Living in the F.O.G.



Learn how to activate

GOD'S FAVOR

in your life!

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"And of His fullness we have all received, and grace (favor) for grace(favor)."

John 1:16

Introduction

re you living in the FOG? I'm not talking about the early morning fog that covers the ground or brain fog that reduces your ability to focus. Fog like that can cause all kinds of problems.

\triangleright I am talking about the \underline{F} AVOR \underline{O} f \underline{G} od.

This kind of F.O.G. doesn't cause problems, it helps solve problems. It brings great benefits and blessing into your life.

The biblical definition of "favor" is - friendly disposition from which kind acts proceed; to assist; to provide with special advantages; to receive preferential treatment.

"Favor" is special affection of God toward us that releases an influence on us so that others are inclined to like what we do and/or to cooperate with us. It means to receive "preferential treatment.

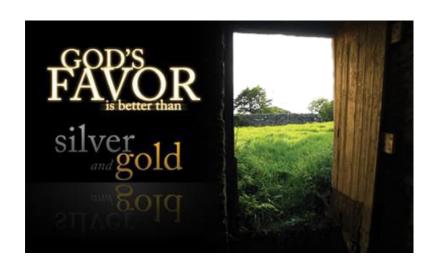
God's heart toward you and me – His children – is to bless us, help us, promote us, and treat us special – to favor us.

God's favor in our lives is the power needed to breakthrough and overcome any barrier in life. Another word for favor is grace. God's grace is always sufficient for and in every circumstance of life.

Are you increasing in favor, or are you decreasing? Are you living in the FOG? The revelation of Living in the F.O.G. will help you to increase in His favor. Once you know how

to activate God's favor in your life through His Word, you will find yourself starving your fear and feeding your faith.

Fasten your seat belt. You are about to begin a powerful ride that will change your life forever. May the favor of God increase in your life as you meditate upon God's promises and principles presented in this mini book.



"A good man obtains favor from the LORD,

But a man of wicked intentions

He will condemn."

Proverbs 12:2

Chapter 1

The Biblical Foundation for God's Divine Favor

- It's a Blessing from God
- It's For a Lifetime
- It's With God and Man
- It's able to Grow.

et's look at a few scripture verses to begin with that deal with the promise of God's favor in your life.

First, Psalm 5:12 - "For You, O Lord, will bless the righteous; with favor You will surround him as with a shield."

Notice, who is doing the blessing here? "You, O Lord, will bless the righteous. . .." The person doing the blessing is the Lord. Who is He blessing? The righteous. Who are the righteous? Point to yourself: That's me! The righteous are those who are born again as confirmed in Second Corinthians 5:21: "For He [God] made Him [Jesus, His Son] who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him [Christ Jesus]."

So, the Lord God Almighty is the One who is blessing you and me. What is He blessing us with? Favor.

God is going to rock your world with a revelation that is so important and magnificent of what He has already done for you.

Psalm 30:5 says, "For His anger is but for a moment. . . . "

Wow! Think about that. God gets angry, so anger must not be bad. Anger can be healthy, and it can be righteous. Sometimes when we think about anger, it gets a bad rap. Anger is a natural emotion. It is how you respond to that anger that is important.

What happens with most people is they don't respond to anger properly. It turns into rage. It turns into something that is sinful and wrong, so the way we ought to handle it is the way

God handles it. God was angry for a moment. So, if you get angry, just let it be for a moment.

Let's look at the rest of Psalm 30:5: "His favor is for life. . .." In Psalm 5:12 we saw that God blesses us with favor. Then, in this scripture, we find that His favor lasts for a lifetime.

Proverbs 3, verse 4 says, "And so find favor and high esteem in the sight of God and man." We can have favor with God and with man.

Let's go to another verse. "And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men" (Luke 2:52).

Jesus increased [or grew] in three different areas. He grew in wisdom. Wisdom is the ability to apply knowledge and understanding. This is huge, because we can tap into this same wisdom. I'm not going to talk about wisdom right now, but the principles I will share about favor could go along with wisdom.

A lot of people have knowledge and understanding, but they have no wisdom. Wisdom is the ability to take what you know and apply it in your life.

