**Message in the Gospels, Acts and Epistles**

***A Central Message Continuing from the Old Testament***

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Salvation by grace through faith, contrary to much popular teaching and belief, *is NOT the central message dealt with throughout the New Testament — NOT in the Gospels, NOT in Acts, NOT in the Epistles. NOR is this the central message dealt with throughout the Old Testament. NOR does any single book, Old Testament or New Testament, deal with this message in a central respect*.

John’s gospel and Romans are two books often dealt with as centering around salvation by grace. *But NEITHER book is structured in this manner*. John’s gospel, in this respect, is *NO DIFFERENT* than any one of the other gospels; and Romans, in this respect, is *NO DIFFERENT* than any one of the other epistles.

*The SAME central message pervades ALL Scripture*.

The first man, the first Adam, near the beginning of Scripture, was created to replace the incumbent ruler in the kingdom associated with one province in God’s universal kingdom — the earth (Genesis 1:26-28). And the second Man, the last Adam, near the end of Scripture, is seen returning back to this earth to take this kingdom from this same ruler (Revelation 11:15).

And all that lies between these two points, separated by almost the whole of Scripture and 6,000 years of time, has to do with a restoration of those from the lineage of the first Adam *so that they can realize an inheritance with the last Adam when He takes the kingdom, realizing the purpose for man’s creation in the beginning.*

Salvation by grace *DOES NOT*, in and of itself, automatically move man back into the position which he occupied prior to the fall. Rather, salvation by grace places him in *a position* where *he CAN one day find himself completely free from sin, enswathed in Glory, and seated on the throne with the second Man, the last Adam*.

And though Scripture, as seen throughout, *opens at the only beginning point possible* — salvation by grace through faith — *Scripture NEVER remains at this point*. *Rather, Scripture moves on and concerns itself FAR, FAR more with present and future aspects of salvation/deliverance than with the past aspect*.

And the preceding is what can be seen throughout the different chapters of this book: [Message in the Gospels, Acts, Epistles, by Arlen Chitwood pdf](https://www.lampbroadcast.org/Books/MGAE.pdf)