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Sermon Notes for October 13th, 2024 "What's So Amazing About Grace?" "Accepting Jesus on His Terms"

Sermon Text: **John 3:27-36 (p. 1130)**; Old Testament Text: **Psalm 96:1-8 (p. 634)**; New Testament Text: **Romans 5:1-5 (p. 1198)**.

Read John 3:27-36 (p. 1130); as you listen to the sermon, then answer the questions below.

1. In **John 3:27**, John the Baptist said, "A person can receive only what is given them from heaven.

In your own words, explain what John the Baptist was saying here.

2. In John 3:28, John the Baptist said, You yourselves can testify that I said, 'I am not the Messiah but am sent ahead of him.'

Why is John the Baptist so concerned that his disciples (and us) have a right understanding of who Jesus is and who he is?

3. In **John 3:29 (NIV)**, John the Baptist says, "*The bride belongs to the bridegroom*." What is John the Baptist hoping to communicate to his disciples with that statement?

Why was John the Baptist's description of himself as the best man and Jesus as the bridegroom such a perfect example of what John the Baptist did for Jesus's ministry?

4. In John 3:30 (NIV), John the Baptist said, "He must become greater; I must become less."

Who is the *He* John the Baptist is talking about?

What would your life look like if you adopted that same way of thinking?

5.	Explain what John the Baptist means, when he says in John 3:31: The one who comes from above is above all; the one who is from the earth belongs to the earth, and speaks as one from the earth. The one who comes from heaven is above all.
6.	In John 3:32 , when John the Baptist says, <i>He testifies to what he has seen and heard, but no one accepts his testimony,</i> Pr. Dave said John the Baptist was exaggerating to make a point. How do we know John the Baptist was exaggerating?
7.	In John 3:33 , John the Baptist says, "Whoever has accepted it (the testimony of Jesus) has certified that God is truthful." How did Pr. Dave say God shows His truthfulness when we accept Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior?
8.	John 3:34 declares, For the one whom God has sent speaks the words of God, for God gives the Spirit without limit. In His ministry on earth, Jesus was empowered by the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is referred to in the Bible as the Spirit of truth. Why should that fact make us more willing to trust and follow Jesus?
9.	John 3:35 says, <i>The Father loves the Son and has placed everything in his hands</i> . How should this verse help us understand we can find everything we need in Jesus?
10.	John 3:36 says, Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life, but whoever rejects the Son will not see life, for God's wrath remains on them. According to this verse, who determines if we go to heaven or to hell?
	Have you chosen heaven by asking Jesus to be Lord of your life?
11.	What will you most remember from this message?