Jesus grew in wisdom and in stature. That means He grew in His impact and influence. You and I can grow in impact and influence too. In fact, God wants us to be a brighter light. He wants our stature to increase in this world. Just as Jesus grew in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and men, He wants you and me to grow in wisdom, stature, and favor as well.



It is time to learn how to activate God's Favor in your life!

Chapter 2

Activating God's Favor 5 of 6 Keys

- 1. Realize
- 2. Comprehend
- 3. Appreciate
- 4. Give Favor
- 5. Confess God's Favor

want to talk about growing in favor, releasing the favor of God in your life, and tapping into all the blessings God has for you. God has blessed you with favor, and I want to share with you some things that can help release – activate His divine favor to a greater degree in your life.

If Jesus grew in favor, don't you think we ought to grow in favor? If the King of kings, the Lord of lords, the Son of God increased in favor, then I believe we should as well.

First, we laid a foundation from God's Word on the provision of favor in your life. We looked at several verses about God's favor, we have established that we, as a redeemed person and a follower of Christ, are blessed with God's favor, and that favor is for a lifetime. We have favor with God and with man for life! Is that not awesome?

Now, you need to activate that favor in your life. It is like when you get a credit card. You have the credit card, it has your name on it, it is yours, but it will not work until you "activate" it. You have to call a number and answer a few questions and when you do it is activated. You have the favor of God, but it needs to be activated.

I going to share six keys that will activate Gods favor and help you grow in God's favor. We find three of them in First Corinthians, chapter 2, verses 9-12 AMP:

Verse 9 -

But, on the contrary, as the Scripture says, What eye has not seen and ear has not heard and has not entered into the heart of man, [all that]

Paul is quoting an Old Testament verse out of Isaiah, and what he says is that the unredeemed person cannot comprehend the things that God has prepared for them. He says, "Eye has not seen, and ear has not heard."

Many people quote this verse, and they stop there. They have the mind-set that "you just never know what God is going to do. We don't know what God has for us,". This is because they are in the Old Covenant.

Paul is setting us up to what he wants to reveal to us by quoting that verse. He goes on now to verse 10. It says:

Verse 10 -

"Yet to us God has unveiled and revealed them by and through His Spirit, for the [Holy] Spirit searches diligently, exploring and examining everything, even sounding the profound and bottomless things of God [the [f] divine counsels and things hidden and beyond man's scrutiny]."

"Yet to us..." Who is "us"? Believers, the redeemed, the saved, the righteous. To us it is revealed - all those things that the eye and ear could not see or hear.

So, you and I by the Holy Spirit can know these hidden things, these mysteries, these things that are bottomless, the things that are so deep and profound, the things that in the natural you couldn't even begin to understand. How do we understand them? It is by the Holy Spirit.

Verse 11 -

"For what person perceives (knows and understands) what passes through a man's thoughts except the man's own spirit within him? Just so no one discerns

(comes to know and comprehend) the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God.

So, our ability to grasp, discern, and understand the mysteries, the hidden things, and the incredible blessing that God has for us is by the Holy Spirit. You are not going to be able to figure this out in your own ability. It is not something you can reason out.

Verse 12 –

"Now we have not received the spirit [that belongs to] the world, but the [Holy] Spirit Who is from God, [given to us] that we might realize *and* comprehend *and* appreciate the gifts [of divine favor and blessing so freely and lavishly] bestowed on us by God."

There are three keys right here for growing - activating God's favor:

Realize - Comprehend, - Appreciate

If you are going to grow in God's favor and if you are going to put God's favor into practice in your life, you have to realize, comprehend, and appreciate the gift of God's divine favor. Let's look at each one of them.

1. REALIZE the Gift of Divine Favor is for you.



What does it mean to <u>realize</u>? It means you have to know (realize) that God's favor is for you. Often, we think favor is for someone else. We think if for

someone special or chosen.

When you went to school, there probably was someone in your class whom the teacher seemed to like more than anyone else. It might have been you. This person was called "teacher's pet," because the teacher seemed to favor that student.

