

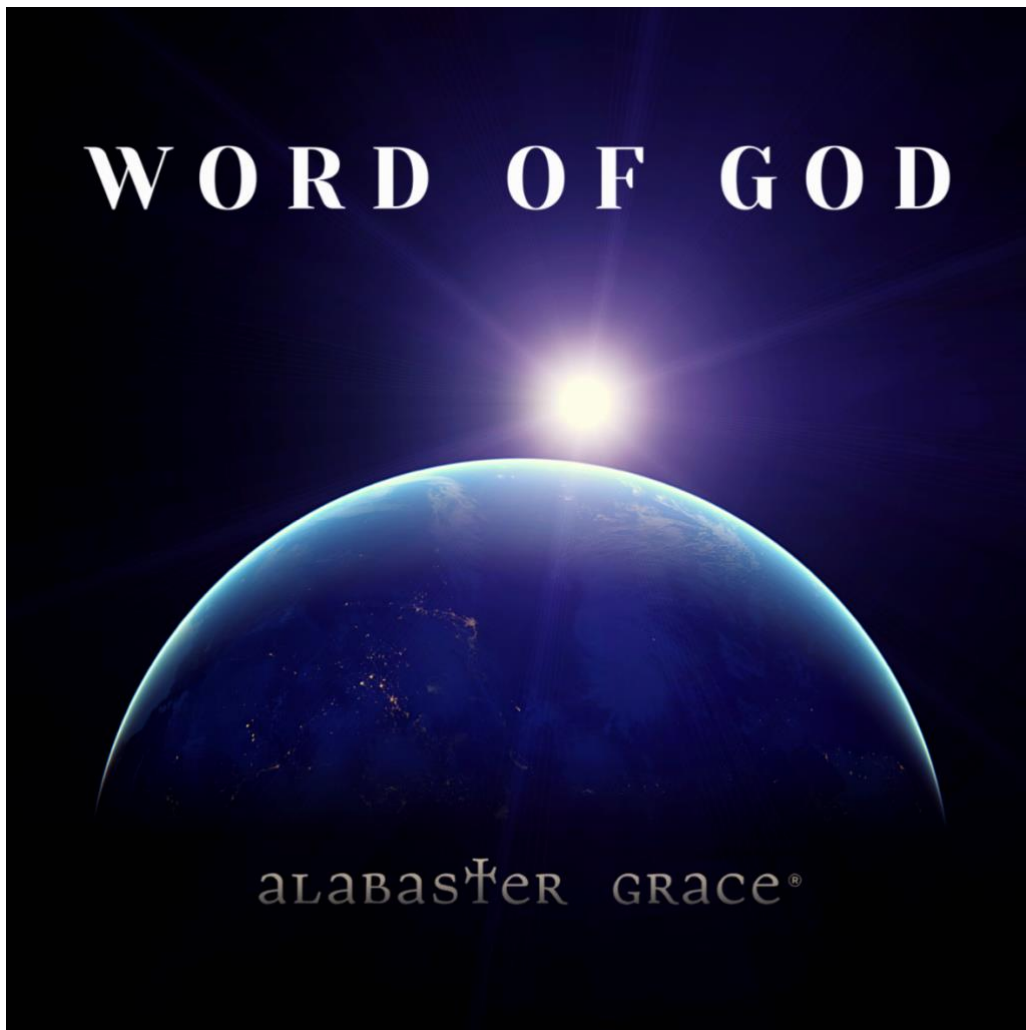
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**NEW RADIO SINGLE, "WORD OF GOD," FROM HUSBAND & WIFE DUO ALABASTER GRACE
DEBUTS AT NO. 4 ON *LOUDER THAN THE MUSIC* SINGLES CHART**

**Former Award-Winning NASA Rocket Scientist & Educator's Messianic-Inspired, Globally-Influenced
Worship Song Produced by Dove Award Winner Chris Bevins Spends Two Weeks in the Top 5**



"Word of God," the new single from husband and wife worship duo Alabaster Grace (Brad and Joanie Perry), debuted at No. 4 and has spent two weeks in the Top 5 on the Louder Than The Music Singles Chart. (Cover image courtesy of Alabaster Grace)

NASHVILLE, TN. (October 21, 2021) - "Word of God," the latest radio single from husband and wife duo Alabaster Grace, debuted at the No. 4 position and has spent two weeks in the Top 5 on the *Louder Than The Music* Singles Chart.

The song has been in good company, sharing the top chart positions with singles by Martin Smith (former Delirious frontman), Moriah (Mexican-American Christian recording artist and the wife of for KING & COUNTRY's Joel Smallbone), and seven-time *Billboard* Top 30 songwriter and indie artist Devin Williams. Fans can listen to "**Word of God**" and watch the official music video [here](#).

"I am so excited for '**Word of God**' charting," says Kathryn Livingston, Client Services Manager for Westar Media Group. "It is well deserved for a great song with an inspiring message. We're so excited for the growth of this song and Alabaster Grace."

"Great news to hear that '**Word of God**' is in the Top 10 of new singles. God is ministering through Alabaster Grace," says Colleen Dick, General Manager, The Word in Praise: Contemporary Christian Music WWIP 89.1 FM.

Brad and Joanie Perry—together known professionally as Alabaster Grace—have committed their creativity, intellect, and passion to create worship music that is thoughtful, insightful, and reverent.

"Our hopes and prayers are that everyone hearing this song will be drawn close to Jesus," says Brad, an award-winning former NASA rocket scientist as well as the duo's guitarist and guitar arranger. Brad insists that while music ministry is not rocket science, it is no less important and warrants just as much thought, focus, and precision. While he used to train astronauts for their shuttle missions and was on the design team for the International Space Station, today, his focus revolves around worship.

