

Walking in Divine Favor of God -2

“ The Direction of Divine Favor”

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1. Medical Direction

- -If you are sick and you are considered incurable and you find favor with God, you will suddenly discover that the incurable will begin to be curable.
- -In John 5:2-9 there was a multitude by the pool of Bethesda. Jesus came there, saw a man who had been there for 38 years.
- His face shone on that man. He went to that man, He healed that man and left the place.
- There were several others. Divine Favor singled out that man for a miracle.

-When you read the story of 2 Kings 5:1-14.

- -It tells us the story of Naamaan – how he was healed of leprosy.
- Jesus said something in Luke 4:26-28,
- 26Yet Elijah was not sent to any of them, but to the widow of Zarephath in Sidon. 27And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of Elisha the prophet. Yet not one of them was cleansed— only Naaman the Syrian.” 28On hearing this, all the people in the synagogue were enraged....
- How many? One! Out of the many, one found favor.

2. Material Direction

- -When you find favor with God, suddenly, whatever you touch begins to prosper and people will begin to wonder how?
- -Divine Favor can give you just one contract and all of a sudden for the rest of your life you can enjoy prosperity.

Luke 5:1-7 New King James Version (NKJV)

- 5 So it was, as the multitude pressed about Him to hear the word of God, that He stood by the Lake of Gennesaret,
- 2 and saw two boats standing by the lake; but the fishermen had gone from them and were washing their nets.
- 3 Then He got into one of the boats, which was Simon's, and asked him to put out a little from the land. And He sat down and taught the multitudes from the boat.
- 4 When He had stopped speaking, He said to Simon, "Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch."
- 5 But Simon answered and said to Him, "Master, we have toiled all night and caught nothing; nevertheless at Your word I will let down the net."
- 6 And when they had done this, they caught a great number of fish, and their net was breaking.
- 7 So they signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink.

Luke 5:1-7

- - Luke 5:1-7 Jesus was preaching by the seaside. He saw two boats. One belonged to Simon.(He was not yet known as Peter or Petros)
- One boat belonged to somebody else and by favor of God it was Peter's boat that was chosen.
- When God decides to favor you, you cannot escape prosperity whether you like it or not.
- *If He says, 'I'm going to prosper you!' Prosperity will come!*

3. Marital Direction

- -If you have been considered barren and God decides to favor you, suddenly those who have been laughing against you will begin to laugh with you. 1 Samuel 1:9-20
- -Now when you read Proverbs 18:22, the Bible says whoso findeth a wife, findeth a good thing and obtains favor of God. If you have no husband you'll get a husband. (Amen!) If you have no wife you'll get a wife. If you are barren, you'll have children. (Amen!)

1 Samuel 1:9-20 King James Version (KJV)

- 9 So Hannah rose up after they had eaten in Shiloh, and after they had drunk. Now Eli the priest sat upon a seat by a post of the temple of the Lord.
- 10 And she was in bitterness of soul, and prayed unto the Lord, and wept sore.
- 11 And she vowed a vow, and said, O Lord of hosts, if thou wilt indeed look on the affliction of thine handmaid, and remember me, and not forget thine handmaid, but wilt give unto thine handmaid a man child, then I will give him unto the Lord all the days of his life, and there shall no razor come upon his head.

1 Samuel 1:9-20 King James Version (KJV)

- ¹² And it came to pass, as she continued praying before the LORD, that Eli marked her mouth.
- ¹³ Now Hannah, she spake in her heart; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard: therefore Eli thought she had been drunken.
- ¹⁴ And Eli said unto her, How long wilt thou be drunken? put away thy wine from thee.
- ¹⁵ And Hannah answered and said, No, my lord, I am a woman of a sorrowful spirit: I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but have poured out my soul before the LORD.

1 Samuel 1:9-20 King James Version (KJV)

- 16 Count not thine handmaid for a daughter of Belial: for out of the abundance of my complaint and grief have I spoken hitherto.
- 17 Then Eli answered and said, Go in peace: and the God of Israel grant thee thy petition that thou hast asked of him.
- 18 And she said, Let thine handmaid find grace in thy sight. So the woman went her way, and did eat, and her countenance was no more sad.

1 Samuel 1:9-20 King James Version (KJV)

- 19 And they rose up in the morning early, and worshipped before the Lord, and returned, and came to their house to Ramah: and Elkanah knew Hannah his wife; and the Lord remembered her.
- 20 Wherefore it came to pass, when the time was come about after Hannah had conceived, that she bare a son, and called his name Samuel, saying, **Because I have asked him of the Lord.**

4. Mental Direction

- -When God decides to favor you mentally suddenly you begin to have wisdom that you never can explain.
- - You know Daniel 2:20-22 tells us that wisdom belongs to God and He gives wisdom to the wise. If anybody lacks wisdom God said you should just ask God. That's in James 1:3.
- -You will find that when God decides to favor somebody mentally, he has a wisdom he himself cannot explain.

5. Ministerial Direction

- -Everyone who is born again, baptized in the Holy Spirit, is a minister of God – **all you are waiting for is favor from God.**
- -When a minister finds favor with God, it becomes easy for him to do the work of God. **He will preach a simple sermon and souls will be saved.**
- -When you find favor with God – **any door you knock will open.**

6. Many-fold Direction.

- -Many-fold direction favor is all round favor – when we study about the man called Joseph. He had all round favor.
- -He was never sick till he died, he had medical favor.
- - What about materially? If you read Genesis 45:4-13 Joseph said, "God has made me Lord of all Egypt." and he sent to his father and he said, "Come with all your family. I will feed you for the rest of your life."

6. Many-fold Direction.

- **-What about mental favor?** If we read Genesis 41:39 Joseph was referred to here by Pharaoh and Pharaoh said, "There is none as wise as thou art..... There is none as wise as thou art..." because Joseph found favor with God he has a mental capacity that is frightening...
- **-What about marital?** If you read Genesis 48:8-20 you will discover that in the home of Joseph there was peace, there was harmony.

6. Many-fold Direction.

- - **He had 2 sons** – everything anybody could want in a home was there – **he didn't even have to look for a wife – one was given him!** **He had favor!**
- - **What about materially?** As far as Joseph was concerned – **everything he touched prospered.** Genesis 39:21-23. **Everything Joseph touched prospered, even in prison.** When they took him to prison, very soon he became the man in charge.

Next Week:

- **Destruction of Divine Favor**