My daughter is a teacher. We have great teachers, and I know most teachers are fair and they treat everyone equally. I know the classes I was in, at times I thought the teacher liked someone else better than me. The teacher always seemed to show favor toward a particular student.

To this day, my mom always gives me favor. I am my mom's favorite! If you don't realize what favor is and that you qualify for it, you will not be able to access it like you need to, you are not going to see the fruit of it in your life, and you are not going to grow in it.

It is no secret that I am my mom's favorite. I have two younger sisters and they know I am Mom's favorite. My wife knows I am my mom's favorite. My mom knows I am her favorite. She lives in Nebraska, so when we go to see her, she gets things ready for me, because I am her favorite.

As I was growing up, she made the best homemade cinnamon rolls. She would knead that dough and let it rise. Then, she would put it in a pan, and it would rise. She would put the right amount of cinnamon and topping on it.

Why did I know I was her favorite? I like the center rolls, so my mom always made sure I got the center ones. Preferential treatment! Even when I go home to visit her now, she makes homemade cinnamon rolls, and no one touches

the center cinnamon rolls. They are reserved for me, because I am her favorite!

I love watermelon. Where I grew up in Nebraska, there was an area that was known for incredible watermelons. By Enid, Oklahoma, I know they have great watermelon patches too, but in Nebraska, there was just the right sandy soil. I mean, juicy, super sweet watermelon in the middle of the hot summer. The best part of the watermelon, like the cinnamon rolls, is the center.

The worst part about the watermelon is the seeds. My mom would always give me the center part of the watermelon and take all the seeds out. Why? I am just her favorite!

I am just talking about my mom and about the teacher's pet as illustrations to help us get a better picture of "favor". The truth is, God wants to bless you with even greater favor and preferential treatment, but you have to realize, God's favor is for you – He is not a respecter of persons.

God has already blessed you and me with His favor. But if we are going to grow in His favor, we have to "<u>realize</u>" it. You need to say out loud to yourself, "Hey, I have the favor of God—this preferential treatment that God has towards me." Why? Because I am His child, just like I am my mom's child, and she gives me preferential treatment. The Father in heaven is giving you and me preferential treatment as well.

Blessing and favor are synonymous. The blessing and the favor of God are being released in your life but watch this. There is an enemy who is working overtime trying to restrict and hinder you from accessing that favor. To be frank, he has done a pretty good job of deceiving and lying to many in

the Body of Christ to try to keep us from tapping into, growing in, and increasing in the favor that God has for us.

Here the Word of the Lord and grasp this revelation and it will take away the hindrances that are holding you back from stepping in and growing in the divine favor that God has for you.

Get ready! God's divine favor is coming your way. We are not going to allow the enemy to keep it from us any longer.

I have a test for you. Here it is –

I want you to write down the names of five people you think deserve to receive the favor of God. Go ahead write them down.

5 PEOPLE YOU THINK DESERVE GODS FAVOR

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LOOK AT THE NEXT PAGE FOR THE ANSWER.

Who is on your list? Did you include your name? I have asked students and congregations members this question and most people do not include their name. When I ask why their name is not on the list here are the answers –

- I don't think I deserve God's Favor.
- I don't feel worthy to receive favor.
- I have disqualified myself because of things I have done or the way I have lived.

Is this what you thought? Why?

Think about it. Is there anyone who really deserves God's favor? Is there anything you can do to earn God's favor? No! The only way you qualify for the favor of God is by being born again, becoming the redeemed, the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus. Only then can you receive the favor of God in your

life.

The first key to walking in, growing in, ACTIVATING God's favor into in your life is - **you have to realize it is for you**. God's favor is for you if you are saved, redeemed, and a follower of Christ. He has blessed you with that favor with Himself and with man for a lifetime. Realize it and claim it.

2. **COMPREHEND** what the Gift of Divine Favor is.



The second key of activating God's favor is you must **COM-PREHEND** that favor. Comprehend what that favor will do for you and comprehend the value of

that favor. Comprehend means to grasp and understand.

Proverbs, chapter 22, verse 1 says, "A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, Loving favor rather than silver and gold.

