

Study Guide Notes

Message: *Favor Is Priceless, So Use It Wisely*

Teacher: Pastor Carolyn Ramsey

Date: July 6, 2025



Text: Psalms 5:12 (NIV) “Surely, Lord, you bless the righteous; you surround them with your favor as with a shield.”

GRACE (Definition): Is the foundation of our Christian faith which offers hope, forgiveness, and a transformed life through the unmerited favor of God.

Ephesians 2: 8-9 “For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God. Not by works, so that no one can boast.”

FAVOR (Definition): Is the unearned tangible and intangible kindness, protection and provision of God freely given to those who trust Him.

Favor is one of the ways the Lord expresses His love for us. TRUST and OBEDIENCE is the love language the Lord. (References: John 14:15, Matthew 22:36-40)

Hebrews 12:14 “Make every effort to live in peace with everyone and to be holy: without holiness no one will see the Lord”

Benefits of the Favor of God

A. CONSISTENT - God is ALWAYS with us and God is ALWAYS for us.
(Psalms 30:5, Hebrews 13:8)

B. COURAGE - God's favor gives us the ability to face difficult times, to take a stand for righteousness even when being challenged by unbelievers. (Luke 1:28-30, Joshua 1:7-8)

C. COVERS our flaws and frailty (II Corinthians 12:9 "He said to me, my grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.")

D. CONFRONTS our frustrations and fears. (II Tim.1:7, Isa.41:10)

E. COMPASSION - put aside all negativity, harmful and hateful behaviors and show kindness, forgiveness to one another just as the Lord has forgiven us.
(Eph. 4:31-32)

CONCLUSION: The Favor of the Lord is priceless. When we recognize it's worth and are grateful for the goodness of the Lord, then we will be able to benefit from the favor of the Lord in every circumstance of our lives.