

## P R E F A C E

The material included in these pages, is meant to give you something as a basic help in your presentation of the LIFE IN GRACE talk. You are encouraged to follow the outline guide for DIRECTION OF CONTENT, but NOT AS THE CONTENT itself.

This is the second talk of the third day. It begins with a resume of the Cursillo up to this point. That is to help the candidate make the transition back to the world God called us to live in. It emphasizes that for this life of Christ in us to be maintained, that life needs to be nourished by His grace. As you prepare your talk, please be sure to read all of the supporting Scripture passages, then choose those passages which seem most appropriate for your rollo. When you give your rollo, please read the passages you choose as a part of your talk. The amount of time allotted for this talk is a maximum of 30 minutes.

There are a few additional materials listed that might be helpful to you. All material given to you is meant to guide your thinking while at the same time you have the freedom of your individual expression.

God's blessings be yours as you prepare for your presentation of the LIFE IN GRACE rollo.

#### SYNOPSIS

The LIFE IN GRACE talk underlines the fact that the Christian Life (Life of Christ in us) is to be maintained by allowing that life to be nourished by God's grace. It is, by His grace, the placing of ourselves in the position where God can maintain the life that He has given to us.

#12 LIFE IN GRACE

Introduction of oneself

This is a good time to weave into introduction aspects of your own Life of Grace.

1. Introduction

"LIFE IN GRACE" - "LIFE IN CHRIST"

- A. Review of last couple of days
  - 1. Emphasis on Grace
  - 2. God's love to us in Jesus Christ
- B. Longing we have for the Life we are having together this weekend.
- C. Can you live the Christian Life?
  - 1. Typical answers
    - a. I don't know
    - b. I'm trying hard
    - c. It's hard
    - d. I do the best I can
  - 2. I'm here to say to you YOU CANNOT LIVE THE CHRISTIAN LIFE - but I've got good news, - Christ can live that life in you and through you.
    - a. It's not try harder, but trust more.
    - b. Lord, help me. No, Lord, you do it.
    - c. After this weekend, I'll turn over a new leaf. No, let Jesus live that life in and through you.

II. Vital Union With Jesus Christ is the Secret of The Christian Life

- A. Let's look at some Scripture
  - John 15:5
  - Galatians 2:20
  - etc.
- B. Vital union with Christ is our pardon
  - Romans 8:1
  - Romans 5:9
  - I John 5:11
- C. Vital union with Christ is our Power, Purpose and Peace
  - 1. Power Eph. 1:19
    - Eph. 3:16-17,20
    - John 13:34-35 power to love
  - 2. Purpose John 10:10
  - 3. Peace John 14:27
    - Romans 5:1

He is your everything

III. Union Grows and Develops Through Disciplines

- A. Prayer
  - 1. Talking to God - not about; talking with God - not at
  - 2. Alone (Matt. 6:6) or with others (Matt. 18:19) claiming Gods' promise John 15:7
  - 3. Being open to God - being honest

## B. Study of The Word

1. Given for formation - to be like Christ Rom. 10:17
2. Confronts us with our sin Rom. 3:23
3. Secret of abiding in Christ James 4:8
4. It comforts and gives encouragement  
I Peter 5:7, I Cor. 10:13
5. Gives awareness who God is and of His claim upon us  
Gal. 4:1-7

## C. Time of Worship

1. Individual, family, church, groups
2. We are fed, strengthened, kept from sin
3. Belonging to God's people is reinforced
4. Speak to Him - He speaks to us
5. Sermon is God's gift to me -- no such thing as a sermon  
for somebody else.

## D. Service I John 3:18

1. Be available - be willing to take time for others
2. Be open to God's leading and to the people He places in  
your life.

## IV. Conclusion

- A. God is source of all grace John 14:6
- B. Vital union with Christ is essential for living Christian  
life - Life in Grace Gal. 2:20