Your character is important, and your lifestyle is important. They are to be desired more than riches. A good name will get you further than money could ever get you. But he goes on to say,

Favor is more valuable than silver and gold. For you to pursue favor, you must comprehend how incredibly valuable it is. If you don't understand the value of something, you will never pursue it. Favor is a free gift from God that He gives to us, but you have to pursue it.

When I was two years old, I didn't see the value in my wife. I didn't even know here. I met her in the sixth grade, but still

didn't know how valuable she was. Then high school came, and I REALIZED she was for me. I got revelation of just how valuable she was. We became high school sweethearts, and now we have been married for over forty years. I pursued her and I am still pursuing her. I know what a good thing is. When you know the value of something, you will go after it. I am talking about growing in favor – increasing divine favor in your life and activating that favor in your life.

You have to <u>realize</u> that you qualify for God's divine favor.

Then, you have to **comprehend** the value of it – what it will do for you – because when you see that it is more valuable than silver or gold, then you will do whatever it takes to pursue it.

There are things favor can do for you that no amount of money can. That is why it is more valuable than silver or gold. It has been said that one moment of God's favor is worth more than a thousand hours of labor. What does that mean? It means in one moment of God's favor, He can do something in your life that it might take you a year, ten years, or fifteen years to do. In just one fleeting moment of God's favor in your life, He can unravel, construct, and do things that might take you years to do.

God's favor is so valuable. When you understand the value of it, you will pursue it. When you comprehend it, you will go after it?

3. APPRECIATE God's Favor



The third key to activating God's Favor is to appreciate God's favor. When God blesses you, make sure you give Him the credit for it and thank Him for it. Don't be like Uz-

ziah who started thinking he had more to do with all the results of the favor he was getting than he had. (2Chronicles 26)

That is a problem with many people in the church today. They begin to think it is because of their own efforts that accomplishments are made. We need to appreciate what God does for us.

I am so grateful for God's favor. I don't deserve it. I haven't earned it. I am so grateful for my mom's favor in my life. When you get that preferential treatment, immediately you need to give God praise for it. When you begin to appreciate it and give thanks for it, He is going to be that much more in a hurry to get more favor coming your way!

Not only appreciate God's favor when you receive it but be grateful for other people who receive His favor as well.

God's favor can happen in a lot of ways. It is like when you go to Disney World, and you stand in those long lines. Usually, your wait can be up to an hour to get in.

What if someone came along and said, "I want to take you to the front of the line"? That's favor!

If you are standing in that line and someone gets favor, are you the one who is asking, "What is going on? I have been here longer than they have"? OR are you the one who says, I am grateful for the favor on that person.

What would happen if you started being thankful for the favor that other people get? I think suddenly you would start seeing more favor in your own life.

I rejoice when I see favor on anyone's life. I was listening to Pastor Paul (at Victory Christian Center in Tulsa) tell his testimony about the challenges he had in getting into Mexico on a mission trip. As he told the story, I began to rejoice in the supernatural favor that he experienced. He had to pursue and push through, but every time he did, God's favor showed up! Most everyone else would have quit and given up, but he kept on pursuing and pushing through.

We need to appreciate God's favor. If you want to increase in God's favor and see favor activated in your life, then you have to realize it, comprehend it, and appreciate it.

Here are two more keys that unlock and activate God's favor in your life.

4. Be Favorable Toward Others

The fourth thing you can do to activate favor is to be <u>favorable toward others</u>. In other words, sow favor. You will reap what you sow. Psalm 112, verse 5 KJV says, "A good man shows favor, and lends: he will guide his affairs with discretion."

If you want to see more favor in your life, start giving favor to others. There are many different places and ways you can sow favor into others.

How about when you go to the checkout line and the clerk isn't handling things the way they ought to be handled? He or she is not as fast and efficient as you think they should be. Do you get impatient or upset? Or do you show favor towards that clerk?

When you go out to eat, do you show favor toward the waiter or waitress? Are you demanding? Do you want things to happen differently? Or are you the one who wants to release favor into this person's life? What you sow is what you will reap.

Do you want an increase in favor? You have the capacity to sow favor into people's lives no matter where you are. In the area of influence that you have, begin to sow favor. Begin to be favorable towards others.



