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Title: FLEE SEXUAL IMMORALITY

Text: 1 Corinthians 6:9-20

The story is told of a young man who had some moral struggles, so he sought the help of a particular therapist. The therapist pulled out some paper and drew a circle. Then he asked the young man what he saw. The young man said, "I see a beach umbrella and underneath that umbrella is a young couple messing around." Then the therapist drew a rectangle and again he asked what the young man saw. He remarked that he saw an apartment window and that a young couple was being passionate beyond the window of that apartment. The doctor then proceeded to draw a triangle and asked what he saw. The young man said it was a tent and that a young couple was being frisky inside of the tent. The doctor became annoyed and boldly declared to the young man that he was a pervert. To which the young man said, "Why YOU are the one drawing the dirty pictures."

After several weeks talking about division and sin and confrontation in the church, today we get to have a nice and easy chat about sex. Yeah, right... (tongue in cheek). Before we do, let's watch this video clip about delayed gratification. (Here Pastor Jim showed a video of kids being offered one marshmallow. If they waited to eat it until the adult came back, they would get a second marshmallow. It was quite funny watching the different reactions of the kids.) Temptation can be hard, BUT... There is a reward IF you DON'T yield.

Sex is one of the subjects in this next chapter of our study. Today we are in 1 Corinthians 6, so open there if you have your Bibles. In 1 Corinthians Paul takes several issues the Corinthians are dealing with and shows them how the gospel is the light that guides them through the chaos to safety in their darkness. In part 1 of the letter (chapters 1-4), Paul dealt with the problem of divisions in the church. In part 2, the questions relate to sex, marriage, and singleness. Two weeks ago, we began to stir those waters. Some of these issues, he says, he's heard about from Chloe (1:11), others are questions the Corinthians sent to him in a letter. And I thought two weeks ago was challenging!

I've said it before – there are two topics that make me more anxious than others. Money and Sex. If I preach on money, people get nervous thinking the preacher is going to put his hands in their pockets. If I preach on sex, they think I'm going to peek in their bedroom. Since I don't want someone putting their hands in my pocket or peeking into my bedroom, I make a great effort to NOT do that to you.

I recall a Sunday some 20 years ago after which I had spent several Sundays sharing from the Song of Solomon. One elderly lady very boldly said to me at the end of the service, "Preacher, you speak on that one more time and I'm out of here." Same Sunday I believe, another elderly lady about the same age as the first, expressed her appreciation and assured me that our youth and her grandchildren needed to hear those messages. Furthermore, my daughter told me what those messages meant to her and that she wanted copies of those sermons. I'm aware you can't please everyone, so I'll proceed and try my best to be cautious and pointed. In addition, in the last two weeks, just about every counseling occasion I had dealt with sexual issues – a female who had been raped by a family member, another female who had repeated episodes of fear following an attempted rape, a parent whose daughter is with a child out of wedlock, a person who had struggled with pornography, a parent with a child struggling with sexual strongholds and internet improprieties. Our culture inundates us with sexual innuendos. To put things in perspective, EVERYONE here (except the Lord Jesus) is here AS A RESULT OF SEX. Your first breath happened as a byproduct of sex. Today's breaths are a byproduct of sex. Rather important, I'd say. It's certainly something that we'll likely not do away with anytime soon.

As I said a couple of weeks ago, this may be a good time for some parents to escort your kids to our awesome children's ministry going on downstairs. On the other hand, if your kid is a teenager, they should be fine if you've had the timely talks, or you want an excuse to have those talks today. Sad to say, there might be a few things your teenager could explain to YOU today. (That was my poor attempt to put some levity in a rather

intense topic.)

Corinth was a highly sexualized society. Sexual promiscuity was so common in Corinth that “corinthianize” became a verb. If someone was “corinthianized” it meant they had become sexually deviant. Corinth had been reported to have over 1000 prostitutes. One source I read said that about 1 of every 30 people you saw on the streets of Corinth was a prostitute. In that, it’s not really so surprising that the church in Corinth had to deal with these things. Let me add – should there be any here today that feel a little uncomfortable being in church because of a sexual past – like if people found out about your history, they wouldn’t want you here – That is NOT true! Know that Jesus’ original band of disciples included a few people with sexually dysfunctional pasts, AND... His earliest churches, specifically the church in Corinth, were filled with people with sexual issues! Know that Jesus died for those sins, too. Some in Corinth had even said that the occasional visit to a prostitute was no big deal. “After all,” they said, “it’s just biology. I mean, when you’re hungry, you eat. Then you feel better. It’s natural.” Their thought process proclaimed that it works the same way when you want to have sex. “You have it, and then you feel better.”

