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**Grace**

# **Four Prayer Requests / Ephesians 3:14-21**

**Chapters 1-3** How God is gracious to us

**Chapters 4-6** How we are to live-out grace

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(v14-16)

# 1 Samuel 30:4

So David and his men wept aloud until they had no strength left to weep. (NIV®)

# 1 Samuel 30:6

David was greatly distressed because the men were talking of stoning him; each one was bitter in spirit because of his sons and daughters. But David found strength in the Lord his God. (NIV®)

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# Matthew 13:5-6

Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. 6 But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root. (NIV®)



# Matthew 13:20-21

The seed falling on rocky ground refers to someone who hears the word and at once receives it with joy. 21 But since they have no root, they last only a short time. When trouble or persecution comes because of the word, they quickly fall away. (NIV®)

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