



## The Favor Factor

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### MESSAGE SUMMARY

In “The Favor Factor,” Pastor Duaine teaches us that favor is not just something we have—it’s who we are as chosen children of God. Like Hannah, whose very name means “favored one,” we are favored regardless of our circumstances. God has spoken a word over our lives before we were born and there is a “set time of favor when God’s divine schedule overrides our chronology. Let’s get ready to understand the favor we carry and learn more about how that favor impacts the world around us THROUGH US. Let’s get started!

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

**Key Scriptures:** 1 Samuel 1:1-8, 19-20 and Psalm 102:13

#### I. The Nature of Favor

- It is in God’s nature to show me favor. He chose me, therefore I am a “favored” one. I am God’s prized possession, a chosen generation, a royal priesthood (1 Peter 2:9)
- God chose us out of a conversation He had with himself (eklegomai). There is time we were ordained to arrive so that we can manifest a measure of God’s word in the earth.
- Favor is a currency of the kingdom, it is a result of our God’s covenant with us.
- Favor cannot be purchased, it is not an indicator of my circumstance, it is an indicator of my position with God – I am HIS CHOICE.

#### Questions:

1. What does the word “favor” mean to you?
2. Can you think of a time when you experienced unexpected favor—when something worked out in a way that seemed beyond your control or qualifications?

#### II. Hannah’s Story

- Hannah’s name literally means “favored one,” yet she lived in misery, sorrow, and frustration for years without the child she desperately wanted.
- How do you reconcile being “favored” with going through difficult seasons?
- Elkanah gave Hannah a “double portion” even though her rival Peninnah provoked her severely.
- Pastor Duaine said, “When the enemy provokes you, he is not provoking you, he’s provoking your favor.”

- According to the message, Peninnah (meaning “pearl”) represents value born from pressure and provocation.

**Questions:**

1. What “pearls” might God be producing through the pressures you’re currently facing?
2. How can we avoid cursing our crisis when it might be producing something valuable?
3. How might this perspective change the way you respond to opposition or attacks in your life?

### III. The Set Time of Favor

- Psalm 102:13 speaks of a “set time” when favor arrives.
- There is a kairos moment—a divine appointment on God’s calendar—when favor shows up regardless of our chronology (process).
- The teaching emphasized that we are “chosen out of an active word” (eklegomai)—that God was having conversations about us before we were born.

**Questions:**

1. How does knowing there’s a “set time” help you while you’re still in your Chronos (process)?
2. How does understanding that you were spoken into existence for “such a time as this” affect your sense of purpose and identity?
3. What are some ways you’ve been defining yourself by your circumstances rather than by your God-given identity? How can you begin to see yourself as “favor” no matter where you are?

## CONCLUSION & CHALLENGE

Just as Hannah received a double portion despite years of waiting, we can expect God’s favor to show up in uncommon and uncanny ways to help us fulfill our assignments. We don’t need the resume’, the connections, or the perfect circumstances—we need favor, and favor is our name. We are not favored because of our conditions; we are favored because GOD CHOSE US. We must recognize that favor is OUR nature, walk in it, and trust that at God’s appointed time, our favor will OPEN UP DOORS & IMPACT THE KINGDOM in ways that we could never on our own!

**Reflection Questions:**

1. What has been your biggest takeaway from this message about favor?
2. Is there an area where you’ve been walking around expecting less than God’s favor because you’ve let circumstances define you rather than your identity in Christ?
3. What assignment or calling has God placed on your life? What specific areas do you need favor to accomplish what God has called you to do (finances, connections, opportunities, skills, etc.)?

**Personal Challenge:**

1. **Daily Declaration:** Every morning this week, declare out loud: *“My name is Favor. I am a chosen generation. I am entering a set time of favor. What God has procured for me on high is coming to meet me today.”*
2. **Action Step:** Write down one specific area where you need God’s favor to accomplish your assignment. Pray specifically for favor in that area each day, and watch for ways God opens doors or makes connections. Share your testimony next week.

3. **Mindset Shift:** When faced with opposition or challenges this week, instead of responding in frustration, remind yourself: “The enemy is not provoking me, he’s provoking my favor.” Watch how this shifts your response.
4. **Prayer Challenge:** Pray that **Redemption Church** would enter into its set time of favor—for supernatural provision, connections, and open doors to fulfill the vision God has given. // Lift up **Pastor Duaine**, his wife, and their upcoming church plant, **Dominion LA**. Pray for overwhelming favor as they prepare to bring a move of God to Los Angeles

**Memory Verse:**

***“You will arise and have mercy on Zion; for the time to favor her, yes, the set time, has come.” — Psalm 102:13 (NKJV)***