1. So, in 1 Corinthians 6, Paul wants to show them that **THERE IS A SPIRITUAL DIMENSION TO SEX BECAUSE GOD MADE US A PSYCHOSOMATIC UNIT**. It means that our soul (psyche) and body (soma) are one; you can’t really separate one from the other. Yes, when our body dies, our soul goes to be with Jesus, and it is disembodied for a while, but that’s not the way our soul was created to be. When we are in that state, Scripture says that we’re uncomfortable, “*longing to be clothed*” with our resurrected bodies. Ultimately, our soul is created to be united to a body. So, Paul clearly argues that because our bodies and souls are one, sex is FAR FROM A MEANINGLESS physical activity. Again, he goes so far as to say that sex has a spiritual dimension to it. Check it out - ⁹“*Don’t you know that the unrighteous will not inherit God’s kingdom? Do not be deceived: No sexually immoral people, idolaters, adulterers, or males who have sex with males, ¹⁰no thieves, greedy people, drunkards, verbally abusive people, or swindlers will inherit God’s kingdom.*” Obviously, sexual sin is not the only sin he mentions in that list but note that sexual sins ARE mentioned. Verse 12 – “*Everything is permissible for me, but not everything is beneficial.*” Culture may say it’s okay. There might not be a law against it, but that doesn’t mean it’s beneficial. Paul continues, “*Everything is permissible for me, but (Paul counters) I will not be mastered by anything.*” In that, Paul is stating that sex has enslaved many a person. Being freed from the law does not mean giving myself over to sinful desires. Just because one’s body desires something, does that make it right? NO! That’s crazy talk! If my body says, “Eat a dozen donuts,” that doesn’t mean it’s the right decision. If my body feels like taking a swing at the person who cut in line or who cut me off in traffic, I shouldn’t obey that. SCRIPTURE tells me what is right. My mind and reason tell me what is right, NOT MY BODILY URGES. Some in the church at Corinth were saying, “Hey, we’ve been freed from the law and now we can do whatever we want!” Paul says, “Your freedom from the law was to love God and love others.” Are casual, open sexual relationships loving and beneficial, for either you or your neighbor? OF COURSE NOT! So, the Corinthian lie about sex has two parts: 1. Sex is just physical – it’s like any other biological need. 2. What you do with your body has no bearing on your soul. Before we get to Paul’s answer, let’s ask: Do people still believe versions of this lie today? In TODAY’S culture, you’ve likely heard the following: “Casual sex between consenting adults doesn’t hurt anybody.” “We just had some fun for a while. We were both lonely. No big deal. There were no strings attached.” “It was just a little harmless affair to break up the monotony – we both agreed – it was nothing serious.” An old Katy Perry song says, “I don’t even know your name, it doesn’t matter. You’re my experimental game, it’s just human nature.” Or Woody Allen: “I know sex without love is an empty experience; but as empty experiences go, it’s one of the best.” In other words, they are saying sex is just physical. It’s just biology. Here’s another variation of the Corinthian lie: “I should be able to love whomever I want. God doesn’t care about who you have sex with. Love is love. What God really cares about is that you are a good, honest person, that you love people, and that you are happy.” Again, that’s another way of saying: the physical design doesn’t matter; ONLY the spirit matters. So, yes, the Corinthian lie about sex is alive and well in the world today. So, Paul counters: ¹³“*However, the body is not for sexual immorality but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body.* ¹⁴*God raised up the Lord (Jesus) and will also raise us up*

by his power.” (That’s a direct refutation of Platonic dualism.) ¹⁵“Don’t you know that your bodies are a part of Christ’s body? So should I take a part of Christ’s body and make it part of a prostitute? Absolutely not! ¹⁶“Don’t you know that anyone joined to a prostitute is one body with her? For Scripture says, ‘The two will become one flesh.’ (That’s a quote from Genesis 2) ¹⁷“But anyone joined to the Lord is one spirit with him.” If nothing more, notice that there is an extremely spiritual dimension to sex! Paul seems to be saying that you can’t have sex with someone and not become one flesh with them, AND... If you have Christ in your heart, you are making Him one with that person you are having sex with, too. Paul wants to make it very clear that you can’t separate body and soul.

