<u>LEADERSHIP LESSON 31:</u> BEING A PERSON OF GRACE – A Sunday School Leader Fully Devoted to Christ

OUTLINE BY RICK ELLISON

The Bible commands us . . . "But grow in <u>GRACE</u> and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ." (II Peter 3:18 KJV)

Each letter in the word "GRACE" represents an important part of being fully devoted to Christ as Christians and Sunday School leaders

Growing closer to God through worship.

- Fellowship with us is so important to God that Jesus <u>died</u> on the cross so that we might have the most intimate fellowship with Him.
- As a Sunday School leader we need to worship God as our source of strength. We also set an **example** to others by our presence in worship.
- God desires that we have a lifestyle of worship that involves a **quiet time** alone with Him each day in prayer and scripture reading.

READ HEBREWS 10:24-25

Reaching the world through **evangelism**.

- Share your **testimony** with others.
- Be **equipped** to clearly share the gospel.

Appling God's word for **spiritual growth**.

• God desires that we study, understand, and apply the wisdom of the Bible.

READ II TIMOTHY 3:16 AND JAMES 1:22

Creating an atmosphere of caring and **fellowship**.

READ GALATIANS 6:10; HEBREWS 10:24; JOHN 17:20-21

- God desires that we **encourage** and **pray** for one another. Bear one another's burdens.
- God desires that we witness to the world and care for those who don't attend.

Experiencing a lifestyle of **ministry**.

• Through our service in Sunday School we have an opportunity to use our <u>spiritual gifts</u>, <u>passion for certain ministries</u>, <u>abilities</u>, <u>unique personality</u>, <u>past experiences</u>, <u>expertise</u>, <u>time</u> and <u>financial resources</u> for the glory of God.

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