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# Saints in Christ Jesus

Philippians 4:21-23



## **Philippians 4:21–23 (ESV)**

**Greet every saint in Christ Jesus. The brothers who are with me greet you. <sup>22</sup> All the saints greet you, especially those of Caesar's household. <sup>23</sup> The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.**



# Philippians 4:21 (AV/**ESV**)



- Salute every saint in Christ Jesus.
- Greet every saint in Christ Jesus.

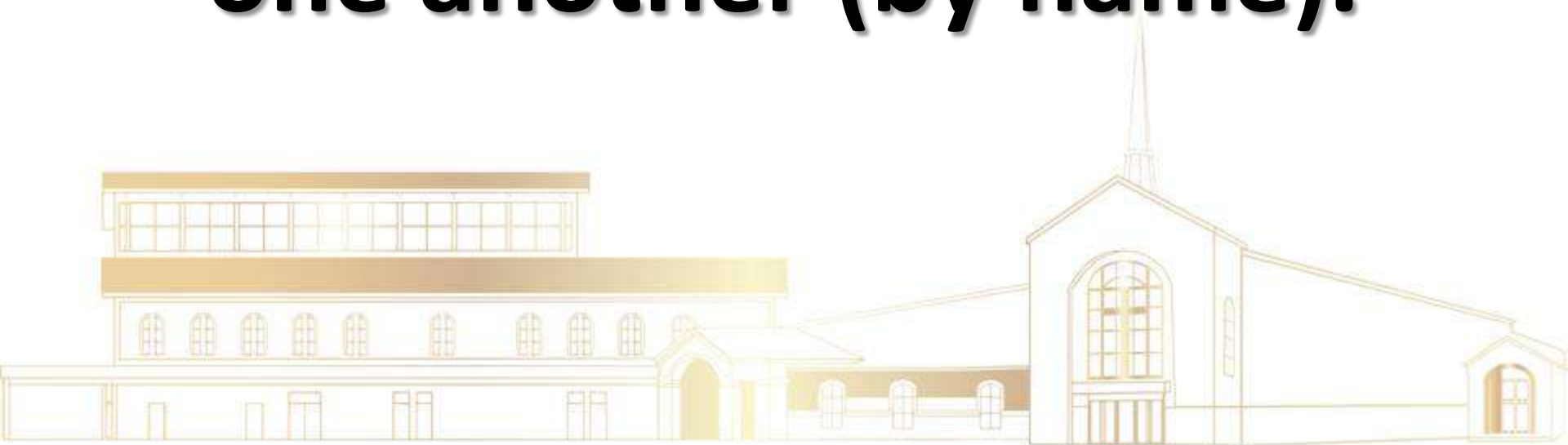
# Romans 16:16

- Greet one another with a holy kiss.
- All the churches of Christ greet you.



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**I join Paul this morning to  
admonish you to GREET  
one another (by name).**



