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GUIDEBOOK







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S ince 2003, our mission as a church has been helping people take their next steps toward Christ. By His grace and through your faithfulness, we have done it, seeing thousands of lives changed for the gospel and glory of Jesus.

Now, we're entering into another defining season at Grace. God's own lavish generosity on this church compels us to respond with our own. He is calling us to dream bigger and to surrender ourselves to Him, so that Grace might be a sanctuary of teaching and healing in our spiritually starving city.

God is doing things right now that we'll be talking about for years to come. So I want everyone at Grace – 100% of you – to be a part of it. I want you to take a step of faith, and to experience the goodness that comes from a life fully surrendered to God.

Don't miss what The Lord has for you right now. Join us as we pray and work to take hold of the kind of life that is truly life (I Timothy 6:19).

Do good with us in this season. Proclaim the good with us. And expect the good with us, as we continue to serve Him and His people.

For Christ and His kingdom,

PASTOR MIKE ADKINS

Pastor Mike







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The Story of Grace

2003: Grace begins.

We're called Grace Fellowship when we launch at the Longwood Community Building in February 2003.



2011: Second big move.

In 2011, after eight years of growth, Grace moves to Edgewater High School to meet our city right where it lives.

2011: The campus vision is born.

That same year, we decide to spread the gospel further by opening more locations of Grace throughout the city.



A little more than two months later, we find a long-term home at the Florida Hospital Church in College Park. Here we'll grow, and change our name to Grace Church.



2012: Grace Oviedo launches.

This campus opens its doors to serve the northeast corner of the Orlando area in September of 2012.

2014: Grace Winter Garden opens.

We go west and welcome people to the new Winter Garden campus in September of 2014.

2017: The Grace Orlando building opens.

After 14 years of 100% portable church, we hold our first service in our first permanent facility in April 2017.

2022: God gives Grace an unimaginable gift.

Circle Community Church votes to join Grace and gift us their property without debt or strings – six acres and a 20,000+ square-foot building directly adjacent to our Orlando campus. Read on to explore what God is leading us to do in this new space.

2020: Grace Online begins.

We were planning to go online in a few years, but COVID "helps" us launch Grace Online in March 2020 – with about 30 hours notice.



CRACE COUNSELING

2022: Oviedo and Winter Garden find new ministry space.

Our campuses expand opportunities for reaching neighbors and serving people during the week, with Winter Garden moving to Family Christian School, and Oviedo opening permanent office, teaching, and counseling space.



A long-held dream of Pastor Mike's, the Grace Counseling Center welcomes its first clients in December of 2019 on the Orlando campus property. We now staff 13 counselors, and we'll serve our city with more than 6,000 hours of reduced-cost Christian counseling this year.



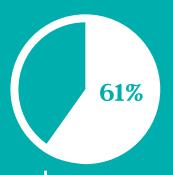
• Investing in Impact

1,144

Decisions for Christ post-COVID

191

Number of people baptized at Grace post-COVID



1,476

New givers in the last 24 months

Percent of Grace's average weekly attendance who are connected in Groups or Classes in 2022

120.28%

Increase in Grace Online subscribers even AFTER returning to in-person services post-COVID

1,211,441

Number of times someone has heard the gospel at Grace since our last generosity initiative in late 2016

39%

Growth in attendance over Grace's pre-COVID numbers (Aug 2019 vs. Aug 2022)

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Why The Good Initiative?

The Fullness of God has been our teaching theme at Grace this year, and as we have experienced more and more of God's fullness in these days — His kindness, His unimaginable generosity, and His love towards us — we are called to give what we have received so that others may also know Him.

God has more for Grace, and He has more for you. He has more mercy for us to give to our city, more healing for us to bring to our families and our neighbors, more hope He wants us to bring through teaching His Word at our campuses and online.

The Good Initiative is our answer to His call in this season. We won't just be generous; we'll be changed. We must become the people He needs us to be, so we can do the work He asks us to do.





PRIMARY GOAL

100% Engagement

We're challenging every person who calls Grace home to take a next step in generosity.







THE NEXT STEP OF SURRENDER.

What are we not giving to Jesus and His mission, and why?

THE NEXT STEP OF FAITH.

What steps do we need to take that lead us to trust our comfort zone less and trust God more?

THE NEXT STEP OF GENEROSITY.

