God reveals Himself to Moses as (hesed --“abounding in love and faithfulness, maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin” (Exodus 34:6-7). In this text, God is proclaiming that He is love. This is a kind of love in which mercy, grace, long-suffering, goodness and truth are united with holiness and justice (Keil and Delitzsch. Commentary on the Old Testament, Volume 1, 240). God had to maintain His holiness and justice; therefore, Christ's sacrifice on the cross provides the propitiation (satisfaction of God’s wrath) and redemption (to buy back) for sinners, who put their trust and faith in Christ alone. It is in response to God's mercy that we live for Him.

Romans 12:1 “Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship.”

Romans 3:25 “God presented him as a sacrifice of atonement, through faith in his blood. He did this to demonstrate his justice, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished…”

Hebrews 7:27 “Unlike the other high priests, he does not need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for the sins of the people. He sacrificed for their sins once for all when he offered himself.”

1 John 2:2 “He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.”

1 John 4:10 “This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.”

The aim of these lessons is to explore the role of grace in the sanctification of believers. All of the Christian life is possible only through the grace of God at work in us.

These lessons will address a few of the areas in which the gospel of grace is lived out in our relationship with God: motivation, ministry, relationships, and assurance. The following topics will be studied: The Gospel of Grace, the Love of God, Living as a Son or Daughter vs. Living as an Orphan, and Grace in the Midst of Difficulties.