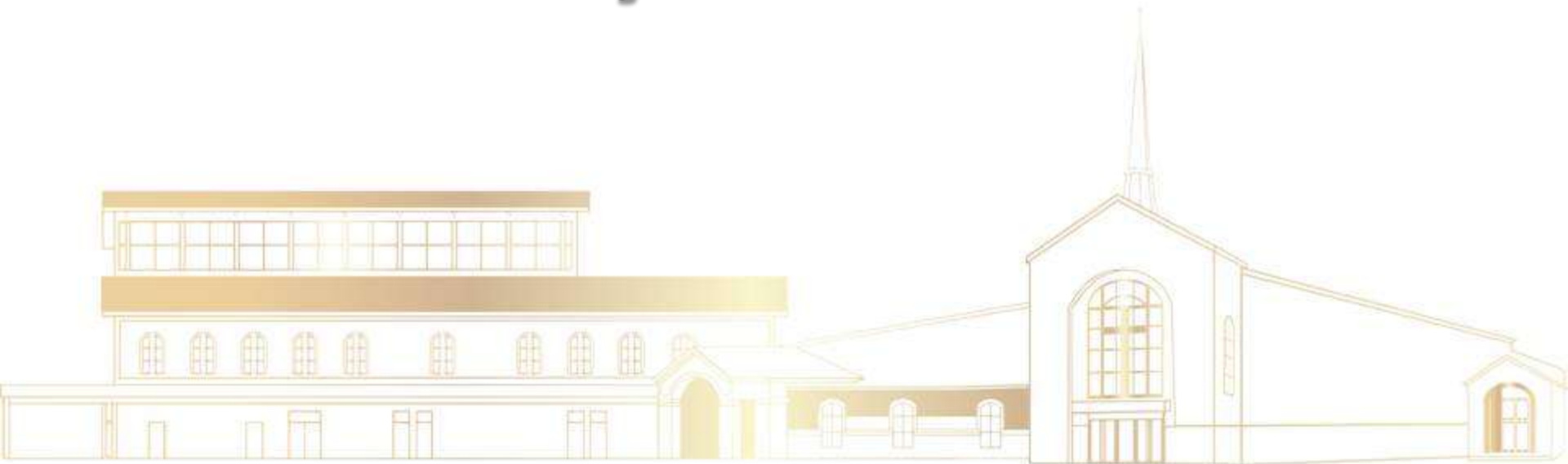
# 3 John 14

- But I trust I shall shortly see thee, and we shall speak face to face. Peace *be* to thee. **Our friends salute thee. Greet the friends by name.**



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**Find your friends in the  
body of Christ.**



# Philippians 4:21b



- The brothers who are with me greet you.



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# Turn to Matthew 12:46ff

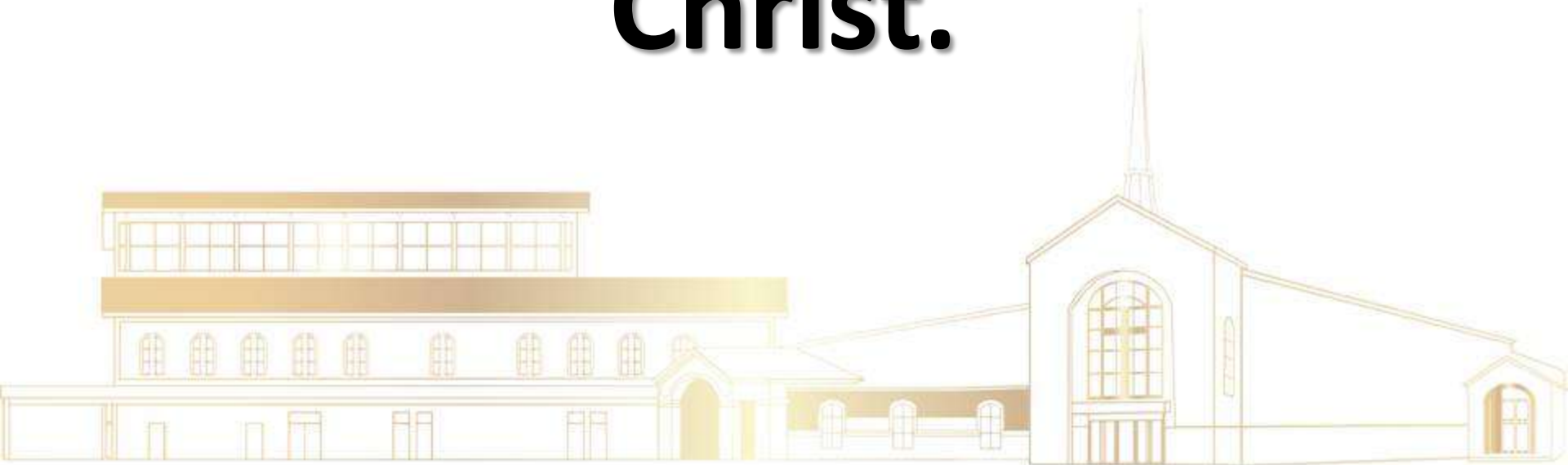


**46 While he was still speaking to the people, behold, his mother and his brothers stood outside, asking to speak to him. 48 But he replied to the man who told him, “Who is my mother, and who are my brothers?” 49 And stretching out his hand toward his disciples, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother.”**



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**We are family—  
brothers & sisters in  
Christ.**



- 1. Greeting one another.**
- 2. Knowing each other's name.**
- 3. Brothers and Sisters**
- 4. Friends**

**All reflect what it is like to be in the  
body of Christ.**



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**Think About**  
**you are part of**

**“The Body of  
Christ”**



# Philippians 4:21



• Greet every **saint** in  
Christ Jesus.