5. Confess God's Favor

The fifth thing you can do to activate God's favor is begin to confess God's favor. You will possess what you confess. Begin to declare:

- Thank You, Jesus, that I have favor with You and with man.
- You surround me with favor.
- Every place I go, You go before me with favor. Thank You, Lord!

Instead of being critical, negative, and upset, speak God's Word. This is part of living by faith rather than living by sight. Begin to speak God's favor into each situation:

- ➤ Lord, I thank You that I am surrounded with favor.
- Your favor is like a shield about me!

If you want to see favor activated in your life and you want to see even more favor, then begin to confess favor. Don't become critical and negative instead begin to declare God's favor.

Open the floodgates of heaven..."



Chapter 3

Greatest Key to God's Favor

The 6th Key to Activating God's Favor

he sixth and perhaps the greatest key to activating the Favor of God in your life is to enlarge your connection to the Source. Proverbs 8:35 says, "For whoever finds me finds life, and obtains favor from the Lord."

The Source of favor is the Lord. If you want to increase the favor flowing into your life, then increase your connection to the Source. What do I mean by that? Increase your relationship with the Lord.

When you think about anything that you receive, there is a source. For example, for you to have access to the Internet, you have to be connected to the Internet. What you get out of the Internet will be determined by your connection to it.

Would you like to have a bigger connection to the Internet, particularly if you are working with video? As a church, we have had to continually increase our capacity. We have had to outsource so we can enlarge our connection, so we can get more information out and receive more information in.

When I was growing up, we used to irrigate our land with water that came from a dam. That dam came down through canals and the canals came where our property was.

There was a gate you opened up to let the water in, and then you put the water in some tubes down the rows of corn. How much they opened up the gate determined how much water got to our land. The more water you wanted, the more the gate had to be opened, and the greater the connection had to be.

If you want more favor, you have to increase and enlarge your connection. Peter put it this way: You grow in favor through the knowledge of Jesus Christ. Jesus is the Source of our favor. If you want to see greater favor in your life, if you want to grow in it, you must grow in your connection with Him. I want to know Him more.

As your relationship with the Lord grows, your connection will begin to enlarge, and you will have the capacity to receive more of God's favor into your life. He is not holding back favor. There is a reservoir of favor that He is trying to get to you. However, it can only come through the connection that you have with Him. You can enlarge that connection by continuing to develop your relationship with Him through worship, prayer, the Word of God, spending time with Him, and just declaring His goodness in your life. When you do these things, the connection will begin to enlarge, and the flow of God's favor will come into your life.

I guarantee you, there will be a multiplied return on your investment in that relationship. As I pursued my wife, I invested in my relationship with her. I saw the value of her. I pursued her, and as I developed that relationship, the connection and the return that I received back from her just blew me away.

Think about the Lord. He is waiting to blow you away with His favor, and I mean that in a positive way. Your part is to:

- Grow in the knowledge of Him.
- Live for Him.
- Commit to Him.
- Be obedient to Him.
- Let Him work in your life.

He is the potter. We are the clay. He is working in us to will and to do His good pleasure. I'm telling you, when you make that investment, you will receive the greatest return. God can give you favor in every arena of your life. Businessmen, He can give you favor with suppliers. He can give you favor with clients. He can give you favor with your employees.

If you are struggling in your marriage, God can give you favor in that relationship. He can give you favor with your children. He can give you favor on your job. He can give you preferential treatment in any situation. Even if you don't have the best qualifications for a certain position, God's favor can pull your application to the top of the stack of applications.

How are you going to tap into that favor? By trusting in the Lord; growing in the knowledge of Him and expecting His favor.

I expect God's favor to flow in my life. Why? Because He is my Father. He is my Savior. Just like I am expecting homemade cinnamon rolls and fried chicken when I go to visit my mom. I know she won't let me down.

Yet I know that my God is more faithful than my mom, and I expect His favor to flow my way. He wants to open up the windows of heaven and pour His favor upon you and me.



It is the time for God's Favor "You will arise and have mercy on Zion.

For the time to favor her, yes, the set time, has come."

