Sermon Questions

1 Peter 5:10-11

"The God of All Grace"

(These questions will be shorter this week due to a shorter message from Pastor Jim)

- 1. What stood out to you in this week's message?
- 2. The definition of God's grace is God's unmerited favor to those who are undeserving. How have you experienced God's favor when you knew you were undeserving? Share a story from a past or current situation that highlights God's grace.
- 3. Read 1 Peter 5:10-11. Pastor Jim says that if he were going to rephrase these verses he thinks they would say: "God is taking each and every one of us who are believers in Jesus on a journey through life. That journey will by definition involve suffering and difficulty, but God's grace and his power will lead us safely through." What does it mean to be on a journey with the God of all grace? How does His grace meet you in the hardships? The blessings?
- 4. The amazing thing about God's grace is that it comes to us when we do not deserve it. Read the following stories of God's grace in Scripture:
 - a. David's healing process (Psalm 51)
 - b. Woman caught in adultery (John 8:1-11)
 - c. Matthew at the tax collector booth (Matthew 9:9),
 - d. Zacchaeus (Luke 19:1-10)
 - e. The thief on the cross (Luke 23:32-43)
 - f. Paul's conversion story (Acts 9:1-19).

What do these stories tell us about God's grace? How did God transform all of these people? How do these stories highlight the undeserving nature of grace?

5. Pray for one another. First, reflect individually on God's grace. Think back to the time when God rescued you and gifted you with salvation. Thank God for his rescuing grace. Second, pray for one another. Pray that God would reveal His grace to you in a fresh way. Ask God to show you His power as you journey with Him in this life. Finally, thank God for pouring out His grace on Calvary Church.