

Grace Goes Before Us

Eternal God,
timeless God,
Your grace always goes ahead of us,
planning and preparing for our salvation.
You always take the first step.
We decide whether to
trust You or
reject You.
But You do everything You can to
invite us and
draw us in.
You are there,
watching,
listening,
eager to nurture the tiniest flicker of response.
You are
“always,
everywhere,
calling everyone to Yourself” (Paul Bassett).

Before we had any interest in You,
before we were even born,
before the foundation of the world,
You were already working to draw us to Yourself.
You broke down every barrier
between You and us.
You chose that all who repented and trusted You
would be saved.
You called us.
And as we responded, You
forgave us,
cleansed us,
adopted us, and
“blessed us with every spiritual blessing...in Christ” (Ephesians 1:3, NASB).
Before we were even aware of You,
You were moving heaven and earth
to bring us near.

And even now,
and through all time,
Your unmerited grace is going before us,

longing to share Your life,
Your joy,
Yourself,
completely,
constantly, and
forever.

Hymn: Grace Goes Before Us

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