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UNDERSTANDING DIVINE FAVOUR



Favour is an act of gracious kindness. It propels its beneficiaries beyond the limitations of human effort. When you operate in divine favour, you accomplish with ease what others toil to accomplish. Divine favour allows you to express your talents and gifts in a way that brings about maximum benefit and satisfaction.

If labour alone could bring success, those who work round the clock should be the most successful in their fields of endeavour. But "unless the LORD builds the house, its builders labour in vain" (Psalms 127:1). So, no matter how learned you are, no matter your status in the upper echelons of society,

no matter how hard you work, you cannot attain God's predestined height for your life without His favour.

Though, according to Proverbs 22:29, there is dignity in labour and honour in diligence; but it is God's favour that opens the door to the desired breakthrough.

I returned, and saw under the sun, that the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding, nor yet favour to men of skill...

Ecclesiastes 9:11

It is not all diligent men, but the favoured ones among them, who will stand before kings. It is not enough to be talented, skilled, or diligent — you need favour to be preferred. Favour takes any hardworking person to greater heights. When you are favoured, doors will open to you in places that seem difficult, on their own accord.



CHARACTERISTICS OF DIVINE FAVOUR



God's favour is not limited by your location. No matter where you are, when God is set to favour you, that favour will still locate you. In 1 Samuel 16, David was in the field when God's favour located him. In Mark 3:1–5, favour located the man with the withered hand in the synagogue. In Mark 5:1–15, favour located the madman of Gadara at the graveyard. In Genesis 18:1–5, Abraham was at home when favour located him. So we see clearly from Scripture that God's favour can locate you irrespective of your location.

God is not a racist, neither is He partial. Your background is not a factor when God is making His choice of whom to favour. Queen Vashti, wife of King Ahasuerus, misbehaved one day and lost her position. After Vashti's exit, a beauty pageant through which the next queen would be chosen was organised. Among the contestants was Esther, a slave girl who had been brought into the kingdom of Media and Persia. At the end of the pageant, God's favour singled her out, and she eventually emerged the winner. So whether you were born into opulence or abject poverty — whether you were born an Abdullahi or a Zachariah — divine favour can still locate you.

Another characteristic of God's favour is that it bypasses protocol to reach its beneficiaries. When God is set to favour you, He will set aside operational laws and policies to do so. According to Esther 4:11, whoever went to the king's inner court uninvited was by law to be

killed, unless the golden sceptre was raised. So when Esther went in uninvited, she was, by all rights, to be put to death. But because God was set to favour her, rather than attracting death, her action attracted her desired result. When Esther reached the king, he voluntarily asked her what she wanted, even before she could make her request.

The characteristic of divine favour I love most is its ability to turn a nobody into a somebody. Divine favour comes with accelerated promotion. You may not appear to be a candidate for promotion; your qualifications and position on the organisational ladder may even fall far short of the requirements — but when God is set to favour you, your seemingly inconsequential abilities will suddenly become the very requirement for the throne.



BIBLE SAINTS WHO ENJOYED DIVINE FAVOUR



DAVID

David was in the bush watching over his father's sheep when favour singled him out for the throne (1 Samuel 16:11–13). After God rejected King Saul and decided to choose a new king for Israel from the family of Jesse, David was not considered by his father as a candidate for such honour. David was so insignificant to Jesse that he was not even invited to the family sacrifice until all of Jesse's other candidates were rejected. When favour located him, David — a forgotten shepherd boy — rose to honour among his brethren and kept rising until he became the forefather of the King of kings (Mark 10:46–52).

JOSEPH

The story of Joseph is also a classic example of the wonders of favour. He was sold into slavery by his own brothers who hated him, but divine favour turned his captivity into dominion. When Joseph arrived in Egypt, Genesis 39:1–6 records that almost immediately after he arrived in Potiphar's house, he began to shine. Potiphar simply handed everything over to this slave boy. Though this may appear extraordinary, behind that act is the propelling force of favour — it causes people to lavish you with honour you did not earn by your own merit. The work of favour climaxed in Joseph's life in Genesis 41:44, when Pharaoh made him Prime Minister in a foreign land.

Other great men and women of God who enjoyed divine favour include Daniel, Abraham, Moses, Ruth, Mary, and Pastor Enoch Adeboye.



