

Bay City Wesleyan Church
July 1, 2018

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Sunday Morning 07-01-2018

Jesus promised, "You will bear fruit, lots of fruit, lasting fruit." John 15:5

Let's pray at 1:55 PM daily to see Jesus producing fruit in and through us.

<http://bible.com/events/437682>

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Claiming the promise in 2018

<https://imageproxy-cdn.youversionapi.com/152x152/https://s3-us-west-2.amazonaws.com/mushroom-event-images-prod/5722009-1514675144006.jpg>

The Promise:

If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. (John 15:5)

What's Your Life Goal? Success or Significance? by Bill George

"What did you do to make a difference in the world?"

<http://fortune.com/2016/04/27/whats-your-life-goal-success-or-significance/>

Ephesians 2:1-10 NIV

<small>1</small> As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, <small>2</small> in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient. <small>3</small> All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our flesh and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature deserving of wrath. <small>4</small> But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, <small>5</small> made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. <small>6</small> And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, <small>7</small> in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. <small>8</small> For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— <small>9</small> not by works, so that no one can boast. <small>10</small> For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

<https://bible.com/bible/111/eph.2.1-10.NIV>

Sermon in a Sentence:

Grace is not license; grace is fuel.

Grace does not give us a license to do whatever we please. Grace fuels and energizes our drive to make a difference in the lives of people who need to receive God's grace. God's grace transforms us not because of our good works but so we can do his good works.

Grace is not license;
grace is not earned;
grace is fuel to join Jesus in his mission.