What can we give that will express our gratitude for what He has done for us? Do we give in a way that places Christ first in all things?

SECONDARY GOAL

\$30 Million

In the last two years, God has allowed our church to be a place of teaching and healing in this city — a place of hope in Jesus Christ for Central Florida. We've asked God to show us how we can have the greatest impact as we move into the next season of our ministry. We are trusting Him to move through His people to invest \$30 million in the mission of Christ at Grace over the next two years — our current level of giving, plus expanded generosity as He leads us together toward 100% engagement.

What will the \$30 million do?

YOUR GENEROSITY OVER THE TWO YEARS OF THE GOOD INITIATIVE WILL MAKE THE FOLLOWING CRITICAL NEXT STEPS POSSIBLE.



AN INVESTMENT IN THE LOCAL CHURCH — AND IN REACHING PEOPLE ONLINE.

The \$30 million goal includes our operating budget over the next two years, with the funding we need for staffing, space, and systems to help people take steps toward Christ.



A HOME FOR OUR OVIEDO CAMPUS.

Portable for a full decade, our Oviedo location is poised to reach northeast/east Central Florida like never before. **A new facility will allow this campus to expand their influence as a place of teaching and healing** in Oviedo, Winter Springs, Sanford, and beyond, and to reach the next generation in the college corridor at UCF for Christ.



THE NEW CENTER FOR TEACHING AND HEALING.

In June, Grace received a gift of property adjacent to the Orlando Campus that will become The Center for Teaching and Healing at Grace Church. This space will be a home to our rapidly-growing Grace Counseling Center and to our Care ministry, including recovery classes and groups, space for weddings and memorial services, and more. We'll establish and renovate this Center to bring healing to our city in Christ, and we'll begin to lay the groundwork for our first external counseling center in the community.



A FULLY-STAFFED WINTER GARDEN CAMPUS.

Winter Garden was our first campus to reach and exceed pre-pandemic attendance levels, and now they are on a solid path for growth. This campus is moving into a larger and more flexible rental location that will allow for ministry during the week, and **we will fully staff this team to meet the spiritual needs of their community.**



EXPANDED SPACE TO REACH FAMILIES AND GROW MINISTRY AT THE ORLANDO CAMPUS.

The Orlando Campus is reaching more and more people for Christ each week, so we'll explore ways to expand our family ministry space as well as increase our staffing space (we currently have only five dedicated offices in total!). We'll also look for ways to accommodate more people in our existing sanctuary, parking, and common spaces.





Grace Does Good

Grace has always been into doing good, putting our faith into action both here and around the world in obedience to God's call.

Over the last two decades, Grace has **built fresh water** wells on behalf of the church in Rwanda to bring life to tens of thousands of people in villages there. **Grace** funded a micro-loan bank in the Dominican Republic that still sustains small businesses in the country, lifting families out of poverty.

Grace helped to plant 10 churches in Brazil, and we supported and trained local pastors to reach people with the gospel there. We've assisted in **planting several churches here in Central Florida**, too.

We've partnered with schools to build new after-school programs and purchase new computers and supplies. We've helped other churches in town face financial and practical challenges. We've given hundreds of thousands of dollars over the years to help people pay urgent bills, get medicine, or buy groceries. We've helped launch a ministry that is engaging churches around the city to support foster families.

And now, we've given away thousands of hours of reduced-cost Christian counseling to help our city heal.

We're just getting started. During *The Good Initiative*, we'll be talking about doing more good, and the ways you can be a part of it. Get ready for the good things God is going to do in your heart as you surrender to Him.

How will you respond?



01. PRAY FERVENTLY.

Pray that God would multiply our efforts to make disciples and make much of Christ. Pray that He would do abundantly more than we ask or imagine for His great name.

02. COMMIT FULLY.

Help us reach our goal of 100% engagement in *The Good Initiative*. Stand side by side with your church family. Commit to do what God asks. Put your "Yes!" on the table.

03. CHEER LOUDLY.

Own *The Good Initiative* vision and become a cheerleader for it within your spheres of influence. Engage in *The Good Initiative* study with a small group. Make plans now to commit to being at weekend services from October 1–2 through November 5–6.

04. GIVE GENEROUSLY.

Ask God to show you what it looks like to give in a way that changes you, and take whatever bold steps are required to see it through. Make plans to join us on October 23rd for Advance Commitment Night and on Commitment Sunday, November 5 or 6th at your campus' regular service times.

