

GRACE KINDNESS

1. Grace kindness is that attitude expressed towards someone in their time of distress, pressure, pain, hopelessness, or testing.
 - A. CHANAN means free giving of kindness on one who has neither earned the kindness nor can they repay your kindness. The helper does not expect anything in return for their actions, Proverbs 19:17; Luke 6:32-36.
 - B. RACHAM means to express a deed and tender feeling of compassion which is aroused when one sees weakness or suffering.
 - C. AHAB means love and indicates desire or affection toward someone.
 - D. CHASAD is Gods dealings with man. His display of kindness towards us teaches us how to act toward others.
2. We are to show kindness to those in undeserved suffering. I Peter 2:19, CHARIZOMAI is the Greek equivalent of the Hebrew CHANAN.
 - A. Luke 7:21, giving aid to the ill is a grace action.
 - B. Luke 7:42, Forgiving a debt owed you is a grace action.
 - C. Romans 8:32, giving a gift is a grace action.
3. 2 Corinthians 2:10, pardoning someone for aggressive action is a grace action.
4. Ephesians 4:32, forgiving someone and not holding a grudge against them is a grace action.
5. The person who has tender feelings towards his loved ones will respond when he sees them hurting.

Psalm 103:13. A father has compassion for his own children as God does.

 - A. A man will not respond to a child getting hurt the way a mother will.
 - B. He may downplay it as not being all that serious while the mother is frantic.

C. However, they both express compassion towards the child and relieve the pain.

6. Church age believers are to have compassion towards one another, Colossians 3:12-14.
7. There are times when a person is not to show grace kindness towards someone, such as a criminal who is on the run. David made a big mistake in pardoning Absalom, 2 Samuel 19:1-6.
8. God seeks out merciful people (Micah) 2:7).