

# The Grace of the Lord Jesus Be With God's People

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The TaNaKh ends with a curse. Malachi prophesied: **See, I will send you the prophet Elijah before that great and dreadful day of ADONAI comes. He will turn the hearts of the fathers to their children, and the hearts of the children to their fathers; or else I will come and strike the land with a curse (Malachi 4:5-6).** However, the New Covenant ends with a benediction of **grace** upon believers. **The grace of the Lord Jesus be with God's people.** **Grace** is extended to all, but if anyone refuses the offer that is extended, he or she must bear the judgment pronounced in this book. **Grace** is still offered because it is **the Lord's** method of saving sinners. John Newton said it best:

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound,  
That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found,  
Was blind, but now I see.

To which we can only respond, along with **John**, and with deep thanksgiving say: **Amen! He** is trustworthy!