What kind of giver are you?



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The five stages on the next page focus on behaviors and attitudes of our hearts – our discipleship – rather than on amounts or percentages. Each step represents growth in a lifestyle of generosity and sacrifice that transforms us into the likeness of Christ, who gave up everything.

Scripture encourages us to grow in every facet of our walk with Christ, including the grace of giving (2 Corinthians 8:7).

The Giving Discipleship Journey

It doesn't matter where you are. It matters that you take a next step.



01

AN INITIAL GIVER is someone who decides to give for the first time, out of a response to God's Word about giving. This is someone who decides to give something and trust God and the leaders of the Church with this gift. They experience the initial joy of putting Jesus' words into action (Matthew 7:24).

02

A CONSISTENT GIVER is someone who decides to give something and to give it on a consistent basis to exercise the discipline of giving as a disciple of Jesus. Often, someone who decides to make their gift an online recurring gift will be someone who is learning the joy of consistency. Non-online givers can be consistent givers as well of course; it just requires more discipline. They experience the joy of excelling in this grace of giving. (2 Corinthians 8:7).

03

A PRIORITY GIVER is someone who understands the preeminence of Christ and that He is before all things – that all things were created by Him, for Him, through Him, and to Him. This giver places such a significant priority on their giving that it drives their spending and their saving, as opposed to their spending and saving driving their giving. They experience the freedom of serving "one master" and declaring Jesus is first. (Matthew 6:19-24 and Colossians 1:15-20).

A SURRENDERED GIVER is someone who recognizes that Christ surrendered His whole self for us, and therefore we desire to surrender our whole selves to Him, in love (Ephesians 5:1-2). This giver would say, "My giving is not just changing my spending and saving. It's also changing me!" They also look at what they're not giving away and ask, "Is it surrendered too?" This informs how they use everything they've been blessed and entrusted with – whether that be through direct monetary giving or through a God-honoring use of an existing resource (i.e. honoring God with the use of your home, etc.)



AN ETERNAL GIVER is someone who sees the eternal impact of their giving – on them and on others – not just the immediate programs and ministries it helps accomplish. This giver has been captivated by the knowledge that the more they are led to "do good, to be generous and ready to share," the more they "take hold of that which is truly life" (1 Timothy 6:19). This encourages them to keep growing! They make all decisions (big purchases, savings, giving, relationships, areas of service) in light off how it will affect their eternal impact.

Two-Year Gift Chart

As you pray and discern how God would ask you to give during this time, use this gift chart as a discipleship tool – let it be something that challenges you toward greater generosity for Christ's kingdom as we do good, expect the good, and proclaim the good.

GIFTS NEEDED	TWO-YEAR GIFTS LEVEL	ANNUAL GIFT	MONTHLY GIFT	GIFT LEVEL TOTAL
1	\$2,500,000	\$1,250,000	\$104,167	\$2,500,000
1	\$1,500,000	\$750,000	\$62,500	\$1,500,000
2	\$1,000,000	\$500,000	\$41,667	\$2,000,000
4	\$500,000	\$250,000	\$20,833	\$2,000,000
5	\$250,000	\$125,000	\$10,417	\$1,250,000
7	\$150,000	\$75,000	\$6,250	\$1,050,000
15	\$100,000	\$50,000	\$4,167	\$1,500,000
18	\$75,000	\$37,500	\$3,125	\$1,350,000
25	\$65,000	\$32,500	\$2,708	\$1,625,000
45	\$50,000	\$25,000	\$2,083	\$2,250,000
80	\$35,000	\$17,500	\$1,458	\$2,800,000
95	\$25,000	\$12,500	\$1,042	\$2,375,000
125	\$15,000	\$7,500	\$625	\$1,875,000
175	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$417	\$1,750,000
225	\$7,500	\$3,750	\$313	\$1,687,500
275	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$208	\$1,375,000
MANY	\$2,500	\$1,250	\$104	\$1,112,500

TOTAL GIFT GOAL:

\$30,000,000



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WEEK ONE STUDY GUIDE



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Oct 8 & 9 Week 1 Scripture

2 CORINTHIANS 8:9-10 NIV

9 FOR YOU KNOW THE GRACE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, THAT THOUGH HE WAS RICH, YET FOR YOUR SAKE HE BECAME POOR, SO THAT YOU THROUGH HIS POVERTY MIGHT BECOME RICH. 10 AND HERE IS MY JUDGMENT ABOUT WHAT IS BEST FOR YOU IN THIS MATTER. LAST YEAR YOU WERE THE FIRST NOT ONLY TO GIVE BUT ALSO TO HAVE THE DESIRE TO DO SO.