Psalms 102:13

Chapter 4

Ten Benefits to Possessing God's Favor

here are many examples in the Bible of things that God's favor can do in people's lives. Here are ten benefits of possessing God's favor in your life:

1. Favor can produce supernatural increase and promotion.

In Genesis 39:21, Joseph was granted favor with the prison warden, and he, as a prisoner himself, was given charge over all of the prisoners.

"But the Lord was with Joseph and showed him mercy, and He gave him favor in the sight of the keeper of the prison."

If you are looking for promotion, God's favor can bring it into your life.

2. Favor can produce restoration of everything that the enemy has stolen from you.

In Exodus 3:20-22, God gave favor to the Israelites as they left Egypt. They left Egypt with riches, everything they had lost, and everything they had worked for.

"So, I will stretch out My hand and strike Egypt with all My wonders which I will do in its midst; and after that he will let you go.

"And I will give this people favor in the sight of the Egyptians; and it shall be, when you go, that you shall not go empty-handed.

"But every woman shall ask of her neighbor, namely, of her who dwells near her house, articles

of silver, articles of gold, and clothing; and you shall put them on your sons and on your daughters. So, you shall plunder the Egyptians."

If you need restoration in any area of your life, God by His incredibly powerful favor, will restore.

3. Favor can produce honor in the midst of your adversaries.

Exodus, chapter 11, verse 3 says, "And the Lord gave the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians. Moreover, the man Moses was very great in the land of Egypt, in the sight of Pharaoh's servants and in the sight of the people."

If you are stuck in some place and it seems like something is holding you back, God can deliver you by His favor.

4. Favor produces increase and assets, especially in the area of real estate.

The Lord your God will make you abound in all the work of your hand, in the fruit of your body, in the increase of your livestock, and in the produce of your land for good. For the Lord will again rejoice over you for good as He rejoiced over your fathers.

Deuteronomy 30:9

5. Favor produces great victories in the midst of great impossibilities.

Joshua 11:20 says:

"For it was of the Lord to harden their hearts, that they should come against Israel in battle, that He might utterly destroy them, and that they might receive no mercy, but that He might destroy them, as the Lord had commanded Moses."

I'm telling you, even if you are in a battle that looks like there is no way out, God's favor can bring victory.

6. Favor produces recognition, even when you seem the least likely to receive it.

In First Samuel 16:22, we see that God's favor was on David's life.

"Then Saul sent to Jesse, saying, "Please let David stand before me, for he has found favor in my sight."

If you are going to grow in favor, you have to comprehend the power of it.

7. Favor can produce prominence and preferential treatment.

Esther found favor with the king.

"The king loved Esther more than all the other women, and she obtained grace and favor in his sight more than all the virgins; so, he set the royal crown upon her head and made her queen instead of Vashti." Esther 2:17

Think about it! Esther was picked over all the other women, because there was favor on her life. She received preferential treatment from the king because of favor.

8. Favor can produce petitions granted, even by ungodly civil authorities.

"If I have found favor in the sight of the king, and if it pleases the king to grant my petition and fulfil my request, then let the king and Haman come to the banquet which I will prepare for them, and tomorrow I will do as the king has said."

Esther 5:8

Even when you have to deal with entities that are ungodly or not in the realm you normally deal with, God's favor can bring victory in those areas.

9. Favor causes policies, rules, regulations, and laws to be changed for your benefit.

God can reverse any situation when you are walking in His favor. The apostle Paul experienced this kind of favor even when in prison.

Paul said, "You share with me the special favor of God..." (Philippians 1:7 NLT).

10. Favor produces victory in the midst of battles that you don't even have to fight.

When you are facing a battle, God can bring victory without you even having to raise a hand. You can find an example of that in Psalm 44, verse 3:

"For they did not gain possession of the land by their own sword, nor did their own arm save them; but it was Your right hand, Your arm, and the light of Your countenance, because You favored them."

God's favor can open doors for you, bring breakthrough, deliverance, and restoration in your life. His favor is more valuable than silver and gold.

You need to do all that you can do, but I'm telling you, God's favor can trump all of that. In the most desperate and trying times, God's favor can bring increase, blessing, and turnaround in your life.



