## Growing in the Grace of God Ephesians 2:2, 4-5, 8 Romans 5:1-2

- 1. How it started: He passed our way.
  - A. Examples: Note: They had to go where Jesus was to pass by.
    - 1. Blind Bartimaeus Mark 11:46-52
    - 2. The woman with an issue of blood.
      - Mark 5:25-30, 33-34
    - 3. Zacchaeus Luke 19:2-5, 9-10
  - B. As it happened to each of us. Acts 2:38
    - 1. Repentance
    - 2. Baptism in water
    - 3. Filled with the Holy Ghost
  - C. Now... we must grow in the Love and Grace of God.
- 2. Building a relationship with Christ.
  - A. Matt. 16:13-18 ... "upon this Rock".
    - 1. Prayer
    - 2. Worship
    - 3. Bible Reading
    - 4. Private devotion
    - 5. Faithful church attendance
    - 6. Attending advanced Bible classes.
  - B. Note! It is God's will that we bare fruit. **Matt. 13:3-8, 18-23; John 15:1-5, 8** We must help others be saved as someone helped us.
- 3. Effective ways to be fruitful.
  - A. Handing out tracts and flyers.
  - B. Canvassing a neighborhood.
  - C. Teaching Home Bible Studies.
    - 1. When God led me in this direction.