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**CHOSEN BIBLICAL New Testament SCRIPTURE-**



This month's **coloured attachment** scripture is **Philemon 1:3**

# "GRACE AND PEACE BE TO YOU FROM GOD OUR FATHER AND THE LORD JESUS CHRIST"

Grace and peace is a greeting that both Jews and Greeks used. Grace was a Greek form of greeting and peace was a Hebrew form of greeting. The standard Christian Greeting appears at the beginning of all thirteen letters of The Apostle Paul. **The Christians used this reception because it became widely known as a common form of welcome, which is sincere and not merely a matter of politeness.**

The salutation also links grace and peace with The Father and The Son, affirming Christ's deity. **Grace includes the undeserved merited favour which God showers upon believers, His people.** All the blessings of salvation freely come to believers through Christ.

**The result of grace, is peace.** As a believer experiences growth through the indwelling Holy Spirit, the greater degree of the peace of God. Peace is a spiritual serenity which stabilises the lives of believers in Christ.

The Lord Jesus Christ is given in its full significance of meaning, for if Christ was not fully God, it would be blasphemous to give Him such honour. Every believer requires more than merely human qualities.

The customary greeting is a means of grace resulting in peace. **God, Himself can only give these gifts Himself for His people.** Peace with God is a clarified Truth.

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## Interesting Bible Facts



**CHRIST AS SEEN IN THE BOOK OF**



**PHILEMON**

Jesus is The Great and Merciful Representative and Advocate

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★ **BIBLICAL KNOWLEDGE**- Did you know that any instructor who does not emphasize the divine nature of Christ, His Office, His atonement sacrifice, or any basic points of The New Testament Gospels is a false teacher? There are many warnings about false teachers claiming to be interpreters of the mind of God, who have no spiritual wisdom being unfit to guide others to the Truth. They instruct others on a path of man-made ideas.



There is a Colouring In page of such paths and the right path at

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AN APRIL EVENT- April

7, 1498. **Jerome Savonarola** lived in Florence during the height of the Italian Renaissance. His flashing dark eyes and blazing sermons electrified the city. Throngs waited for hours for cathedral doors to open, and thousands clung to his every word. Savonarola became city-manager and made Florence a republic. He initiated tax reforms, aided the poor, cleaned up the courts, and changed the city to a virtual monastery. He inspired the populace to **build bonfires for burning pornographic books and gambling equipment**. He also **rebuked the clergy, denouncing papal corruptions and was excommunicated**. He was arrested, tortured, and shortly afterward executed at the public square where the ordeal was to have occurred. The crowd who honoured him as a prophet and appointed him a statesman made him a martyr.

jesus said, "I have come that they might have life

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Grace

God Bless.

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**Heavenly Father, We thank You that You give rest to those who become confused, frustrated or insecure; we have the Peace that passes all understanding. In Jesus' Name. Amen.**