2. Paul’s answer to the Corinthian lie: SEX IS NOT JUST BIOLOGY; THERE’S SOMETHING DEEPLY SPIRITUAL ABOUT IT. Now, before we unpack Paul’s reasoning, could we just take a moment and acknowledge that we all know this is true? Ask yourself honestly: If sex is JUST PHYSICAL, why is rape so much more psychologically damaging than other forms of physical violence? The National Domestic Violence center says both men and women are much less likely to report rape than other forms of physical abuse. Why is that? Because there is a shame and trauma attached to rape that makes it difficult to talk about even when you were just the victim. Or if sex is JUST PHYSICAL, why is it that when a child experiences sexual abuse, it can be so difficult to shake off, even after becoming an adult? It’s not just that “an authority figure let me down.” No, it’s deeper than that. On Friday I had an adult woman speak to me of her sexual abuse that took place when she was 4 to 8 years old. That was likely 40 some years ago. Or if sex is JUST PHYSICAL, why is adultery so hard to get over? If sex is JUST PHYSICAL, why is that one sin so hard to forgive and forget? Or, one more: If sex is JUST PHYSICAL, why is it that many people’s DEEPEST regrets are sexual? When a person goes to their counselor or pastor and says, “I need to talk to somebody, and I’ve never told anyone this before,” they most often know what it’s going to be about. It’s not usually “I cheated on this test” or “I haven’t paid my taxes.” It’s ALMOST ALWAYS about some sexual regret. It has hung over them like a dark cloud that they can’t shake off. Do you understand what I’m getting at? If sex is JUST PHYSICAL, none of those things would be true. There’s something about sex that touches one’s deepest self. Here’s why, Paul says (and here’s your theology lesson).

3. GOD CREATED THE SOUL AND BODY TO FUNCTION AS ONE (v. 16-17). ¹⁶“Don’t you know that anyone joined to a prostitute is one body with her? For Scripture says, ‘The two will become one flesh.’ ¹⁷“But anyone joined to the Lord is one spirit with him.” You can’t do something with your body and NOT your soul. Again, notice verses 16-17 how Paul goes back and forth between the spiritual and physical oneness in these verses. You “join” with them; you become “one” with them. Notice that Paul uses for illustration the cheapest kind of sex imaginable – sex with a prostitute. If there were ever sex that was “just physical,” it would be that. Think about it: it’s with a stranger. It involves no commitment. You’ll likely never see each other again. Yet Paul says that even in that one brief encounter there is a soul joining.

4. CHRIST DIED TO REDEEM OUR BODIES, TOO (v. 13-14). Note verse 14, “God raised up the Lord (Jesus) and will also raise us up by his power.” Christ didn’t just die on a cross to pay the guilt for our sins, He resurrected in a PHYSICAL BODY to redeem OUR BODIES. Had the body not been important, God would have just accepted Jesus’ death on the cross as the payment for our sins and been done with it. BUT... He resurrected Christ in a physical body, showing that God cares about our physical bodies. Thus, (vs. 13) “...the body is not for sexual immorality but for the Lord.” Whatever Jesus purchased with His blood He should have Lordship over. That includes your body. “Body” is used eight times in this passage. All of it is for Jesus now. Next...