"For everyone to whom much is given, from him much will be required; and to whom much has been committed, of him they will ask the more." Luke 12:48

LIST SOME SITUATIONS WHERE YOU HAVE SEEN THE FAVOR OF GOD IN YOUR LIFE -

Chapter 5

With Favor Comes Responsibility

od blesses you and gives you favor, but He expects you to be responsible with it. He gives you favor for a purpose. While God's favor will bring blessings, breakthroughs, and turnarounds into your life, that is not the main purpose of His favor. He wants to give you favor so that you can be a bigger blessing in the world today.

He wants the Church - you and me - to arise in this hour to be the light and to be salt. He is waiting to download favor in your life and mine so that we can be lights beaming in darkness. That is our responsibility.

Get ready for favor to come into your life but get ready to be responsible with that favor. Get ready to use that favor, not just on yourself, but to be a greater blessing.

God wants to give you favor in your life. He wants to bless you in areas that you didn't think were possible. He wants to deliver you out of situations, just like He did the Israelites. He gave them favor and brought them out of bondage.

Joseph is the greatest example of favor we have ever seen. God gave Joseph favor to bring him out of a pit, to bring him out of a prison, and to put him into a palace. The reason God gave Joseph favor was so in the end he could be a blessing to his family (and others) and deliver them and bring them into the place God had for them.

God wants to deliver you out of the pit. He wants to deliver you out of the prison you may be in, and He wants to bring you into the palace so that you can be a greater blessing. You may be one of those people entangled in a legal battle with some agency or some governmental authority, and you are doing everything you think you can do in your own power and might. God's favor can turn it around. As I said earlier, one moment of God's favor is worth more than a thousand years of labor.

You can grow in God's favor that is released upon your life. It is like a piano. I can play the piano, but barely. I have one and I love playing it when no one else is around. But I could get a whole lot better at playing the piano if I took time to practice.

You can have a computer given to you. You can use it, but you can grow in your ability to use it efficiently.

There is much more that God's favor can do in your life. You can't earn it, you don't deserve it, but you definitely can increase your relationship with Him and open up that connection to where all of a sudden, there is a flow, rather than a drip, of God's favor in your life.

It's time to fully activate the divine favor of God in your life and every situation and need! Go for it...

RECEIVE THE GIFT OF SALVATION

od gives favor to His children. Until you are a child of God you can't experience the fulness of God's favor. The way you become a child of God is to receive Jesus into your life. It is the most important decision you can make in life.

If you have never received Jesus as your Lord and Savior, now is the time. If you are not sure you would go to heaven if you died, now is the time to know for sure.

To receive the gift of salvation you need to believe in your hear that Jesus is the Son of God, that He died on the cross for you sins, was buried, and on the third arose from the dead and declare with your mouth that you believe this. "For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." Romans 10:10

God accepts you just the way you are. There is nothing you can do to earn or deserve being part of the family of God. It is a gift. However, you must receive that gift. If you are ready to enter into the family of God and experience the favor of God in your life you can pray the prayer on the next page and mean it in your heart to receive the gift of eternal life and become a child of God.

Prayer

Father, I now understand that to receive Your favor, I must be born again and become part of Your family. I want to be part of Your family, not just to gain Your favor, but I want to know You, Lord.

Therefore, I acknowledge Jesus as Your Son, and I believe He was crucified, buried, resurrected, and then ascended to Your right hand to provide a way for me to be born again.

I renounce every work of darkness, I surrender to You, Jesus, and I ask You now to become my personal Savior and Lord.

Thank You, Lord Jesus, for empowering me with Your Holy Spirit to become a strong witness of You in my area of influence. Thank You for favor in every area of my life so Your life –will be demonstrated through me on a consistent basis.

Thank You, Jesus, that today I have new life in You!

Your Signature		
Date		

If you just prayed that prayer I want to give you the book, "What's Next". It will help you to know what to do next. Go to my website http://www.breakthrough-foryou.com for the free download to this book. It is located under the "FREE E BOOKS" tab on the main menu. Be blessed!

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The favor of God, will change your life!

Inside this book you will discover -

- What the favor of God is
- > How to activate that favor in your life
- > 10 benefits of favor
- > and much more



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