

GOD'S GRACE AND FAVOUR

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1. When we are born again, washed clean from sin in the Blood of Jesus by faith, justified, declared righteous in God's sight, we become the people of **God's favour**. God's attitude to us is no longer judgment because of sin, but of **His favour** because of righteousness.
2. *Rom 5:1* Therefore being justified by faith we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.
Ps 5:12 **God surrounds us with His favour** as with a shield.
Ps 44:3 We gain our inheritance by the Lord's right hand, His arm, the light of His countenance, and His favour towards us.
Ps 56:9 When I cry out to God my enemies turn back, this I know because God is **for me**.
Ps 118:5-7 The Lord is **on my side.....**the Lord is **for me**
Lk 1:28 The angel said to Mary, "rejoice **highly favoured one**. the Lord is with you." The same Greek word is used in *Eph 1:6* NKJV - He has made us "**accepted**" = **highly favoured ones** in the Beloved.
3. This attitude of God's favour to us results in **the release of His grace** in our lives. "Grace" is God's free undeserved blessing, to us through Christ.
Rom 5:2 Through Christ we have access into this **grace** in which we stand.
Rom 5:20 Where sin abounded **grace** does much more abound.
Rom 6:14 Sin no longer rules our lives because we are no longer under the law but under **grace**.
Rom 5:17 We rule in life through Christ by **abundance of grace** and the gift of righteousness.
Rom 3:24 We are justified freely by **His grace**, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.
4. **God's grace is His:** blessing, goodness, help and care, strength, healing, power, enabling, authority, over-ruling, deliverance, safekeeping, guidance, wisdom, truth, mercy, love, kindness, anointing, in our lives.
5. *2Cor 9:8* God is able to make all **grace** abound towards you, that you always being all sufficient in all things may abound to every good work.
6. *2Cor 12:9* **God's grace is sufficient** for you, He says, "My strength is made perfect in your weakness."
7. God's grace is given to us: **freely, abundantly, sufficiently**, through Christ by faith, as we believe His Word, as we are serving God in obedience in all we do.
8. *Jn 1:14,17* The glory of Christ was His Fulness of grace and truth.
Eph 2:8,9 By grace we are saved through faith....
2Tim 2:1 My son be strong in the grace that is in Christ.
Eph 3:7 We become ministers.....by the gift of the grace of God
See also *Heb 4:16, Tit 2:11, 3:7, 1Pet 5:5*.