SERMON NOTES

Oct 8 & 9

Week 1 Group Discussion Questions

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01.	In this chapter of the Apostle Paul's letter to the early church at Corinth, he is doing something similar to what we are doing with <i>The Good Initiative</i> at Grace. Paul is receiving an offering and also challenging these early disciples to look at their heart behind their giving. Do you typically think more about your giving "to" (i.e. where your giving is going TO) or where your giving is coming "from" (i.e. the heart of the giver doing the giving)? How does thinking about the difference between these two things challenge you in this <i>Good Initiative</i> season?
02.	Vs. 9 of chapter 8 establishes and reminds us of the grace of God and that everything we do should be motivated by what Christ has done for us. He is GOOD! Would you truly say each gift you give is given as a response to the gospel? What convicts you in this?

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Embrace the Good

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Oct 15 & 16 Week 2 Scripture

2 CORINTHIANS 8:1-7 NIV

AND NOW, BROTHERS AND SISTERS, WE WANT YOU TO KNOW ABOUT THE GRACE THAT GOD HAS GIVEN THE MACEDONIAN CHURCHES. 2 IN THE MIDST OF A VERY SEVERE TRIAL, THEIR OVERFLOWING JOY AND THEIR EXTREME POVERTY WELLED UP IN RICH GENEROSITY, 3 FOR I TESTIFY THAT THEY GAVE AS MUCH AS THEY WERE ABLE, AND EVEN BEYOND THEIR ABILITY. ENTIRELY ON THEIR OWN, 4 THEY URGENTLY PLEADED WITH US FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF SHARING IN THIS SERVICE TO THE LORD'S PEOPLE. 5 AND THEY EXCEEDED OUR EXPECTATIONS: THEY GAVE THEMSELVES FIRST OF ALL TO THE LORD, AND THEN BY THE WILL OF GOD ALSO TO US. 6 SO WE URGED TITUS, JUST AS HE HAD EARLIER MADE A BEGINNING, TO BRING ALSO TO COMPLETION THIS ACT OF GRACE ON YOUR PART. 7 BUT SINCE YOU EXCEL IN EVERYTHING—IN FAITH, IN SPEECH, IN KNOWLEDGE, IN COMPLETE EARNESTNESS AND IN THE LOVE WE HAVE KINDLED IN YOU—SEE THAT YOU ALSO EXCEL IN THIS GRACE OF GIVING.

SERMON NOTES



Oct 15 & 16

Week 2 Group Discussion Questions

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01.	Why do you think the church at Corinth was slow to participate in the offerings Paul was seeking to receive from them? And why do you think they needed this story of the churches as an encouragement?
02.	In the midst of their poverty and trials, the Macedonian churches discovered the riches of generosity as they gave to the poor churches in Jerusalem. They even begged Paul for the privilege of participating in this giving effort. How does this convict or challenge you in your own giving story currently?

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Proclaim the Good

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Oct 22 & 23 Week 3 Scripture

2 CORINTHIANS 9:6-8 NIV

6 REMEMBER THIS: WHOEVER SOWS SPARINGLY WILL ALSO
REAP SPARINGLY, AND WHOEVER SOWS GENEROUSLY WILL ALSO
REAP GENEROUSLY. 7 EACH OF YOU SHOULD GIVE WHAT YOU
HAVE DECIDED IN YOUR HEART TO GIVE, NOT RELUCTANTLY OR
UNDER COMPULSION, FOR GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL GIVER. 8 AND
GOD IS ABLE TO BLESS YOU ABUNDANTLY, SO THAT IN ALL THINGS
AT ALL TIMES, HAVING ALL THAT YOU NEED, YOU WILL ABOUND IN
EVERY GOOD WORK.

