

FAVOR FOR SUPERNATURAL WEALTH

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WEALTH is riches or plenty. A wealthy person is an extremely rich person.

SUPERNATURAL is power that is above the natural. It is power that rules (influences, control) the natural. To operate in the supernatural is to operate outside and above the natural laws that God has put in place.

When Jesus walked on the water, turned ordinary water into wine, raised the dead, made the blind see, deaf hear, cripple walk, cleansed lepers, He was operating the supernatural. When Peter collected tax money from the belly of a fish at the instruction of Jesus, it was the supernatural that was in manifestation.

Supernatural Wealth therefore, is wealth that comes by the supernatural power of God – Wealth gotten not just by following natural laws and principles of success alone.

Eccl 9:11

11 I have seen something else under the sun: The race is not to the swift or the battle to the strong, nor does food come to the wise or wealth to the brilliant or favor to the learned; but time and chance happen to them all.

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Time and chance does not mean luck. There is nothing like luck. All things are under God's control and permit. If God does not permit, it won't be. If God does not permit, the devil cannot perform. What time and chance mean is that, there is a supernatural person or power that decides who wins the race, who becomes wealthy or who wins the war.

It is not the most educated that make the most money. University professors today are not as rich as the students that graduated from their classes. Some of their old students can afford to give away millions of Naira as gifts, while the lecturers cannot afford to give away a thousand Naira.

The management consultants are not as wealthy as the people they consult for. They have the brains, but the bulk of the money is in the hands of the entrepreneurs. The success teacher and motivator who teaches and motivates others to riches and glory is not necessarily the richest.

Knowledge, skill and diligence are good and very necessary, but you must trust the supernatural power of God to make things happen. When the supernatural power of God is working in your favour, failure, disappointment, stagnation, setback, sorrow, neglect and abandonment becomes a thing of the past.

Zech 4:6

6 So he said to me, "This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel: 'Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit,' says the LORD Almighty.

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Rom 9:16

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THE REALITY OF THE SUPERNATURAL

1. ABRAHAM

Gen 12:1-3

12:1 The LORD had said to Abram, "Leave your country, your people and your father's household and go to the land I will show you. 2 "I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. 3 I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."

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Gen 13:1-2

13:1 So Abram went up from Egypt to the Negev, with his wife and everything he had, and Lot went with him. 2 Abram had become very wealthy in livestock and in silver and gold.

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Abraham became very wealthy in silver and gold because God blessed him. It was the supernatural power of God that favoured him. There was no spectacular success principle applied apart from diligence and obeying every instruction of God and tithing.

Abraham was so wealthy that he had a private army of 318 trained men born in his household.

Gen 14:14

14 When Abram heard that his relative had been taken captive, he called out the 318 trained men born in his household and went in pursuit as far as Dan.

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It was the favour of God that made him wealthy. What God did for Abraham, he will do for you.

Gal 3:13-14

13 Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: "Cursed is everyone who is hung on a tree." 14 He redeemed us in order that the blessing given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles through Christ Jesus, so that by faith we might receive the promise of the Spirit.

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2. ISAAC

Gen 26:1-6

26:1 Now there was a famine in the land--besides the earlier famine of Abraham's time--and Isaac went to Abimelech king of the Philistines in Gerar. 2 The LORD appeared to Isaac and said, "Do not go down to Egypt; live in the land where I tell you to live. 3 Stay in this land for a while, and I will be with you and will bless you. For to you and your descendants I will give all these lands and will confirm the oath I swore to your father Abraham. 4 I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and will give them all these lands, and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, 5 because Abraham obeyed me and kept my requirements, my commands, my decrees and my laws." 6 So Isaac stayed in Gerar.

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Gen 26:12-14

12 Isaac planted crops in that land and the same year reaped a hundredfold, because the LORD blessed him. 13 The man became rich, and his wealth continued to grow until he became very wealthy. 14 He had so many flocks and herds and servants that the Philistines envied him.