Saint is Paul's favorite  
description of the Christian.

every	G3956	πᾶς <i>pas</i>
saint	G40	ἅγιος <i>hagios</i>
in	G1722	ἐν <i>en</i>
Christ	G5547	Χριστός <i>Christos</i>



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## KJV Translation Count — Total: 229x



**The KJV translates Strong's G40 in the following manner:** *holy* (161x), *saints* (61x), *Holy One* (4x), *miscellaneous* (3x).

## Outline of Biblical Usage [?]

*/*. most holy thing, a saint

## Strong's Definitions [?]

(Strong's Definitions Legend)

ἅγιος *hágios*, hag'-ee-os; from ἅγος *hágos* (an awful thing) (compare G53, G2282); sacred (physically, pure, morally blameless or religious, ceremonially, consecrated): —(most) holy (one, thing), saint.





**Every reference to  
saint and saints  
reminds the disciple of  
Christ of two  
important truths.**



**1. Christ has made us holy  
through his atoning work  
on the cross.**

**2. Having been made holy  
God expects us to be holy.**



# Hebrews 10:10 (NET)

- By his will we have been
- **made holy** through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

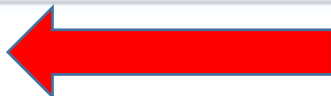
**sanctified**





## Part of Speech

verb



## Root Word (Etymology)

From ἅγιος (G40)

## Textus Receptus Occurrences — 29x in 21 unique form(s)

ἁγιάζει — 1x

ἁγιάζεται — 1x

ἁγιαζόμενοι — 1x

ἁγίασον — 1x

ἡγίασεν — 1x

ἡγιάσθη — 1x

SHOW ALL

## KJV Translation Count — Total: 29x

**The KJV translates Strong's G37 in the following manner:** sanctify (26x), hallow (2x), be holy (1x).



**Every Bible reference to  
“sanctified” reminds me of  
God’s work in setting me  
apart as holy through Christ’s  
work on the cross and God’s  
expectation for me to be  
holy.**

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# Notice How Paul Describes Christians in Colossians 3:12 As Holy



- Put on then, as God's chosen ones, **holy and beloved**, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience,
- Therefore, as the elect of God, **holy and dearly loved**, clothe yourselves with a heart of mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience,



**God has not made his  
children holy so that  
they can be unholy  
and unrighteous.**





# Galatians 3:11

- Now it is evident that no one is justified before God by the law, for **“The righteous shall live by faith.”**



**Interestingly Jesus did not come to save the righteous or call the righteous—He came for sinners.**

**Yet Christ consistently refers to His followers as the ‘righteous.’**

**Turn to Matthew 13:49ff  
“mini Olivet Discourse”**



**The harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. <sup>40</sup> Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. <sup>41</sup> The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers, <sup>42</sup> and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. <sup>43</sup> Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.**



# Turn to

# 1 Peter 1:14-16



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- As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, <sup>15</sup> but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, <sup>16</sup> since it is written, “You shall be holy, for I am holy.”



**Holiness is NOT Baptist, Nazarene, Pentecostal or any other group associated with personal holiness.**

**Holiness is NOT legalistic.**

**Holiness is NOT reserved for an elite group of Christians.**

**Holiness is Godly.**

**Holiness is Biblical.**



# Revelation 22:11 (ESV)

- Let the evildoer still do evil,  
and the filthy still be filthy,
- and the righteous still do  
right,
- and the holy still be  
holy.”



- **Just**
- **Righteous**
- **Holy**
- **Sanctified**

**All communicate the same meaning.**





**Paul identifies his  
own conduct as holy  
in  
1 Thessalonians 2:10**



# 1 Thessalonians 2:10

- You are witnesses, and God also,  
**how holy and  
righteous and  
blameless** was our conduct  
toward you believers.



**“In Christ”  
is what  
unites us!**



# Galatians 3:28

- There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, **for you are all one in Christ Jesus.**



# Galatians 5:6

- For **in Christ Jesus** neither circumcision nor uncircumcision counts for anything, but only faith working through love.



# Philippians 4:23



- The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.