SERMON NOTES



Oct 22 & 23

Week 3 Group Discussion Questions

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01.	When Paul encouraged the Corinthians to give, he was concerned they would feel under compulsion to participate and not experience the joy of giving. Have you ever contributed to something because you were obligated to do so? How might what Paul says here regarding enjoying the harvest "flip the script" on the common compulsion we tend to feel associated with giving?
02.	Paul desires for the Corinthian church to actually enjoy the fruit of their giving. Part of what makes giving a joyful thing and not an act of compulsion is fully enjoying the harvest. God doesn't want us to experience giving just as sowing but also "reaping generously" and "abounding in every good work." Do I really believe that God will bless me – in all things, at all times? That I would have all that I need and abound in every good work? Do I live like this in my financial life?

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Oct 29 & 30 Week 4 Scripture

2 CORINTHIANS 9:10-15 NIV

10 NOW HE WHO SUPPLIES SEED TO THE SOWER AND BREAD FOR FOOD WILL ALSO SUPPLY AND INCREASE YOUR STORE OF SEED AND WILL ENLARGE THE HARVEST OF YOUR RIGHTEOUSNESS. 11 YOU WILL BE ENRICHED IN EVERY WAY SO THAT YOU CAN BE GENEROUS ON EVERY OCCASION, AND THROUGH US YOUR GENEROSITY WILL RESULT IN THANKSGIVING TO GOD. 12 THIS SERVICE THAT YOU PERFORM IS NOT ONLY SUPPLYING THE NEEDS OF THE LORD'S PEOPLE BUT IS ALSO OVERFLOWING IN MANY EXPRESSIONS OF THANKS TO GOD. 13 BECAUSE OF THE SERVICE BY WHICH YOU HAVE PROVED YOURSELVES, OTHERS WILL PRAISE GOD FOR THE OBEDIENCE THAT ACCOMPANIES YOUR CONFESSION OF THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST, AND FOR YOUR GENEROSITY IN SHARING WITH THEM AND WITH EVERYONE ELSE. 14 AND IN THEIR PRAYERS FOR YOU THEIR HEARTS WILL GO OUT TO YOU, BECAUSE OF THE SURPASSING GRACE GOD HAS GIVEN YOU. 15 THANKS BE TO GOD FOR HIS INDESCRIBABLE GIFT!

SERMON NOTES



Oct 29 & 30

Week 4 Group Discussion Questions

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01.	Paul shares about the evangelistic power that exists when we give accompanied by our confession of the gospel of Christ – that other people will see why we give and will praise God because of it. Do you feel you give in this way – in a way that is driven by your confession of the gospel of Christ? Or is your giving driven by other things, potentially even things that are not from God? If so, what are those things?
<u>02.</u>	Paul shares that we will be enriched in every way so that we can be generous on every occasion. So this begs the question: If you were God, would you give you more money?

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	bable gift" at the end of this p	

Live the Good

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Nov 5 & 6 Week 5 Scripture

2 CORINTHIANS 8:12-15 NIV

12 FOR IF THE WILLINGNESS IS THERE, THE GIFT IS ACCEPTABLE
ACCORDING TO WHAT ONE HAS, NOT ACCORDING TO WHAT
ONE DOES NOT HAVE. 13 OUR DESIRE IS NOT THAT OTHERS MIGHT
BE RELIEVED WHILE YOU ARE HARD PRESSED, BUT THAT THERE
MIGHT BE EQUALITY. 14 AT THE PRESENT TIME YOUR PLENTY
WILL SUPPLY WHAT THEY NEED, SO THAT IN TURN THEIR PLENTY
WILL SUPPLY WHAT YOU NEED. THE GOAL IS EQUALITY, 15 AS IT IS
WRITTEN: "THE ONE WHO GATHERED MUCH DID NOT HAVE
TOO MUCH, AND THE ONE WHO GATHERED LITTLE DID NOT HAVE

SERMON NOTES



Nov 5 & 6

Week 5 Group Discussion Questions

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01.	Paul expresses in this passage that our gifts are acceptable according to what we do have, not according to what we don't have. As you pray about the commitment you will make for <i>The Good Initiative</i> next weekend, does it represent that you are giving with a willing heart from what you do have, not making excuses for what you don't have?
02.	A famous derivative from this particular passage is the sentiment, "It's not about equal giving; it's about equal sacrifice." While the heart behind that statement is well-intentioned, it's not exactly what the Apostle Paul is referencing here. He is simply saying that the amounts and portions of giving for each person are going to be different, depending on their situation. It's not necessarily that the sacrifice would be "equal" but rather that the engagement in giving generously would be equal. And that's the heart of <i>The Good Initiative</i> – 100% engagement in generosity discipleship. As you prepare to make your commitment next weekend, do you feel that you have fully engaged? Would God Himself look at the commitment you are planning to make and determine that it is being made with "full engagement," fully surrendered to Him and fully yielding to His purposes and plans?

