

**Refocus #2**  
**The Gravity of Grace**  
**Ephesians 3:14-21/ January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024**  
**Ben Miller**

*What good is it to know there is a God if we cannot learn about Him? Through Jesus, we learn that our God has gone to great lengths to reveal Himself. At the core of His revealed character, we find God's love. Our response to that love becomes the very center and motive of our faith.*

**REVIEW OF LAST WEEK - A GOD WHO REVEALS HIS GLORY**

- Romans 1:20 - clearly seen by what He has made so that we are without excuse

**A KNOWABLE GOD**

- Moses meeting "I Am" (Exodus 3:14)
- Jesus' I AM statements (John 6:35, 8:12, 10:7, 11:25, 10:11, 14:6, 15:1)
- Hebrews 12:1 - the race marked out for us

**A TEACHABLE MOMENT WITH NICODEMUS - JOHN 3**

**THE GRAVITY OF GRACE**

- 2 Corinthians 5:14-15 - For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.
- Synecho | συνέχω | controls (ESV), compels (NIV) - the love of Christ redirects us

## **A TEACHABLE MOMENT WITH PETER - MATTHEW 18**

Forgiven people forgive people.

Loved people love people.

People who are seen and known become people who see and know.

*“Do you believe that the God of Jesus loves you beyond worthiness and unworthiness, beyond fidelity and infidelity—that he loves you in the morning sun and in the evening rain—that he loves you when your intellect denies it, your emotions refuse it, your whole being rejects it. Do you believe that God loves without condition or reservation and loves you this moment as you are and not as you should be.”*

- Brennan Manning, A Ragamuffin Memoir