

“RECEIVING ABUNDANCE OF DIVINE FAVOR”

FOUNDATIONAL SCRIPTURE(S):

John 1:15- 16- AMP.- John testified [repeatedly] about Him and [a]has cried out [testifying officially for the record, with validity and relevance], “This was He of whom I said, ‘He who comes after me [b]has a higher rank than I *and* has priority over me, for He existed before me.’” 16 For out of His fullness [the superabundance of His grace and truth] we have all received grace upon grace [spiritual blessing upon spiritual blessing, favor upon favor, and gift heaped upon gift]. 17 For the Law was given through Moses, but grace [the unearned, undeserved favor of God] and truth came through Jesus Christ.

Amos 9:13-15- Message-“Yes indeed, it won't be long now.” God's Decree. “Things are going to happen so fast your head will swim, one thing fast on the heels of the other. You won't be able to keep up. Everything will be happening at once—and everywhere you look, blessings! Blessings like wine pouring off the mountains and hills. I'll make everything right again for my people Israel:

Ephesians 1:1-23- AMP.-1 Paul, an apostle (special messenger, personally chosen representative) of Christ Jesus (the Messiah, the Anointed), by the will of God [that is, by His purpose and choice],
To the [a]saints (God's people) [b]who are at Ephesus and are faithful *and* loyal *and* steadfast in Christ Jesus: 2 Grace to you and peace [inner calm and spiritual well-being] from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

3 [c]Blessed *and* worthy of praise be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms in Christ, 4 just as [in His love] He chose us in Christ [actually selected us for Himself as His own] before the foundation of the world, so that we would be holy [that is, consecrated, set apart for Him, purpose-driven] and blameless in His sight. In love 5 He predestined *and* lovingly planned for us to be adopted to Himself as [His own] children through Jesus Christ, in accordance with the kind intention *and* good pleasure of His will— 6 to the praise of His glorious grace *and* favor, which He so freely bestowed on us in the Beloved [His Son, Jesus Christ]. 7 In Him we have redemption [that is, our deliverance and salvation] through His blood, [which paid the penalty for our sin and resulted in] the forgiveness *and* complete pardon of our sin, in accordance with the riches of His grace 8 which He lavished on us. In all wisdom and understanding [with practical insight] 9 He made known to us the

mystery of His will according to His good pleasure, which He purposed in Christ, 10 with regard to the fulfillment of the times [that is, the end of history, the climax of the ages]—to bring all things together in Christ, [both] things in the heavens and things on the earth. 11 In Him also we have [d]received an inheritance [a destiny—we were claimed by God as His own], having been predestined (chosen, appointed beforehand) according to the purpose of Him who works everything in agreement with the counsel *and* design of His will, 12 so that we who were the first to hope in Christ [who first put our confidence in Him as our Lord and Savior] would exist to the praise of His glory. 13 In Him, you also, when you heard the word of truth, the good news of your salvation, and [as a result] believed in Him, were stamped with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit [the One promised by Christ] as owned *and* protected [by God]. 14 The Spirit is the [e]guarantee [the first installment, the pledge, a foretaste] of our inheritance until the redemption of *God's own* [purchased] possession [His believers], to the praise of His glory.

15 For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God's people, 16 I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers; 17 [I always pray] that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may grant you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation [that gives you a deep and personal and intimate insight] into the true knowledge of Him [for we know the Father through the Son]. 18 And [I pray] that the eyes of your heart [the very center and core of your being] may be enlightened [flooded with light by the Holy Spirit], so that you will know *and* cherish the [f]hope [the divine guarantee, the confident expectation] to which He has called you, the riches of His glorious inheritance in the [g]saints (God's people), 19 and [so that you will begin to know] what the immeasurable *and* unlimited *and* surpassing greatness of His [active, spiritual] power is in us who believe. These are in accordance with the working of His mighty strength 20 which He [h]produced in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His own right hand in the heavenly *places*, 21 far above all rule and authority and power and dominion [whether angelic or human], and [far above] every name that is named [above every title that can be conferred], not only in this age *and* world but also in the one to come. 22 And He [i]put all things [in every realm] in subjection under Christ's feet, and [j]appointed Him as [supreme and authoritative] head over all things in the church, 23 which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills *and* completes all things in all [believers].

I Corinthians 2:9-12-AMP.- but just as it is written [In Scripture],

“Things which the eye has not seen and the ear has not heard,
And which have not entered the heart of man,
All that God has prepared for those who love Him [who hold Him in affectionate
reverence, who obey Him, and who gratefully recognize the benefits that He has
bestowed].”