The eclectic "**Word of God**" is as musically intricate as it is lyrically intriguing. Exploring Messianic rhythms as it extols Yeshua (Jesus Christ) as Messiah, Redeemer, and King, the song is thoughtfully crafted and meticulously executed.

The song was penned by Joanie, an educator as well as the duo's singer and primary songwriter, while Brad wrote the guitar parts. Together, Joanie and Brad further developed the song and crafted the arrangement along with multiple Dove Award-winning producer Chris Bevins (producer and keyboards for Selah, Salvador, Jaci Velasquez), who brought the song to life.

In addition to serving as keyboardist, Bevins, in turn, brought in some of Nashville's other finest studio musicians for the recording, including drummer Dan Needham (Amy Grant, Jeremy Camp, Michael McDonald, Sting), guitarist Mike Payne (Casting Crowns, Francesca Battistelli, Mandisa, Lauren Daigle, Natalie Grant), and bassist Jacob Lowery (Gaither Vocal Band, Seth & Nirva).

"**Word of God**" was birthed out of a time of Bible study, employing rich, acoustic Middle Eastern-style chord progressions that connect listeners to the Holy Land, where Christ was born, served, and eventually laid down his life for the sins of the world. Drawn from the first chapter of the Gospel of John, it reflects the awesome concept that the Word was with God in the beginning, and the Word was God.

"As I moved through the writing process, I expanded on the names of God," says Joanie. "That ultimately led to examining what our Lord has done for us. He laid down His life for us all as the Lamb of God! The Gospel of John is just so rich. Our prayer is that people will hear the song and want to delve deeper into the Word of God. We think the Gospel of John is a great place to start."

With its beautiful vocals, acoustic flavors, and world-infused rhythms, "**Word of God**" is striking a resounding chord with a world that is hungry for answers.

To stream or download Alabaster Grace's new single, "**Word of God**," click [here](#). For more information about Alabaster Grace, visit alabastergraceministries.org, or follow on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), or [Twitter](#).

About Alabaster Grace:

He was a rocket scientist. She was a teacher. Today, they are Alabaster Grace, creating eclectic, thoughtful worship music that is as diverse and intriguing as their life story.

Brad Perry grew up in a Christian home and was drawn to aeronautics and space from a young age. He and his father even constructed a full-scale model of the Apollo Command Module in their basement, in which Brad simulated an actual Apollo mission in real time. Local and national media outlets covered his feat, which led to his NASA career. At age 18, while studying aerospace engineering at Georgia Tech, Brad became one of the youngest cooperative education students to ever start at NASA. After graduation, he was hired by NASA's Johnson Space Center. Except for a six-year stint flying as a U.S. Air Force pilot, he worked continuously for NASA until retiring in 2013.



Former rocket scientist, Brad Perry (L) along with his wife, librarian and educator Joanie Perry (R), create emotive, thoughtful worship experiences as Alabaster Grace (Keoni Keur photo)

During Brad's NASA career, he was on the design team of the International Space Station, served as an astronaut instructor for the Space Shuttle, and eventually became the Director of NASA's Science Support Office.

His hard work earned two of NASA's highest honors—the Exceptional Service Medal and the Outstanding Leadership Medal.

While Brad had his eyes to the sky, Joanie was, and still is, a tour de force as a singer, educator, and librarian. Throughout a challenging childhood and difficult marriage, which led to divorce, Joanie learned to trust God. When she and Brad met on Christian Mingle, she never once doubted God's divine plan for her life. "Sometimes God will do miracles beyond what you can even think or imagine, just as the Bible says," Joanie muses. "When Brad came along, God gave me a second chance to share my life with someone who truly loves me, cherishes me, and accepts me for who I am. And, as an added bonus, the Lord has allowed us to be partners in our music ministry."

Long before this pair of licensed ministers met in 2012 and started their musical ministry as Alabaster Grace, Brad and Joanie each learned to cling to God's promises. Especially dear to them is Romans 8:28 — "We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to His purpose (NRSV)."

"We feel like we have lived Romans 8:28," says Joanie, referring to trying times both had before they met. "Both of us have been through some very hard times in our lives, but every time we have been in a difficult situation, the Lord has worked everything out for our good."

Their unique backgrounds have contributed to a diverse and eclectic approach to their music. Regardless of the style or topic of each individual song, Alabaster Grace hopes to be a beacon of light to music lovers, pointing them to Jesus.

The couple has had a steady stream of concerts, leading worship, and sharing sermons and inspirational presentations. Be it a church, retreat, conference, or coffeehouse, an audience of one or a thousand, Brad and Joanie love meeting people exactly where they are on their faith journey.

"We want to be obedient servants," adds Brad. "It's not about us. It's about drawing others closer to the heart of God through song and worship, and offering everyone hope and encouragement. With our song lyrics being Scripture-based, we pray that people will search out and read their Bible after hearing the music. We just want to be good and faithful servants with the talents and the gifts God has given us."

The duo's latest single, "**Word of God**," is resonating with radio and industry professionals. "**Word of God**" by Alabaster Grace incorporates a unique style of music that makes it stand out from other songs, and ties it to the Holy Land," says Kathryn Livingston of Westar Media Group. "The lyrics shine a light on the first Chapter of John and that God is the creator of Earth. This is a must-hear song!"

Colleen Dick, General Manager, The Word in Praise: Contemporary Christian Music WWIP 89.1 FM, echoes the sentiment, saying, "**Word of God**" by Alabaster Grace is a timeless reminder of who God is and what He did for us. I appreciate the use of scripture and love the musical style."

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