03.	A big part of the equation of "what one has" is our stored resources, i.e. possessions, property, cash savings, investments, etc. While we all might have very different amounts of stored resources, everyone has them in some. A 14-year-old might sell his iPad as part of his stored resource; someone else might sell a piece of jewelry; and others might give from
	their retirement accounts or real estate. Think about your stored resources in light of this passage. Are you engaged fully in wrestling through this piece of your <i>Good Initiative</i> commitment? Without sharing numbers, what is God asking you to do in this area? How will this stored-resources-giving impact God's work in your heart over the next two years?

Good Is Ahead

WEEK SIX STUDY GUIDE



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Nov 12 & 13 Week 6 Scripture

2 CORINTHIANS 8:10-11 NIV

10 AND HERE IS MY JUDGMENT ABOUT WHAT IS BEST FOR YOU IN THIS MATTER. LAST YEAR YOU WERE THE FIRST NOT ONLY TO GIVE BUT ALSO TO HAVE THE DESIRE TO DO SO. 11 NOW FINISH THE WORK, SO THAT YOUR EAGER WILLINGNESS TO DO IT MAY BE MATCHED BY YOUR COMPLETION OF IT, ACCORDING TO YOUR MEANS.

SERMON NOTES



Nov 12 & 13

Week 6 Group Discussion Questions

Good Initiative?
It's no secret that our world has a lot of uncertainty economically. (Although when have there not been economic uncertainties?! Name that time!) That all being said, however, the reality is that we are likely thave opposition over these next two years — whether that be economic opposition, spiritual opposition, relational opposition, or opposition of other kinds. What hills do you anticipate having to climb over these next two years that your group can be aware of so that they can support you in this Good Initiative journey?

.	Because of the decisions and steps of faith that were made this past weekend, the eternities of people in our communities will be forever changed. What are you most inspired by regarding <i>The Good Initiative</i> vision, and how might you be an ambassador to help others who join the Grace family over the next two years become involved?

Gracekids & The Good Challenge



Week 1:

The Earth Belongs to the Lord (Psalm 24:1). **Bottom Line – Everything belongs to God.**



Week 2:

Teach us to number our days (Psalm 90:12). **Bottom Line - Use your time wisely.**



Week 3:

Parable of the Talents (Matthew 25:14-30). **Bottom Line – Use your things wisely.**



Week 4:

God loves a cheerful giver (2 Corinthians 9:6-7). **Bottom Line - Use your money wisely.**



Week 5:

Lydia & The Church (Acts 16:11-15).

Bottom Line – Live like you know what really matters.



Week 6:

Treasures in Heaven (Matthew 6:19-24). **Bottom Line – God made you to love others.**





Gracestudents & The Good Challenge



Week 1:

Do Good with your whole heart (Acts 5:1-11). How does knowing God's heart influence you to do good to others?



Week 2:

Do Good and impact many people (Acts 9:36-43).

Why do you think it's important to pass on the good news with our actions and not just our words?



Week 3:

Do Good by surrendering to God (Acts 10:9-11, 18).

Who is an "unexpected" person God might be asking
you to include this week? What are you going to do about it?



Week 4:

Do Good by taking a step of humility (Acts 16:16-34).

What are some ways a lack of humility could prevent someone from passing on the good news of Jesus effectively?



Week 5:

Do Good with the little you have (2 Corinthians 8:1-7). What is a simple step God might be asking you to take when it comes to being generous?



Week 6:

Celebration Night!





When we show up, God shows up.



DON'T-MISS DATES IN 2022



OCT 8/9 - NOV 12/13

The Good Initiative Sermon Series

OCT 23:

Advance Commitment Night

NOV 5/6:

Kids' & Students' Commitment Weekend

NOV 12/13:

Commitment Weekend

DEC 3/4:

Celebration Weekend + First Give



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