**The concept of divine grace is what sets the religion of the Bible apart from every other religion on the planet including Judaism and the religion of the Muslims.**

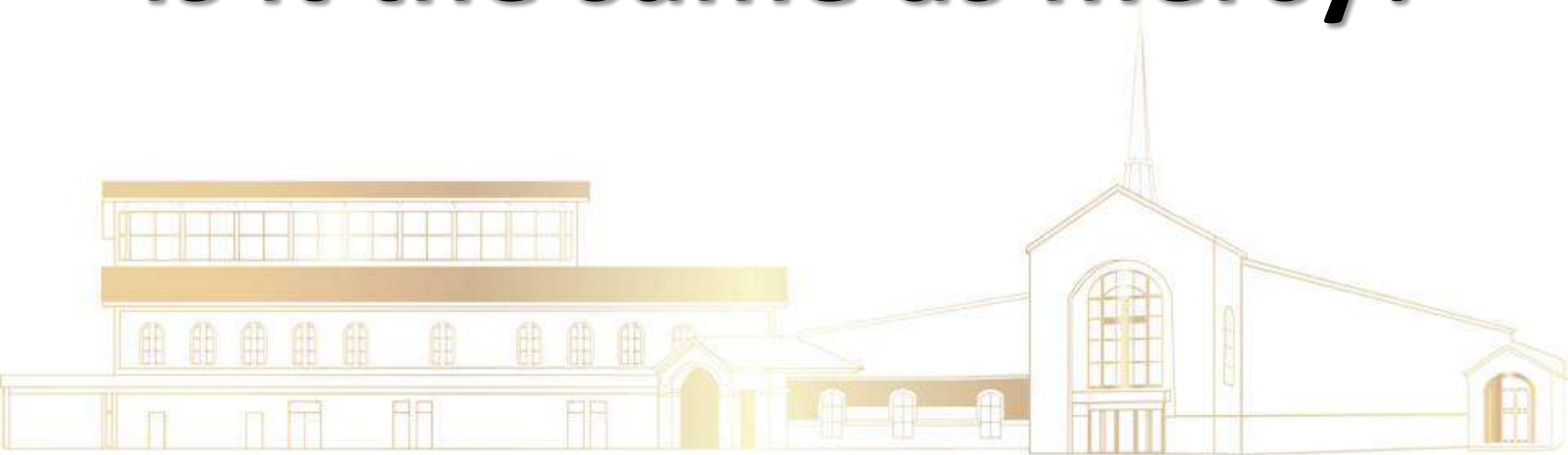
**The concept of divine grace is so important that it is fair to say you can't understand the religion of Christ Jesus our Lord without a comprehensive understanding of grace.**





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**What is grace?**  
**Is it the same as mercy?**



**We call the  
words we pray  
before we eat  
GRACE.  
Why?**



Catholics pray:

"Bless us, O Lord, and these,  
Thy gifts, which we are about  
to receive from Thy bounty.  
Through Christ, our Lord.  
Amen. "

(Preceded and followed by the Sign of  
the Cross.)



**We sing:**

**Amazing Grace, How sweet the  
sound**

**That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost, but now am  
found**

**T'was blind but now I see**



# Philippians 1:1-2



- Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus, To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are at Philippi, with the overseers and deacons: <sup>2</sup> Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**1 a: unmerited divine  
assistance given man for his  
regeneration or sanctification**

**b: a virtue coming from  
God**

**c: a state of sanctification enjoyed  
through divine grace**



**The concept of grace defined as God's active involvement on behalf of his creatures in their states of need receives a sharper focus in the NT.**

Gilbert Bilezikian, Baker Encyclopedia of the Bible



# Ephesians 2:8

- For **by grace you have been saved through faith.**
- And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,







I want to look at  
**three scriptures**  
about grace



# 2 Corinthians 9:8

- And God is able to make all grace abound to you,
- so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times,
- you may abound in every good work.



**Paul is describing grace as virtue here.**

**This is invisible and purely supernatural.**

**This is the capacity to do what you otherwise would not be able to do if you were not saved.**



# Hebrews 4:16 (AV)

- Let us therefore come boldly unto **the throne of grace**, that we may obtain mercy, **and find grace to help in time of need.**



- **Grace to be saved**
- **Grace to endure**
- **Grace to trust**
- **Grace to forgive**
- **Grace to repent**
- **Grace to change**
- **Grace to be reconciled**
- **Grace to be patient**
- **Grace to** \_\_\_\_\_



# Titus 2:11-12 (NET)

- For **the grace of God** has appeared, bringing salvation to all people.<sup>12</sup> It trains us to reject godless ways and worldly desires and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age,

