

## God Is Gracious

The Lord is gracious and righteous;  
our God is full of compassion.  
The Lord protects the simplehearted;  
when I was in great need, he saved  
me.

Be at rest once more, O my soul,  
for the Lord has been good to you.

The Word became flesh and made  
his dwelling among us. We have seen  
his glory, the glory of the One and Only,  
who came from the Father, full of grace  
and truth.

From the fullness of his grace we  
have all received one blessing after  
another. For the law was given through

Moses; grace and truth came through  
Jesus Christ.

But because of his great love for us,  
God, who is rich in mercy, made us  
alive with Christ even when we were  
dead in transgressions—it is by grace  
you have been saved. And God raised  
us up with Christ and seated us with  
him in the heavenly realms in Christ  
Jesus, in order that in the coming ages  
he might show the incomparable riches  
of his grace, expressed in his kindness  
to us in Christ Jesus. For it is by grace  
you have been saved, through  
faith—and this not from yourselves, it is  
the gift of God—not by works, so that no  
one can boast.

Psalm 116:5-7; John 1:14, 16-17  
Ephesians 2:4-9