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The favour of God upon Isaac based on the covenant he inherited from his father brought supernatural wealth. It is only the supernatural that can make a man have a hundredfold harvest in a famine stricken land. All it cost Isaac was obedience.

Obedience to the instructions of God will release the supernatural power of God to make you triumph and prosper in a very bad economy. The bumper harvest Isaac had in time of famine multiplied his wealth.

What God did for Isaac, God will do for you.

Gal 4:28

28 Now you, brothers, like Isaac, are children of promise.

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3. JACOB

Gen 30:27-28

27 But Laban said to him, "If I have found favor in your eyes, please stay. I have learned by divination that the LORD has blessed me because of you." 28 He added, "Name your wages, and I will pay them."

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Gen 30:43

43 In this way the man grew exceedingly prosperous and came to own large flocks, and maidservants and menservants, and camels and donkeys.

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Jacob left his parents with nothing hoping and believing to return to the land of promise wealthy. After he entered the service of his uncle, his uncle's flocks multiplied. Even the man himself confessed it.

The uncle tricked him by removing all animals that fell into category he requested as his wages, leaving him with nothing, intending to make him a slave for life. When he cried unto God, the supernatural power of God began to work for him. A revelation was given him on how to breed the type of animals he wanted. He put it to work and returned to the land of promise very wealthy that he could give away to his brother Esau thousands of animals.

Again, we saw that tithing and obedience in faith made the supernatural to work for him. What God did for Israel he will do for you.

Gal 6:16

16 Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule, even to the Israel of God.

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4. SOLOMON

Gal 3:4-5

4 Have you suffered so much for nothing-if it really was for nothing? 5 Does God give you his Spirit and work miracles among you because you observe the law, or because you believe what you heard?

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Gal 3:12-14

12 The law is not based on faith; on the contrary, "The man who does these things will live by them." 13 Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: "Cursed is everyone who is hung on a tree." 14 He redeemed us in order that the blessing given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles through Christ Jesus, so that by faith we might receive the promise of the Spirit.

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1 Kings 4:22-25

22 Solomon's daily provisions were thirty cors of fine flour and sixty cors of meal, 23 ten head of stall-fed cattle, twenty of pasture-fed cattle and a hundred sheep and goats, as well as deer, gazelles, roebucks and choice fowl. 24 For he ruled over all the kingdoms west of the River, from Tiphshah to Gaza, and had peace on all sides. 25 During Solomon's lifetime Judah and Israel, from Dan to Beersheba, lived in safety, each man under his own vine and fig tree.

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Solomon started his career as a king with fantastic love gift of a thousand burnt offerings. This stirred up God to give him an open cheque. He requested for wisdom, he gave him riches. He was so wealthy that he brought down the value of gold in Israel to the level of dust.

God's favour brought unusual wealth to his life and nation. The supernatural power of Yahweh manifested so much that people, even royalty came from far and near and gave him gifts.

What business principle did he employ that brought him all the wealth he had? He only walked in the covenant and the wisdom God gave him, and the supernatural did the rest. The supernatural power God will do for you what it did for King Solomon.

FAVOUR

Favour is friendly regard, willingness to help to protect. To favour a person is to be kind to that person. To favour is to approve a person's plan, programme or a course.

A man is out of favour with another when he displeases him. That is why "*When a man's ways are pleasing to the LORD, he makes even his enemies live at peace with him*" (Prov 16:7 NIV). Favour comes by pleasing God.

To favour is to aid, assist, and support. To favour is to be in sympathy with; on the side of someone. So when God favours you, it means he is in sympathy with you; he is on your side, and will assist and support you.

To favour is to treat with generosity, leniency and prefer that person above others to the level where it could be termed "partiality." When God favours you, he will be generous towards you. He will not withhold anything you need from you. He will be lenient with you, always showing you mercy, forgiving and tolerating you – He will be soft-hearted towards you. Because of his favour he will prefer you to others, protect you from the epidemic or plague that is killing others, move you forward when others are stagnating, give you the job of your choice though you are the least qualified, do anything for you, and even kill for you.