5. GOD DESIGNED SEX TO RE-ENACT THE MOST INTIMATE PARTS OF OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM (v. 15-16). ¹⁵“Don’t you know that your bodies are a part of Christ’s body? So should I take a part of Christ’s body and make it part of a prostitute? Absolutely not! ¹⁶“Don’t you know that anyone joined to a prostitute is one body with her? In Ephesians 5, Paul says that the phrase we see in verse 16, “the two shall become one flesh,” actually refers to a spiritual reality. Here’s how it reads, ³¹“For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one flesh. ³²“This mystery is profound, but I am talking about Christ and the church.” In other words, get this – it’s pretty mind-blowing: The whole marriage

covenant and sexual relationship re-enacts Christ's relationship with the church. Think about all the ways! When you make a covenant in marriage, it's much like the salvation covenant. You stand at an altar and unite all of yourself to all of your spouse, forever – all that is yours becomes hers, the good and bad (better, worse, richer, poorer); all that was hers, the good and the bad, becomes yours. The wife then takes on a new family name; you exchange rings, celebrate with a meal, and then have sex as the physical seal of your commitment, out of which God often brings forth new life. Each one of those steps illustrates the gospel. In salvation you go to the altar, so to speak, to say "I do" to Jesus Christ. (BTW – He said "I do" to you 2000 years ago on a cross and has been standing there waiting on you ever since.) And in that moment that you say, "I do," all that was yours became His and all that was His became yours. What was yours? Shame, sin, and condemnation, which He gladly took on the cross. He was bearing your sin and shame. And what was His that became yours? Righteousness, eternal life, an eternal inheritance with God. All that became yours. You took on a new family name. Your exchange of rings was called baptism. We celebrate that union with a meal called communion. At your salvation Jesus put His Holy Spirit into you, out of which God brings forth new life in us and through us. Do you see it? Each step of the marriage preaches the gospel. The act of sex itself is a physical illustration of the love of God. Psychologists say that the deepest desire of the human heart is to be known and loved. Isn't that what is to happen in sex? Someone sees you uncovered, and they embrace and receive all of you. That's part of why sex when it takes place in God's design feels so beautiful. It's an echo of God's love for you. Even the complementary nature of sex – TWO DIFFERENT, male and female – is a picture of our relationship to Christ. Our union with Christ is NOT a union of identicals. We're alike, but different. God wrote this all through creation: He used opposite pairs again and again to produce "the good." Complete the pair: day and night, sun and moon, land and sea, earth and heaven – and on His ULTIMATE DAY OF CREATION – MALE & FEMALE. All that was a set up for salvation – we humanity, are united to Christ. Figuratively, Christ plays the role of the male – the life-giver. We all play the role of female, the life-receiver. It's why C.S. Lewis said that in relation to God, all souls are female. So, sex is a picture of our role as the bride of Christ. BTW – Same sex marriage destroys that picture. Marriage is supposed to be the union of two things which are alike, BUT DIFFERENT – complementary. The point: Every part of marriage and sex illustrates the love and nature of God. So, far from being merely the satisfaction of a bodily urge, sexuality is central to our humanity and central to our knowledge of God. So, what then is Paul's conclusion?

6. FLEE SEXUAL IMMORALITY! Run away from it! Why? ¹⁸*"Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the person who is sexually immoral sins against his own body."* You see, when you sin sexually, you sin against three entities: You sin against GOD. Nothing unusual here because – EVERY sin is a sin against God. Here you reject His design and turn what He intended to be self-giving love to another into a selfish satisfaction of your lusts. You sin against THE PERSON YOU ARE HAVING SEX WITH, because you reduce them to an object to satisfy your physical desires. These Corinthian men were treating these prostitute women like disposable objects. These men didn't see these women as image bearers or equals; they were something you purchase, you consume, and then you leave. To quote Andrew Wilson, "The prostitute is no more than food for a hungry man or a toilet in which to relieve himself." That is rather gross, but that is basically what was being done. She's just an object to satisfy one's desires. Reducing her to an object is a SIN AGAINST HER. So, it's a sin against GOD; it's a sin against WHOMEVER YOU ARE HAVING SEX WITH. Finally, it's a sin against YOURSELF. Sex is so integrated into our souls that what we do with our bodies deeply affects our souls. Other sins primarily hurt others, Paul says, but SEXUAL SIN DESTROYS YOU! It's doing damage to your own soul when you "join" yourself to someone and then just walk away casually; it damages and deadens your soul. AND... The more you do that, the more damaged your soul becomes. You may tell yourself that it's just casual and you're just messing around and there's no connection taking place, but I can assure you it's happening. You cannot escape the connectivity of sex – it's just how God designed you. Here's how Tim Keller's *The Meaning of Marriage* put it: "Even if you are not legally married, (when you are having sex with someone) you may find yourself very quickly feeling marriage-like ties, feeling that the other person has obligations to you. But the other person has no legal, social, or moral responsibility even to call you back in the morning. This incongruity

