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- Legalism is: keeping rules for rule's sake.
- Legalism is an obstacle that will prevent us from enjoying the presence of God.

A Violent Grace

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Matthew 27:27-31 Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole garrison around Him. 28 And they stripped Him and put a scarlet robe on Him. 29 When they had twisted a crown of thorns, they put *it* on His head, and a reed in His right hand. And they bowed the knee before Him and mocked Him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" 30 Then they spat on Him, and took the reed and struck Him on the head. 31 And when they had mocked Him, they took the robe off Him, put His *own* clothes on Him, and led Him away to be crucified.

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- Legalism is a system in which a person seeks to gain God's acceptance by what he does.

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- The first of God's gift of grace was violent unto death, but it gave us a relationship with God and brought peace and life.

A Creative Grace



-Ephesians 2:10-

For we are God's workmanship,

created in Christ Jesus

to do good works,

which God prepared

in advance for us to do.

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- God's creative grace ignores legalism because God is always doing something new and different.

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- When we as Christians try to win God's approval with good behavior, then we are living under the law of legalism.

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Matthew 11:28-30 Come to Me, all *you* who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29 Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For My yoke *is* easy and My burden is light.

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- God's creative grace is experienced when we allow Him to work out His purposes in us.

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- One of the gifts of God's grace is creative and surprising, yet it gives us purpose and brings peace and freedom.

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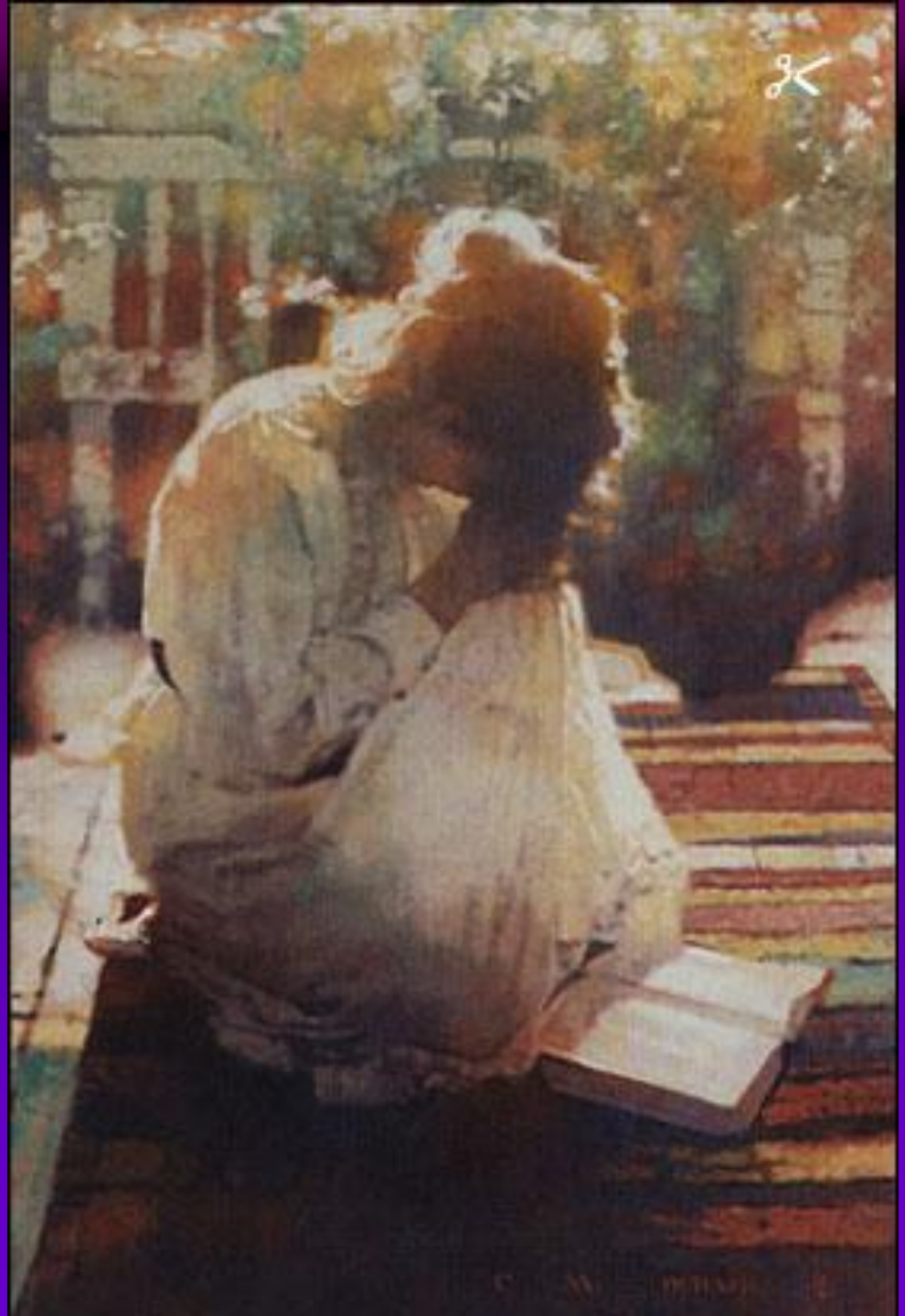
- **Ephesians 2:7** that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

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- Abiding grace dissolves the legalism that requires perfect performance.



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- The abiding grace of God draws us into intimacy with Him bringing peace and strength.



We always thank God for you, mentioning you in our prayers.
We continually remember before our God and Father
your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love,
and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.
I Thessalonians 1:1-2

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