

The Favour of God

PART TWO

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ARISE, SHINE
YOUR LIGHT HAS COME

A scenic view of a tree-lined path in a park or university campus. The path is paved and leads towards a building with a blue dome in the distance. There are several people walking on the path, and the sun is shining through the trees, creating a warm, golden glow. The text is overlaid on the image in a white, cursive font with a drop shadow.

"The greatest form of favour
for me is to know in a
moment: God is with me."

1. Intro:

- **Favour** – Catch it, live it | *walk in it by faith*
- We all have favour
- Not all walk in it
- Jesus is the key to the greatest favour | **SALVATION**
- Jesus restores what was broken: *Relationship with God*

Relationship as **SONS** and **DAUGHTERS** #1 key

Hebrew – Old Testament

- Hebrew word: חֵן (hēn)
- Meaning: **Grace, favour, charm, acceptance**
- Root idea: To bend or stoop in kindness to an inferior — especially from a superior to someone undeserving.

Greek – New Testament

- Greek word: χάρις (charis)
- Meaning: **Grace, kindness, favour, benefit, unmerited favour, pleasure, thank-**

What does God's favour look like?

1. Salvation
2. **Calling and purpose***
3. Answered Prayer
4. Provision and breakthrough
5. Protection
6. Favour with people
7. The Kingdom to come

*'The world says hustle [to survive, live and thrive],
but God says to us follow and as you follow, you will have My
unmerited favour and grace.'*

2. Favour's Purpose:

'Favour is more purposeful than it is personal.'

Cliché way: Blessed to be a blessing

2.1 Purposeful People of God: The Word

A. Noah:

Genesis 6:8 But Noah **found favour** in the eyes of the Lord. 9 These are the generations of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his generation. **Noah walked with God.**

B. Joseph:

Genesis 39:21 “The Lord **was with him**; he showed him kindness and **granted him favour...**”

Genesis 39:21 “But the Lord was with Joseph and showed him steadfast love and **gave him favour** in the sight of the keeper of the prison.”

C. Moses:

Moses' Intercession | Exodus 33:12 Moses said to the LORD, “See, you say to me, ‘Bring up this people,’ but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, ‘**I know you by name, and you have also found favour in my sight.**’ 13 Now therefore, if I have found favour in your sight, please show me now your ways, that I may know you in order to find favour in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people.” 14 And he said, “**My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.**” 15 And he said to him, “If your presence will not go with me, do not bring us up from here. 16 For how shall it be known that I have found favour in your sight, I and your people? Is it not in your going with us, so that we are distinct, I and your people, from every other people on the face of the earth?” 17 And the LORD said to Moses, “This very thing that you have spoken I will do, for you have **found favour in my sight, and I know you by name.**” 18 Moses said, “Please show me your glory.”

Purposeful People of God: The Word

D. Esther:

Esther 2:17 “Now the king was attracted to Esther more than to any of the other women... she **won his favour** and approval more than any of the other virgins.”

Esther 4:14 “...And who knows but that you have come to your royal position for such a time as this?”

E. David:

1 Samuel 16:22 “David came to Saul and entered his service. Saul liked him very much...”

Acts 7:45 ...So it was until the days of David, 46 **who found favour in the sight of God** and asked to find a dwelling place for the God of Jacob.

F. Mary (*Mother of Jesus*)

Luke 1:30–31 “But the angel said to her, ‘Do not be afraid, Mary; **you have found favour** with God. You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus.’”

G. Paul

Acts 9:15 “But the Lord said to him, ‘Go, for **he is a chosen** instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel.’”

Galatians 1:15 “But when God, who set me apart from my mother’s womb and **called me by his grace [favour]**, was pleased...”

