

# WONDERS

Title: **THE WONDER CALLED GOD'S FAVOR**

Date: **April 21, 2024**

## Leader's Tips:

- S** - Sensitivity with others. No one should feel left out.
- P** - Participation is encouraged during discussion.
- A** - Acknowledge guests. Make them feel welcome.
- C** - Confidentiality is key. What is shared stays in the group.
- E** - Encourage the group to pray for one another.

## WORSHIP: (15 mins)

### Venue Option 1: Home gatherings

*Sing one or two songs or play a song from You Tube.*

**Venue Option 2: Public place** (school, café, park, etc.) or  
**Via Online**, ask, "What is your "high" or "your "low" this past week?"

## WELCOME:(15 mins): Remember I.W.C.

**I** - Introduce yourself.

**W** - Welcome guests/first-time visitors.

**C** - Cheer up (say a word of encouragement) to someone within the group.

**Memory Verse for the week: Hebrews 11:6**

### Ice-breaker:

**Q:** Growing up, were you a favourite child in the family? A favourite employee at work?

## WORD (30–45 mins)

**Q:** In your own words, what does favor mean to you?

- refers to approval, support, or kindness shown towards someone. In a religious context, it can also mean divine blessing or grace.

For ex. If someone finds favour with God, it suggests that they are experiencing positive attention, protection, or assistance from God for a divine reason or purpose!

**Q:** What has been the biggest "favor" you received from God so far?

### Lesson proper: How do I gain God's favour?

#### 1. Have faith in God – Read Hebrew 11:6 NLT

**Q:** What is Faith? Faith – trust and confidence in God.

We need to have the faith to believe that there is a God, that He exist and He is real! Faith is believing His Word as the ultimate source of our purpose and meaning. God is a rewarder of those who seek Him! We seek God through His Word to know His will, purpose for our lives! We seek God and follow His word because we acknowledge Him as trustworthy.

**WORD:** Continuation:

#### 2. Live in humility before God and others – Read 1 Peter 5:6-9 NIV

Experiencing and understanding the favour/grace of God (un-merited favour) through the death or finish work of Christ on the cross, should make us live in humility before God and others.

When it is time for God to public promote or honour us, no one can stand in our way. God will honour and bless us whether people like it or not. The world will see the difference of a life that God favours. (Read v.6)

His care is the best and He is more than enough. (Read v.7)

We will have authority and power over spiritual forces of darkness. Demons will fear and obey us. (Read vv.8-9)

**Q:** In what practical ways can I use my gifts and talents to serve God and others?

**Q:** How can I demonstrate humility in my relationships with others?

### Conclusion:

Do we desire God's favour? It begins by placing our trust in Christ and surrendering our lives to Him. If you have not yet done this, now is the time for you to trust in Jesus and accept Him as your Saviour and Lord.

For us who are followers of Christ, understand that everything we receive from God is by His mercy and grace because Jesus died for us on the cross.

**Q: What is your take-away from the discussion?** Partner with someone in the group.

## WORK: The Challenge (15 mins.)

**P-** Pray for one another. Ask "**what can I pray for you?**" (7mins.)

**R-** Remind to invite a friend on the next gathering.

**A-** Apply the message during the week.

**Y-** Yearn to share your faith with some one during the week.