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*Sermon Guide Notes: January 11 and January 18, 2026*

Sermon Guide: 2 Corinthians 6:1-18

Sunday: 1/11/26 and 1/18/26

**Title:** 'Don't Waste the Grace'

1-MINUTE MESSAGE:

God's grace is powerful and personal, but it must be received with a response. In 2 Corinthians 6, Paul urges us not to waste it.

Grace calls us to surrender, faithfulness, and a life set apart. Don't delay. Live like someone changed by grace... today.

MESSAGE NOTES:

**Point #1 – God's grace demands a response, and that response begins today.**

2 Corinthians 6:2

God's grace is here now. Don't wait until tomorrow to do what the Holy Spirit is stirring in you today. Grace is a present invitation.

**D.L. Moody said:** 'Tomorrow is the devil's day, but today is God's Day.'

**Point #2 – Faithfulness in the hard times gives your life true credibility.**

2 Corinthians 6:4–5

Paul didn't coast through ministry — he endured. Real faith often speaks loudest not through platforms, but through perseverance.



**Point #3 – Living for Jesus may not always make sense to people, but it always makes sense to God.**

2 Corinthians 6:8–10

Paul's life looked like contradiction, yet Heaven saw faithfulness and fruit. If you feel unseen or misunderstood, keep going — you're right where God works.

**Point #4 – You weren't set apart to be religious — you were set apart to carry His presence.**

2 Corinthians 6:14–16

'Unequally yoked' means being deeply tied to someone or something not heading in God's direction. You're God's temple — your life should reflect His Spirit dwelling in you.

**Point #5 – Separation isn't just about cleanness; it's about closeness.**

2 Corinthians 6:17–18

God says, 'Come out... and I will be your Father.' He calls you to live differently — not out of rule-keeping, but to draw near in intimacy.

**INSPIRING EXAMPLES OF SEPARATION FOR GOD:**

**Moses** – Left the palace to walk with God in the wilderness. You can't cling to comfort and walk in your calling.

**Daniel** – Stayed faithful in a godless culture. He lived in Babylon, but didn't let Babylon live in him.

**Abraham** – Walked away from the familiar. Sometimes God says, 'Leave... and I'll show you.'

All three show us: separation is less about what we're leaving, and more about who we're moving toward.



## CHALLENGE QUESTIONS:

- Are you responding to God's grace or just carrying it around like an unused seed?
- Have you been delaying obedience, thinking you'll surrender later?
- Are you in relationships that are pulling you away from God's direction?
- Is your heart divided — or fully open to Him?

## NEXT STEPS:

- Surrender to grace — fully.
- Let God rearrange your priorities, your relationships, and your walk.
- Don't just receive His love — reflect it.

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