



Use the key below to finish the phrase.

Grace is a . . .



The Gift of Grace

based on Ephesians 2:1-10

When the church was still new, church leaders sent letters that told people who lived far away about God. One of those church leaders was a man named Paul. One of his letters was to a group of Christians who gathered in a house church in Ephesus.

When a letter came, everyone was excited. Everyone gathered to hear the letter. Here is part of what Paul wrote to the house church in Ephesus:

Before you discovered Jesus Christ, you were like everyone else in the world. But whatever you did then, God loves you so much that God will forgive you. This is called God's grace, this wonderful great gift of love. And this grace is a gift from God. Nothing you do or say can get it for you. God gives you this love and grace.

When the letter was read to the church, the people smiled. Perhaps a tear or two fell down a cheek because the person was so happy to have God's gift of grace.

The Ephesians tried hard to follow Jesus' teaching and God's rules. But even when they messed up, God's gift of grace was waiting for them. What a wonderful gift from God!