HOW FAVOR WORKS

Luke 1:26-28

LUKE 1:26-27 Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary.

LUKE 1:28 And having come in, the angel said to her "Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!"

1. RECEIVE THE WORD OF FAVOR...

Romans 10:17

ROMANS 10:17 so then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God.

2. <u>BELIEVE</u> THE WORD OF FAVOR

Hebrews 4:2

HEBREWS 4:2 for indeed the gospel was preached to us as well as to them; but the word which they heard did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in those who heard it.

3. GO FORWARD IN FAVOR

2 Peter 1:2-4

2 PETER 1:2 Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord,

2 PETER 1:3 as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue,

2 PETER 1:4 by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through

4. GOD <u>OPENS</u> HIS HAND

Psalm 145:16-18

Psalm 145:16 You <u>open</u> your hand and satisfy every living thing with favor.

Psalm 145:17 The Lord is [rigidly] righteous in all his ways and gracious [FAVOR] and merciful in all his works.

Psalm 145:18 The Lord is near to all who call upon Him, to all who call upon Him sincerely and in truth. **EPHESIANS 2:6 And He raised** us up together with Him and made us sit down together [giving us joint seating with Him] in the heavenly sphere [by virtue of our being] in Christ Jesus (the Messiah, the Anointed One).

EPHESIANS 2:7 He did this that He might clearly demonstrate through the ages to come the immeasurable (limitless, surpassing) riches of His free grace (His unmerited favor) in [His] kindness and goodness of heart toward us in Christ Jesus.

CLOSING...

JOB 22:28 You shall also decide and decree a thing, and it shall be established for you; and the light [of God's favor] shall shine upon your ways.

