

- 1. Share a time when you were given something (a gift, opportunity, or experience) you absolutely did not observe. How did that make you feel toward the person who gave it to you?
- 2. How do you think our culture views grace? How do you view grace?
- 3. Can you give an example of a person who felt they had to earn love in a relationship (parent/child, husband/wife, etc.)? What dangers arise in this kind of relationship?
  - a. How does this relate to works and salvation?
  - b. Why is it so important that works are the result of salvation and not viewed as a part of being saved?
- 4. Read "Grace Is a Social System", pages 306-308, as a group.
  - a. How does the quote, "So while the patron would never mention his gifts again, the client was to never fail to mention every gift he gave as often as possible" help us understand our role in receiving grace from God?
  - b. What is the difference between the words "faith" and "fidelity"?
- 5. Is there an area of your life that you are not showing God the loyalty that reflects His grace to you? What step could you take to align with God's grace in that area?

## **ACTION STEP**

Identify one thing digitally that you could do this week to express your appreciation of God's grace to you.