10 For God has unveiled them *and* revealed *them* to us through the [Holy] Spirit; for the
Spirit searches all things [diligently], even [sounding and measuring] the [profound]
depths of God [the divine counsels and things far beyond human understanding]. 11 For
what person knows the thoughts and motives of a man except the man's spirit within
him? So also no one knows the *thoughts* of God except the Spirit of God. 12 Now we
have received, not the spirit of the world, but the [Holy] Spirit who is from God, so that
we may know *and* understand the [wonderful] things freely given to us by God.

Romans 8:31-33 AMP.-What then shall we say to all these things? If God is for us,
who can be [successful] against us? 32 He who did not spare [even] His own Son, but
gave Him up for us all, how will He not also, along with Him, graciously give us all
things? 33 Who will bring any charge against God's elect (His chosen ones)? It is God
who justifies us [declaring us blameless and putting us in a right relationship with
Himself].

Romans 8:17-AMP.- And if [we are His] children, [then we are His] heirs also: heirs
of God and fellow heirs with Christ [sharing His spiritual blessing and inheritance], if
indeed we share in His suffering so that we may also share in His glory.

KEY POINTS TO REMEMBER ABOUT “Receiving Abundance of Divine Favor”

- In this season of Divine Favor, we must understand that God has **already prepared, made and kept ready blessings for the believer!** They are a finished work of Jesus.
- The Holy Spirit knows everything we needed how to get it to us. God wants to give us things and do things that we never dreamed of. He has “stuff” (blessings) for the Believer others cannot get! This is that ***Divine Favor***. This is the season the Believers are going into.
- God wants us to understand who is releasing this favor. Always give Him NOT YOURSELF, NOT MAN, the glory/credit! If in the natural someone gave you something or helped you and you never acknowledged or thanked them, how do you think they would feel? Thanksgiving makes room for more! The Bible tells of the 10 lepers who Jesus healed from leprosy. Only one of them came back to Him and gave thanks for his healing, but look at how important thanksgiving was to Jesus- this leper was not just healed, but “made whole.” There was nothing missing, lacking or broken in his life, simply because he gave thanks! Jesus was demonstrating the importance of thanksgiving.

What is Your Part as a Believer in This Divine Favor?

1. **YOU must DECLARE IT- Job 22:28-** the word says when you decree and declare it, the light of God's Favor comes.
2. **YOU must RECEIVE IT- Romans 5:17-** The Greek work for seize or lay hold of is **Lambano**. Turn up your expectation daily to walk in this Divine Favor of God.
3. **You must ACCEPT IT-** You must know who you are in Christ and have the right mindset of your righteousness. You are **declared righteous** by faith in Jesus. It is who you are before you do right. You were made righteous as a believer even when you miss it! You were reconciled or made one with God. You have access to God when your mindset is one of righteousness. The word says you have introduction or access by grace into God's favor. Righteousness is in your spirit by the person of the Holy Ghost who lives on the inside of every Believer! You are Holy and set apart by God, your are **blameless/unreprovable; free from and beyond criticism**.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION OF THE WORD:

1. PRAY IN THE SPIRIT DAILY FOR A MINIMUM OF 15 MINUTES TO RELEASE THIS BLESSING OF ABUNDANT INCREASE OF GODS' FAVOR.
2. Review your study notes weekly and meditate on the scriptures given.
3. Any Prophetic word from God released by Pastor Elam MUST BE received. In other words, you must lay hold and seize it (Grk. **Lambano**) by believing and meditating on it until it comes to pass!
4. Daily Confess how highly favored you are of God; change your mindset!
5. Use the name of Jesus daily in all situations you are faced with.

Take these words and apply them this week. Meditate on this scripture:

Colossians 1:21- 23- AMPC.- And although you at one time were estranged *and* alienated from Him and were of hostile attitude of mind in your wicked activities,
22 Yet now has [Christ, the Messiah] reconciled [you to God] in the body of His flesh through death, in order to present you holy and faultless and irreproachable in His [the Father's] presence.
23 [And this He will do] provided that you continue to [a]stay with *and* in the faith [in Christ], well-grounded and settled *and* steadfast, not shifting *or* moving away from the hope [which rests on and is inspired by] the glad tidings (the Gospel), which you heard and which has been preached [b][as being designed for and offered without restrictions] to every person under heaven, and of which [Gospel] I, Paul, became a minister.

CONFESS:

Lord I thank you that I have been reconciled to you through the death of Jesus. I am now faultless, and irreproachable, beyond criticism. You have made me righteous. I am Holy and set apart by you because I continue to stay in the faith of Jesus, well-grounded and settled and steadfast, not shifting or moving away from the hope which rests on is and is inspired by the Gospel, the almost too good to be true, good new of Jesus Christ and what He did for me, and independent of me. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, be it unto me, AMEN.