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**KINGS: LESSONS FOR LIFE & LEADERSHIP**

**Manasseh: 2 Chronicles 33:1-20**

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**Definition of Grace**

- Grace is free sovereign favor to the *ill-deserving*. - *B.B. Warfield*
- In grace, God gives nothing less than Himself. Grace, then, is not a third thing or substance mediating between God and sinners, but is *Jesus Christ in redeeming action*. - *Michael Horton*

Manasseh is an extreme example of "ill-deserving".  
*2 Chronicles 33:2-7, 9*

**Six Principles of Grace from the life of Manasseh**  
*("Jesus Christ in redeeming action")*

1. Grace restrains judgment on us. *John 3:17*
2. Grace pursues us.
  - Through the Word of God. *2 Chronicles 33:10*
  - Through circumstances. *2 Chronicles 33:11*
3. Grace leads us to repentance. *2 Chronicles 33:12, Romans 2:4*
4. Grace forgives us. *2 Chronicles 33:13,23, Romans 5:20*
5. Grace sets us free. *2 Chronicles 33:13, Romans 5:21, 6:14*
6. Grace empowers us. *2 Chronicles 33:14-16, 2 Corinthians 12:9, 1 Corinthians 15:10, Hebrews 9:14*

Is God's grace working **IN** you or is God's grace working **ON** you?