Isa 4:1-4

In that day seven women will take hold of one man and say, "We will eat our own food and provide our own clothes; only let us be called by your name. Take away our disgrace!" 2 In that day the Branch of the LORD will be beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of the land will be the pride and glory of the survivors in Israel. 3 Those who are left in Zion, who remain in Jerusalem, will be called holy, all who are recorded among the living in Jerusalem. 4 The Lord will wash away the filth of the women of Zion; he will cleanse the bloodstains from Jerusalem by a spirit of judgment and a spirit of fire.

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Favour is act of kindness. To do something to help somebody is favour. When God favours you, he will always show you kindness by doing something to help you out of trouble. He helped Abraham by restoring his wife to him from Pharaoh and Abimelech. God helped Joseph by making him Prime Minister in Egypt a land where he was sent to as a slave. God will always show you favour in Jesus name.

Favour is unmerited mercy, it is a mercy not worked for or deserved. God's favour comes to us not because we are perfect in his sight but because He loves us.

Another word for God's favour is grace. By grace are we saved through faith, and not by keeping of the law, but a gift from God so no one will boast that he made it to heaven by his own efforts.

Eph 2:8-9

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

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So whatever you are, or become in life and ministry is all by the grace or favour of God.

1 Cor 15:10

10 But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them-yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me.

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You need the favour of God to become what God wants you to become. A strong desire and much effort to make it is not enough. A good education and skill is not enough. You need God's favour to make you successful.

Rom 9:16

16 It does not, therefore, depend on man's desire or effort, but on God's mercy.

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IMPORTANCE OF FAVOUR

There are certain spiritual truths in the word of God that shows the importance of favour. These truth or laws cannot be ignored at all.

1. You need the Spirit of God who is the agent of grace or favour to make it.

Zech 4:6

6 So he said to me, "This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel: 'Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit,' says the LORD Almighty.

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2. Skill, education, intelligence, wisdom strength is not enough. You must acknowledge the fact that the supernatural influence things. So, if the supernatural power of God is not favouring you, then supernatural power of the devil may oppress you, you need God's favour.

Eccl 9:11

11 I have seen something else under the sun: The race is not to the swift or the battle to the strong, nor does food come to the wise or wealth to the brilliant or favor to the learned; but time and chance happen to them all.

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3. We know that it takes strong desire to get motivated to pursue vision to successful conclusion. Strong desire alone will not do it. Hard work or much efforts is very much needed, but not sufficient. You need the mercy of God. You need God's favour to open doors, gain acceptance, draw people and jobs to you, bless the work and make you profit from your labour. Entreat God's favour, you need it badly. We all need it in everything and at all times. The purpose of prayer is to entreat his favour.

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PURPOSE OF FAVOUR

1. The purpose of favour is to make life easy.
2. It is to make the accomplishment of our goals and accumulation of wealth easy and possible. God lends his support to me so that I can accomplish the task he has given me.
3. Favour is to free us from struggles.
4. Favour is to give us rest while we pursue our goals.
5. Favour is to stop the devil from winning over us.
6. Favour is to resist the devil and put our enemies to check.
7. Favour is to judge the enemy and crush him.
8. Favour is to fill our lives with happiness and joy.
9. Favour is to make living sweet and exciting.
10. Favour is to enable us look away from ourselves and trust God with all our hearts as our source, protector and everything.
11. Favour is to make us see the relevance of God in our world today.
12. Favour is to help us not to lean on our own understanding but trust God (Prov 3:5).
13. Favour is to teach us to walk with God in covenant.
14. Favour is to give us reason to praise God, and make sure that God alone gets the glory.

HOW TO ENTREAT GOD'S FAVOUR

To entreat God's favour, you need to walk in the principles am going to show you now. The Bible teaches that when a man's ways please the Lord, he makes his enemies to be at peace with him.

Prov 16:7

7 When a man's ways are pleasing to the LORD, he makes even his enemies live at peace with him.

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This shows that there is a certain way a man will walk, and God will show him favour because he has pleased him. And there is a way a man will walk and God will be displeased and turn away from the person.