*Their favour –
means life for us*



*Your favour -
means life for others*

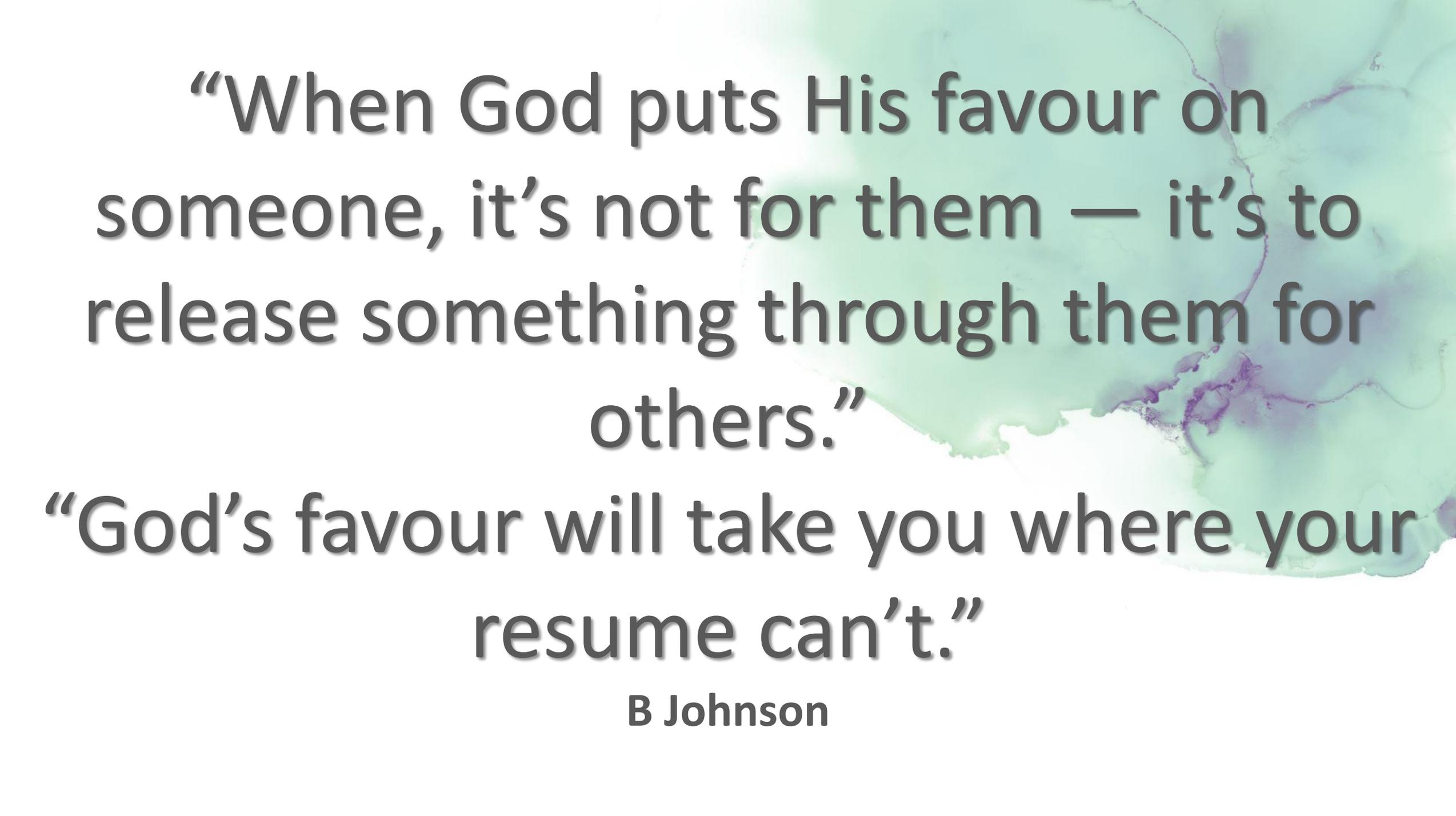


2.2 Purposeful People of God: @ Home

Where the purpose is, there the favour [*grace*] of God will be also.

Where the flow of the favour is, in that direction, you will often find your purpose and calling.

Favour flows...



“When God puts His favour on someone, it’s not for them — it’s to release something through them for others.”

“God’s favour will take you where your resume can’t.”

B Johnson



The Father's Business

The Father's House

The Favour Flows...

Gifts of the Father (motivational gifts) Romans 12:6-8	Gifts of the Son (fivefold ministry gifts) Ephesians 4:11	Gifts of the Holy Spirit 1 Corinthians 12:7-10
<p>prophet</p> <p>ministry/serving</p> <p>teaching</p> <p>exhortation</p> <p>giving</p> <p>organisation/leadership</p> <p>mercy</p>	<p>Apostles</p> <p>Prophets</p> <p>Evangelists</p> <p>Teachers</p> <p>Pastors</p>	<p>Wisdom</p> <p>Knowledge</p> <p>Faith</p> <p>Healing</p> <p>Miracles</p> <p>Prophecy</p> <p>Discernment</p> <p>Tongues</p> <p>Interpretation</p>

A wide-angle photograph of a vast field of golden-brown grain, likely wheat or barley, under a clear sky. The field stretches to the horizon, with a line of green trees and a small building visible in the distance. A semi-transparent rectangular box is centered over the field, containing the text "Favour Focus" in a white, cursive font with a black outline.

Favour Focus



Let's Pray



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