leads to jealousy and hurt feelings and obsessiveness if two people are having sex but are not married. It makes breaking up vastly harder than it should be. It leads many people to stay trapped in relationships that are not good because of a feeling of having (somehow) connected themselves.” I agree with Paul, in that, it is impossible to have sex and not engage its spiritual dimensions. Many people feel like Christians are ANTI-SEX. On the contrary, we understand that the limitations God gives are BECAUSE of its power. It’s like Tim Keller says – “Sex outside of marriage is not a sin because it is so bad, but because it’s so good.” Our culture says, “Sex is no big deal. I see your body, I want it, so I’ll just take it. What’s your name again?” Another song that is about 4 years old (2019) says, (Or, in the words of Ariana Grande) “I see it. I like it. I want it. I got it.” I heard it put this way – Our culture’s attitude is basically, “We’ve been dating for 4 months now, I’ve earned the right to now use you like an object. Of course, I’ll leave you in another 2-3 months because by then I’ll be bored with your body and by then, after 6-7 months, I’d have to start actually having to deal with you as a human, and that’s not what I’m interested in.” Church, we have to say: NO! That person is more than an object. STOP! Covenant with them. Cherish them. You DARE not use their body without covenanting with their soul. YOU DARE NOT! You are sinning against God, and against them, AND against yourself! So, FLEE SEXUAL SIN! Other temptations God tells us to endure or withstand, BUT... When it comes to sexual immorality, HE TELLS US TO FLEE!

7. FLEE TEMPTATION. Don’t even put yourself in a tempting position. Don’t be over at his apartment late at night by yourselves. What do you think is going to happen? When you play with fire you get burnt. Martin Luther (nearly 500 years ago) said, “If your head is made of butter, stay away from the fire.” Sexually, we’re all made of butter. So, FLEE

8. FLEE PORNOGRAPHY. This little corner of West Virginia may not have 30,000 prostitutes, but there are tens of thousands of pornographic websites accessible at one’s fingertips. Porn traffic on the web is more than the traffic of Amazon, Netflix, and Twitter combined. The porn industry in OUR country takes in more money than Major League Baseball, the NBA, and the NFL, combined. A quick search on Google would tell you that 40 million Americans are “regular” visitors to porn sites. And get this: one-third are women. It’s totally a myth that this is only a male problem. But it’s true, men and boys seem to have a particularly difficult time with it. 70% of males ages 18-24 visit a porn site every month. 70%! Statistics would indicate that a majority of our young men have a habit of objectifying the human body. Most people think of looking at porn as not that big of a problem; it’s a victimless crime – what are you really hurting, just looking at a picture? First of all, men, you must realize that the perfectly airbrushed woman you are gazing at is the result of eating disorders, heavy editing, and, based on the statistics, likely she is living a horrible life of abuse, likely even sex trafficking. So, it’s hardly victimless. But beyond that, other victims in that sin, Paul would say, are you and your future spouse. When you gaze at a pornographic image, and you look at an image of a woman whose body you just want to use, that trains your mind to see all women a certain way, and that starts to affect how you see other women in your life. When you look at PICTURES that reduce women to objects, you start to see the REAL women in your life as objects. When you get married, sexually it will be a reasonable probability that you will see your own wife as an object. For a while, she’ll be like your own personal LIVE porn, but if your mind has been given to think of sex as just the satisfaction of a bodily urge, soon you’ll get bored with her and want something else – a new lover, a prostitute, new porn images. I heard it said that no person has ever gorged himself on porn and then put it behind him after marriage because their spouse met all their fantasies. Instead, the opposite happens. Porn retrains your appetites to crave more of that. ¹⁸*“Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the person who is sexually immoral sins against his own body.”* Listen to Paul here: FLEE SEXUAL IMMORALITY. One psychiatrist said, “Porn is more enslaving to people than heroin.” And... The porn industry is said to market itself to 12- to 13-year-olds. They know it only takes about 3 days to be an addict. Know that the porn industry doesn’t give one hoot about you or yours. Parents, I’m afraid it’s a dangerous thing to let your kids have phones in their rooms and no filter on your internet. Someone said that you might as well give them a loaded gun they can put under their pillow. I’m not trying to judge you or even tell you how to parent your kids. I’m just telling you to WAKE UP to what is happening. Childline is a statewide protective service

