



GRACEFULL

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REMEMBER

May the Lord bless you and protect you; may the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; may the Lord look with favor on you and give you peace. — Numbers 6:24–26

READ

Read 2 Corinthians 8:1–15. Paul was an apostle who started many churches and wrote letters that became books in the Bible. In this letter, he tells about one church that had gone through hard times. Although the people had very little,

God’s grace moved their hearts to be generous in helping others. Another church was strong in faith and knowledge, but they needed to grow in the grace of giving. They had plenty and could help those who had less.

Paul reminds us that Jesus left the riches of heaven’s glory to be born a poor baby. Because of His sacrifice, we get to receive the riches of salvation by grace. Jesus’ example of empowering the powerless is what we should follow. Everything we have has been given to us by God, and we grow by giving to others. Then we will be full and overflowing with grace—GraceFull!

THINK

1. In this story, the church collects a grace offering to lift up Anna’s family. Where do you find opportunities to help others?
2. Hope and Anna are friends at church. How are their families the same? How are they different?
3. Anna’s family has to live in a shelter for a while. Some homeless people live on the street. How would you want to be treated if you were homeless? Why?
4. The homeless shelter is called The Chen House. Chen is a Hebrew word that means “grace.” How does grace make families at The Chen House feel? Why?
5. In the story, grace is in the worship song about God’s favor, in the rain that showers down, and in the flowers that grow and are given as a gift. How does God show grace to you? How can you share it with others?