2 Chron 15:2

2 He went out to meet Asa and said to him, "Listen to me, Asa and all Judah and Benjamin. The LORD is with you when you are with him. If you seek him, he will be found by you, but if you forsake him, he will forsake you.

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1. WALK IN COVENANT WITH GOD

Abraham started his journey into supernatural wealth by accepting to walk in the covenant God initiated. God does not bless except on the basis of a covenant. So, if you are not in covenant relationship with God through Jesus Christ, you cannot be favoured by God.

You can't expect the God you refuse to walk with to favour you. Surrender your life to Jesus Christ and live by the covenant and you will be favoured.

2. WALK IN OBEDIENCE

You need a listening ear. Abraham, Isaac, Jacob (Israel), Joseph and Solomon all had a listening ear. They listened for his voice, and obeyed his instructions.

God may ask you to do what you have never done before. God may ask you to tread on a totally new and unfamiliar terrain. God may ask you to do something that seems stupid and illogical in the sight of man. God may ask you to do something that no one has done before. God may ask you to do something that is against natural laws. All you need to enter your breakthrough is to obey.

Abraham obeyed him and left his people and journeyed to a land he knew not before. As he did, God favoured him and enriched him. God asked him to send Ishmael and the mother away, and he did. He asked him to sacrifice Isaac, and he was about to kill him, when he stopped him and blessed him.

Isaac obeyed Him and considered not the dryness of the ground because of the severe famine, he planted his seeds, and he had a hundredfold harvest. And by it, he grew in wealth to the level that the Philistines envied him.

Jacob obeyed the LORD by putting into practice the idea (inspiration) he received from God on how to breed speckled, or spotted sheep and goats and dark-coloured lambs he named as his prize from Laban. As a result, he grew wealthy.

If you will walk in obedience, you will entreat his favour. He can't favour the disobedient.

1 Sam 15:22-23

22 But Samuel replied: "Does the LORD delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as much as in obeying the voice of the LORD? To obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed is better than the fat of rams. 23 For rebellion is like the sin of divination, and arrogance like the evil of idolatry. Because you have rejected the word of the LORD, he has rejected you as king."

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The Bible contains the word of God, obey them and God will favour you.

Job 22:21-25

21 "Submit to God and be at peace with him; in this way prosperity will come to you. 22 Accept instruction from his mouth and lay up his words in your heart. 23 If you return to the Almighty, you will be restored: If you remove wickedness far from your tent 24 and assign your nuggets to the dust, your gold of Ophir to the rocks in the ravines, 25 then the Almighty will be your gold, the choicest silver for you.

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Accept the law of God. Receive instruction from him and obey it. Obedience is a sign of total surrender to the will and wisdom of God. Obedience is the key to favour to supernatural wealth. Obedience is a sign of faith in God and his word. Obedience positions one to receive supernatural interventions. God's favour normally favours the one who walks in obedience.

3. BE A FAITHFUL GIVER

Gen 14:18-20

18 Then Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine. He was priest of God Most High, 19 and he blessed Abram, saying, "Blessed be Abram by God Most High, Creator of heaven and earth. 20 And blessed be God Most High, who delivered your enemies into your hand." Then Abram gave him a tenth of everything.

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Solomon entreated the favour of God when he sacrificed a thousand burnt offerings to God, and God gave him an open cheque to name what he wanted.

1 Kings 3:4-5

4 The king went to Gibeon to offer sacrifices, for that was the most important high place, and Solomon offered a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. 5 At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon during the night in a dream, and God said, "Ask for whatever you want me to give you."

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God gave him more than the wisdom he requested for. He gave him riches and honour and security. Later on in life, he embarrassed God with an unusually extravagant offering at the dedication of the temple. He gave to acknowledge the favour upon his life that has brought him supernatural wealth, and the privilege of building him a house.

1 Kings 8:62-63

62 Then the king and all Israel with him offered sacrifices before the LORD. 63 Solomon offered a sacrifice of fellowship offerings to the LORD: twenty-two thousand cattle and a hundred and twenty thousand sheep and goats. So the king and all the Israelites dedicated the temple of the LORD.

