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Do Not Be Afraid, For You Have Found Favor With God

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1 Found Favor

"The angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid Mary; for you have found favor with God"

Luke 1:30

"Found favor" - this is what each of us have received in our Savior and Lord Jesus Christ. We have found our Abba Father's favor, in His Son, for our lives.

Once we were lost but now we have found favor. We were lost in life, in sin, in this world, until we found favor, the favor of our Lord.

Now that we have found God's favor, let us stay with and abide in God's favor. Let us blessedly allow ourselves the great grace of accepting and realizing God's favor in our lives.

God did us a big favor when He gave us His favor!

God's favor is here, for you, now in this moment, to fill you, to protect you, to be your covering, to be your constant reminder of God's goodness to you always in Jesus Christ.

Thank God for His favor! "Do not be afraid - for you have found favor with God."

Hallelujah!

2

Affirming Favor Over Fear

"The angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid Mary; for you have found favor with God"

Luke 1:30

God's favor, freely given to you in abundance in Jesus Christ, is the perfect antidote for any and all fears.

"Do not be afraid" (please insert your name here) "for you have found favor with God."

Yes, for sure, we can always look at our fears. But wouldn't it be far better for us if we would look at God's favor rather than our fears?

This verse indicates that looking at God's favor actually dispels fear! How awesome is that!

Oh hallelujah, beloved child of God, if any fear ever raises it's head, just immediately look at, receive,

and praise your loving Lord for giving you His favor.

God's favor is greater than any fear. Let us extol His favor. Our fears are so small when placed next to the resurrection-life-favor-of-God living within us now and forever in Jesus Christ.

We can think about fear or we can think about favor. What does the angel Gabriel tell us to do - "Do not be afraid, for you have found favor with God."

Today, affirm the favor of God given to you abundantly in Jesus Christ. Yes, let God's favor free you from all fears. Amen!

Hallelujah!

3

PERPLEXED AND PONDERING, OR FAVOR

"She was very perplexed at this statement, and kept pondering what kind of salutation this was. The angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid Mary; for you have found favor with God"

Luke 1:29-30

Are you perplexed and pondering over anything today? I highly recommend you set that aside right now and instead receive and rejoice in the favor of God.

God's favor, realized within you in Jesus Christ, presents you with a strong and steady frame of mind, in Christ Himself. God's favor keeps you anchored and centered in Christ at all times.

On the other hand, being perplexed and pondering opens our mind, and spirit, to a wider variety of thinking which very often leads us into uncertainty, doubt, and a general natural thinking apart from our God's indwelling grace, presence, and favor.

Mary was perplexed and pondering concerning the angel Gabriel's appearance and opening words to her so, upon seeing this, the angel responded saying, "Do not be afraid Mary; for you have found favor with God" (Luke 1:30).

We don't have to be perplexed. We don't have to be

pondering. We don't have to be fearful. Why? Because God has given us His favor, in His Son, Who fills us with Himself, and vanquishes every perplexing, pondering, and fearful thought.

I invite you to receive the wisdom of Gabriel in this moment today and gladly take God's favor over all else that may be within you. Let His peace be your peace. Let His favor be your favor. Yes, give up being perplexed and pondering and instead start praising God for His precious favor, freely and abundantly given to you this day through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Hallelujah!

4

THE MESSAGE OF THE ANGEL - DO NOT BE AFRAID

"The angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid Mary; for you have found favor with God"

Luke 1:30

"Behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream saying, 'Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife; for the Child who has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit"

Matthew 1:20

In Luke's Gospel, as we have seen, the angel said to Mary "Do not be afraid." Now, in Matthew's Gospel we see the angel saying to Joseph "Do not be afraid."

My brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ, God's message to us right now is "Do not be afraid."

Let God take away all of your fears, for He has come, in love, to you and for you.

What I see in both of these passages is how the angel first graciously addressed Mary's and Joseph's fears and then, having done that, he proceeded to give both Mary and Joseph God's good word and good news for their lives. To Mary - "Do not be afraid Mary; for you have found favor with God." To Joseph - "Do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife; for the Child who has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit."

First the angel took away their fears and then they were able to hear and receive the angel's good news to them. You have found favor with God! Go ahead with your marriage for God is in it! You will be

parents of Messiah! This is of the Holy Spirit!

Beloved child of God - are you hearing the angel's message for your own life? Don't be afraid. You don't have to be afraid. God is here. Immanuel is with you (Matthew 1:22-23).

Let your loving Lord Jesus graciously touch you and take away your fear with His Word right now, and then, just like Mary and Joseph, you too will be free and enabled to receive God's promise of favor for you and His encouraging direction for your life.

Yes, you have found favor with God! Yes, you have a hope and a future! Yes, God intends to work all things out for you to the good (Romans 8:28)!

When we allow God's Word and God's messenger to take away our fears, then we can so much more clearly perceive God's promises and that this is "of the Holy Spirit."

"Do not be afraid." God is here. His Word is here. His message is here. His presence is here. His promise is here. His love is here. You are here.

Hallelujah!

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