediocrity</u> – *Revelation 3:15 (to the Church at Ephesus) … Jesus speaking:*

15 "'I know your works: you are neither cold nor hot. Would that you were either cold or hot! 16 So, because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth. 17 For you say, "I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing," not realizing that you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked. 18 I counsel you to buy from me gold refined by fire, so that you may be rich, and white garments so that you may clothe yourself and the shame of your nakedness may not be seen, and salve to anoint your eyes, so that you may see. 19 Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline, so be zealous and repent.



7) Those who ultimately die in the act of sinning – *Acts 4:32-37; 1 Corinthians 11:29–30*

29 For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself. 30 That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some have died.



8) Those who are not Christians at all (<u>SELF</u>-<u>DECEIVED</u>) -- *Mt. 7:21–23; Luke 18:10–14; 1 Cor. 6:9–11*

21 "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. 22 On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?' 23 And then will I declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.'

10 "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. 11 The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. 12 I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.' 13 But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' 14 I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

9 Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, 10 nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. 11 And such were some of you. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

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