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His offering reflected the supernatural wealth that has come to him. And this again, provoked a greater blessing.

You need to be a faithful and delightful tither and giver to provoke the blessings of God. To bless is to favour. When God promised blessings on the tither and giver, he was actually promising favour.

Mal 3:9-12

9 You are under a curse-the whole nation of you-because you are robbing me. 10 Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it. 11 I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not cast their fruit," says the LORD Almighty. 12 "Then all the nations will call you blessed, for yours will be a delightful land," says the LORD Almighty.

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1. Be a faithful tither.
2. Give regular offerings each time you come into God's house. Let your offerings reflect the increase of God upon the work of your hands. Give as the Lord has blessed you.
3. Make kingdom investments. Be a partner with a ministry in carrying out the assignment of world evangelization. Weekly, monthly or quarterly contributions will increase God's favour upon your life.
4. Give when there is a call for it in the church where you are planted by God.
5. Give to those in need especially, those of the household of faith. Prov 11:24-28; 19:17.

4. WALK IN LOVE AND BE FAITHFUL

Prov 3:3-4

3 Let love and faithfulness never leave you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. 4 Then you will win favor and a good name in the sight of God and man.

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God is love; and if you know him, you will walk in love. And by walking in love shall all men know that you know God and have relationship with him. When you are walking in love, you will be filled with compassion and kindness. And it will motivate you to be a problem solver. What you make happen for others, God will make happen for you. The

seeds of love and kindness you sow into people's life, God will cause men to sow into your life. Your love for others provokes the favour of God.

Dorcas was raised from the dead and given an opportunity to continue life on earth because the people she loved and cared for would not allow her to die. They cried to God and sent for Peter. Peter cried to God and God raised her from the dead (Acts 9:36-42). Whatever a man sows he reaps (Gal. 6:7). Love people. Help people. Add spices to someone's life. Be a problem solver. Help someone who needs help. Forgive everyone that hurts you.

Be faithful in serving God and man. Humility is the way to the top. You have to be a disciple before you can be an apostle. You have to be a servant before you can be a master. Serve with all your heart. Serve your boss, master, teacher, employer, and parents well and someone will serve you tomorrow.

Rebellion begets rebellion. If you don't know how to pour water into another man's hand, no one will pour water into your hand. You reap what you sow. God cannot favour the rebellious; He likens them to witchcraft practitioners.

Be faithful in obeying God. Be faithful in giving your tithes and offerings. Be faithful in managing and administering the resources (money) God give you. Be a good steward for your God. Be faithful in winning souls. Be faithful in encouraging the man of God in fulfilling his assignment. Be faithful in showing love and helping others. Do not be weary in well doing, for at the proper time you will reap if you do not give up.

Gal 6:9

9 Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.

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Eccl 9:10

10 Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with all your might, for in the grave, where you are going, there is neither working nor planning nor knowledge nor wisdom.

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Prov 16:7

7 When a man's ways are pleasing to the LORD, he makes even his enemies live at peace with him.

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Never forget that love and faithfulness will bring favour to you in the sight of God and man.

5. PRAY ALWAYS FOR HIS MERCY

Matt 7:7

7 "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.

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You have seen the importance of favour, the purpose of favour, and you know you need favour. Ask and you shall be given. Make a daily request that you be favoured as you go about your normal business.

CONCLUSION

Favour for supernatural wealth is real. And it is God's will for every of his child. What he did for our fathers that we considered in his study he will do for you. Put to practice all I have instructed and you will live in favour for supernatural wealth all your life. You are favoured in Jesus name. The favour of God will open doors for you, stop the devil, give you ideas, connect you, lead you to your green pasture where you will feed fat. His favour will bless the work of your hands, prosper you in all that you do, strengthen you, and make you skillful and sought after. Receive the favour of God now in the name of Jesus.

Welcome to the world of supernatural wealth by the favour of God.