CONDITIONS FOR ATTRACTING DIVINE FAVOUR



1. Accept God's invitation to salvation

***Come unto me, all ye that labour and
are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.***

Matthew 11:28

When God is set to favour you, He will beckon you to come and make His kingdom available to you (Esther 5:1–3). When the king saw Esther, he raised his golden sceptre, which symbolised an invitation to draw closer. Esther accepted the king's invitation, and the rest is history. In Exodus 3:1–4, Moses was in the desert tending his father-in-law's flocks as usual when God called him to come closer. He accepted God's invitation, and his life was never the same again. In John 6:44, Jesus said, "No man can come to me, except the

Father which hath sent me draw him." Only those who are favoured of the Lord are drawn to Jesus. So every call to salvation you have been hearing points to one fact — God is set to favour you. Take a bold step today: ask for forgiveness and surrender your life to Him, so you may enjoy the favour we are speaking of.

2. Stay holy

And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth.

Deuteronomy 28:1

Joseph understood the power of purity. In Genesis 39:7–13, when Potiphar's wife attempted to seduce him, he fled. Joseph understood that sin would ultimately rob him of God's favour. The Bible makes it clear in Deuteronomy

28:1–14 that only those who live holy enjoy divine favour — so flee sin. Love God unconditionally, and carry His presence every moment through worship, praise, thanksgiving, ceaseless prayer, and study and meditation on His Word.

3. Fast and pray for it

Go, gather together all the Jews that are present in Shushan, and fast ye for me, and neither eat nor drink three days, night or day: I also and my maidens will fast likewise; and so will I go in unto the king, which is not according to the law...

Esther 4:16

John Wesley once said, "It seems God is limited by our prayer life — that He can do nothing for humanity unless someone asks Him." One reason so many believers remain where they are is their lethargic attitude toward prayer. It is an act of pride to remain silent and expect God to understand your needs and automatically meet

them. If He operated that way, you might one day ascribe the glory of your answered prayers to yourself and forget that there is a God at work making things work for you. God therefore expects you always to acknowledge Him as your only Provider by continually bringing your needs before Him.

Nothing good comes cheaply. Every blessing of God carries a price. From the testimonies of others and from personal experience, I can safely conclude that the degree of God's response to your requests is proportional to the sacrifice you make in seeking Him on that matter, among other factors. When I learned that my father in the Lord, Pastor E. A. Adeboye, fasts regularly and prays every night while trekking, I attempted to do the same. When God saw my sincerity, He released grace for the exercise, and the rest is history.

4. Prioritize God's kingdom

But seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you.

Matthew 6:33

Your practical involvement with God in His pursuit to reap the overripe harvest of souls guarantees His divine favour (John 15:1–7; Matthew 28:19–20). Sacrificial giving toward God's kingdom also triggers divine favour. In 2 Chronicles 1:6–7, Solomon offered a thousand burnt offerings, and God gave him a blank cheque — a sign of overflowing favour.

5. Be Diligent

Seest thou a man diligent in his business? He shall stand before kings; he shall not stand before mean men.

Proverbs 22:29

Divine favour is not for loafers. Your attitude to work will also determine whether God singles you out for favour or not. If you are a lethargic individual who always murmurs when tasked beyond your comfort zone, you are not likely to be favoured by God. Favour comes with greater responsibilities. If you cannot handle the challenges of your present status, how will you handle the throne? So be diligent, and persistently remain faithful.

Also remember that it is not all diligent people who attract God's favour. You may be diligently serving Mammon by living only to acquire wealth. This does not attract God's favour. When you make God the nucleus of your pursuits in your workplace, and when the expansion of God's kingdom is the reason for your labour, you attract His favour.

6. Favour others

Blessed are the merciful; for they shall obtain mercy.

Matthew 5:7

The level of favour you attract is a function of the degree to which you favour others. The law of seedtime and harvest also governs the subject of favour. You must be a person of favour to walk in favour. In Esther 2:21–22, Mordecai discovered a plot to kill King Ahasuerus and reported it, thereby sparing the king's life. A time came when Mordecai himself was to be killed, but his earlier seed of favour would not allow it (Esther 6:1–3).

A man's gift maketh room for him and bringeth him before great men.

Proverbs 18:16

Giving in the right direction opens you to favour. Give to God's servants (1 Kings 17:10–24 and 2 Kings 4:1–37), give to the poor (Proverbs 19:17), and give to your parents (Ephesians 6:2–3).

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