OBTAINING AND WALKING IN THE FAVOUR OF GOD

INTRODUCTION

Favour is the manifested goodwill of God extended to an individual. It expresses His grace, bringing divine opportunities, supernatural help, and extraordinary breakthroughs. The favour of God is not random or accidental; it is often the result of a life that pleases Him. While it is true that God sovereignly grants favour, there is also a personal responsibility to posture oneself in a way that attracts and sustains it. God does not show favour arbitrarily; He works in His people to will and to do (Philippians 2:13), enabling them to make choices and take actions that invite His favour into their lives.

THE NATURE OF GOD'S FAVOUR

God's favour is seen throughout Scripture as a distinguishing factor in the lives of those He calls and sets apart for **divine purposes**.

- 1 Samuel 2:26 "And the child Samuel grew in stature, and in favour both with the Lord and men."
- **Luke 1:28** "And having come in, the angel said to her, 'Rejoice, highly favoured one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!"

Both **Samuel and Mary** are examples of individuals who walked in **divine favour**. Their lives were marked by **God's presence**, **divine assignments**, **and supernatural enablement**.

HOW TO OBTAIN THE FAVOUR OF GOD

1. Walking in Righteousness and Obedience

Favour follows those who walk in alignment with God's will and commands. Righteousness is conformity to God's moral character—doing what is right and just in God's eyes. It is "cleanness" in God's eyes.

- **Psalm 5:12** "For thou, Lord, wilt bless the righteous; with favour wilt thou compass him as with a shield."
- **Proverbs 3:3-4** "Let not mercy and truth forsake you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart, and so find favour and high esteem in the sight of God and man."
- **Psalm 5:12** "For You, O Lord, will bless the righteous; with favour You will surround him as with a shield."

When people walk in integrity, honesty, and truth, they position themselves in **God's favour**.

2. Humility and a Servant's Heart

God resists the proud but gives grace and favour to the humble.

- James 4:6 "God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble."
- Proverbs 22:4 "By humility and the fear of the Lord are riches, honour, and life."

The lives of **Joseph**, **Daniel**, **and Esther** reveal that favour follows those who serve with **humility and excellence**.

3. Faithfulness

Proverbs 28:20 "A faithful man shall abound with blessings: but he that maketh haste to be rich shall not be innocent."

- 1 Sam 22:14 "Then Ahimelech answered the king, and said, And who is so faithful among all thy servants as David, which is the king's son in law, and goeth at thy bidding, and is honourable in thine house?
- Ps 101:6 "Mine eyes shall be upon the faithful of the land, that they may dwell with me: he that walketh in a perfect way, he shall serve me."

1. Unity

Eph.4:3: "Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace."

- Jesus prayed that we may be one. (John 17:21) "That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me."
- Psalm 133:1-3 "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in Unity It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments; 3 As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there the Lord commanded the blessing, even life for evermore."

The blessing the Lord commands is favour.

5. Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving is a lifestyle, not a ceremony.

Psalm 50:23 declares, "He who sacrifices thank offerings honours me, and he prepares the way so that I may show him the salvation of God."

This verse reveals a profound truth: thanksgiving prepares the atmosphere for the manifestation of God's power and favour. When you cultivate a lifestyle of gratitude:

- You honour God, acknowledging Him as the source of every blessing.
- You position yourself to walk in the Lord's favour because gratitude is the spiritual currency that unlocks the treasury of heaven.

Thanksgiving Aligns You with God's Heart and His Favor

Gratitude transforms your perspective and aligns your heart with God's purposes. It is through thanksgiving that you demonstrate trust in God's ability to sustain and multiply His blessings in your life. When thanksgiving becomes a lifestyle:

- It unlocks divine presence: "Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise" (Psalm 100:4). Thanksgiving is your key to accessing the presence of the King.
- It provokes multiplication: In John 6:11, Jesus gave thanks before breaking the loaves and fish, resulting in supernatural multiplication. Thanksgiving has the power to release increase and overflow in your life.
- It reinforces humility: Gratitude reminds you that every good and perfect gift comes from God (James 1:17), keeping pride and selfsufficiency at bay. God exalts the humble and pours favour upon them.
- It silences the accuser: Thanksgiving defeats the enemy's plans. When you give thanks, you declare that God is greater than your circumstances, frustrating the enemy's strategies against you.

Declaration

- As you embrace thanksgiving as a lifestyle, may the Lord establish you in His unshakable favour.
- May your gratitude prepare you for supernatural breakthroughs, divine provision, and unprecedented opportunities.
- May every chain that seeks to limit you be broken and may doors of abundance and increase swing wide open in response to your thanksgiving.
- As you honour God with your gratitude, may His salvation overflow in every area of your life, filling you with joy, peace, and the fullness of His blessings.

6. Excellence

Proverbs 11:27 "He who earnestly seeks good finds favour, But trouble will come to him who seeks evil."

 Proverbs 22:29 "Do you see a man who excels in his work? He will stand before kings; he will not stand before unknown men."

7. Sacrifice

Hebrews 13:16 "But to do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased."

 Psalm 51:19 "Then shalt thou be pleased with the sacrifices of righteousness, with burnt offering and whole burnt offering: then shall they offer bullocks upon thine altar."

HOW TO WALK IN THE FAVOUR OF GOD

1. Steward the Favour You Receive

- Matthew 25:21 "You have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things."
- Luke 16:10 "He who is faithful in what is least is faithful also in much."

Favour is **not for self-exaltation but for divine purpose**. When stewarded well, it increases and leads to greater influence and impact.

2. Stay in Alignment with Kingdom Assignments

- **Esther 4:14** "Yet who knows whether you have come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"
- **Proverbs 16:7** "When a man's ways please the Lord, He makes even his enemies to be at peace with him."

Favour is given for Kingdom advancement. Those who align themselves with God's purposes experience His unmerited grace in supernatural ways.

CONCLUSION

God's favour is not random or accidental—it is both a sovereign gift and a cultivated reality. It is the tangible expression of His divine goodwill, poured out upon those who walk in righteousness, obedience, and intimacy with Him. Favour is more than open doors and divine opportunities; it is a sacred trust that must be stewarded for His glory.

As **Psalm 5:12** declares, "For You, O Lord, will bless the righteous; with favour You will surround him as with a shield." When we align our lives with God's principles through faith, obedience, and thanksgiving, we position ourselves under the canopy of His unshakable favour.

God's favour is not passive - it is activated through a life yielded to His will and His Word. May your life be marked by the overflow of His blessings, making you a **living testimony of His grace and power**. As you remain faithful, expect God to pour out favour beyond your imagination, positioning you as a light in your generation. **Walk in His favour and watch Him exceed your every expectation!**

Great grace and more blessings,
Amen!!!