designed to protect children. They have stated that 10% of 12- and 13-year-olds believe they are addicted to porn. I guess I've directed much of this sermon toward men, but women you need to be on guard, too. Romance novels function much like pornography for women. They are not romantic or harmless fantasy; they RUIN marriages and can destroy you. Flee that stuff. Romance novels have been called porn for the soul. He can't be a poetry-writing vampire who loves you. That guy is NOT real. Flee it! FLEE SEXUAL IMMORALITY ... Flee means taking radical measures to separate yourself from it. FLEE. Get filters on your internet. Covenant Eyes is a highly rated one. Another option would be to get rid of your computer for a while. A few years back I had some Bibles to drop off at a place in Maryland. When I got there, there sat a nice little laptop, with a letter attached from a young man who took his computer to the Bible pickup and left it there to remove the temptation from himself. That was a rather dramatic step and probably terribly inconvenient, but he had to break the habit. DO WHATEVER IT TAKES! JESUS IS WORTH IT. FLEE! Do NOT go to her apartment. Don't put yourself in a situation where you are going to make stupid decisions. If need be, ask someone to make you accountable. Flee. FLEE! Flee sexual immorality. HOW? NOT by TRYING HARDER. NOT by WILLPOWER. By FLEEING TO CHRIST. ¹⁹*"Don't you know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God? You are not your own,* ²⁰*for you were bought at a price. So glorify God with your body."* Two things Paul points to: The BLOOD OF JESUS. Jesus paid the price for YOUR sin. He died for all the ways you are messed up. And... That means He deserves your sexual purity, and He'll give you the ability to live in it. Which leads to the second thing he points to: the HOLY SPIRIT. You may feel like you don't have the strength to overcome this, and you're probably right. BUT... CHRIST IN YOU DOES! *"Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit' says the Lord Almighty"* (Zechariah 4:6). *"Greater is he that is in me than he that is in the world"* (1 John 4:4). *"I am crucified with Christ, nevertheless I live, yet not I, but Christ lives in me"* (Galatians 2:20). *"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me"* (Philippians 4:13).

9. So, FLEE TO JESUS. Perhaps there's one or more sitting here thinking, "Well, it's too late now. I've already got a sexual rap sheet a mile long." I skipped the best part of this passage. Go back to verse 9 where we started: ⁹*"Or do you not know that wrongdoers will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: Neither the sexually immoral... nor adulterers nor men who have sex with men..."* ¹¹*And that is what some of you were. 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."* When you accept Christ: He washes you, He takes away your guilt. "There is a fountain filled with blood drawn from Immanuel's veins. And sinners plunged beneath that flow, lose all their guilty stains..." He sanctifies you. Sanctifies means "to set apart." He makes you holy – pure. Perhaps there's someone – a teenager, a young adult, an older adult – who has given themselves away sexually and now you feel PERMANENTLY defiled. It's NOT true. He can sanctify you by His blood and Spirit. *"If any man is in Christ, he is a NEW creation..."* (2 Corinthians 5:17). Maybe you think that your soul is damaged beyond repair. Don't you cut Jesus short. He can restore you, sanctify you, make you new. He justifies you – which means He removes your guilt before God. Jesus died for your sexual sin. He paid the full price for your disobedience. *"So that there is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus..."* (Romans 8:1). Maybe there are those here or those listening that struggle with same sex addiction. You say, "I want my body to glorify God, but I have sinful desires that I feel like I can't control." All of us have or had desires that go opposite to God's will. *"All have sinned and come short of the glory of God"* (Romans 3:23). What God wants is for you to submit yourself to Him. Realize that He loves and accepts you where you are. He'll not only wash away the guilt of your sin, but He'll also give you the strength to obey His commands, even though it may be difficult. Know that there is more forgiveness and acceptance and help in Jesus than there is sin in you. The old hymn says it so aptly: "Grace, grace, God's grace, Grace that will pardon and cleanse within. Grace, grace, God's grace, Grace that is greater than ALL OUR SIN."