



# UNDER HIS WINGS

SEASON 4

EPISODE 68 – Is There A Checklist To Get Into Heaven?

## SHOW NOTE HIGHLIGHTS

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### Episode Show Notes

“I thought my life was about following rules and measuring up to abstract standards. I knew God loved *you* perfectly but didn’t feel it myself. I’m afraid I thought more about getting into heaven than being with my Heavenly Father.” ~Elder Daines Conference talk, Sir We Would Like To See Christ:

<https://www.churchofjesuschrist.org/study/general-conference/2023/10/13daines?lang=eng#author1>

He Received Grace For Grace: Article from Bryce L. Dunford. “Christ progressed, He offered to the Father His obedience and willingness to do the Father’s will and received from the Father the appropriate “grace for grace.” We are to follow this same pattern. If individuals have been given added light and knowledge because of their obedience, they are required to be more obedient than they were before they received the added light. If they, in turn, increase their obedience, humility, and repentance to match the new added light, they receive additional light, which requires them to live a higher level of obedience. If they increase their obedience, they receive an increase in light, and so on. This cycle continues “until,” as the Lord stated, the individual “is glorified in truth and knoweth all things” (D&C 93:28): <https://rsc.byu.edu/vol-3-no-2-2002/he-received-grace-grace-dc-9312>

God doesn’t need us to check off the boxes. He doesn’t need us to climb the ladder. **He wants our hearts:** God's laws are predicated by obedience to those laws... we will also see that doctrine actually teaches us to “To be anxiously engaged and Do many things of our own free will” (D&C 58:27 and to “Not run faster than we have strength.” It teaches us that wickedness never was happiness but that the Lord loves “mercy more than sacrifice” (Matthew 9:13) and “obedience more than sacrifice” (1 Samuel 15:22).

Pat Holland’s thoughts: “Simplify. The gospel was made to be ‘beautifully simple, and simply beautiful’. It was never to be looked at as some mountain to climb. The Lord wants our hearts. He wants us to love Him...and then when you truly love him obedience is so much easier.”

<https://www.churchofjesuschrist.org/media/video/2023-01-1000-january-2023-worldwide-devotional-for-young-adults-with-elder-and-sister-holland?lang=eng>