

**TODAY's
SCRIPTURE
LESSON:**

**Luke
1:26-35**

TITLE:
**"Grace, Mercy,
and Favor:
What's The
Difference? *Pt. III***

SUBJECT:
**Kindness,
Forgiveness,
And Favorites**

SERMON SERIES:
**GOD's MERCY,
GRACE & FAVOR**

#1: Sun., 04-24-16 => Similarities;

#2: Sun., 05-01-16 => Differences;

#3: Sun., 05-08-16 => Favor;

"Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain ***mercy***, and find ***grace*** to help in time of need."

Hebrews 4:16

WORKING DEFINITION:

MERCY

NOT getting what one deserves;

...associated with that which is punitive or dismissal of an offense or fault;

WORKING DEFINITION:***GRACE***

Getting something that one did/does NOT deserve!

Associated with that which is free and cannot be earned;

WORKING DEFINITION:***FAVOR***

extraordinary and concentrated

dispensation of GOD's blessings, or GOD's unmerited kindness;

SERMONIC POINTS:

#1: DELIBERATE

#2: DECLARATION

#3: DENIAL

**SERMONIC
POINT #1:**

DELIBERATE

"Now in the sixth month the Angel Gabriel was ***sent by GOD*** to a city of Galilee named Nazareth,..."

Luke 1:26

"...to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. ***The virgin's name was Mary.***"

Luke 1:27

SERMONIC POINT #2:

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"But Noah found ***favor*** in the eyes of the LORD."

Genesis 6:8

"But the LORD was with Joseph and extended kindness to him, and gave him ***favor*** in the sight of the chief jailer."

Genesis 39:21

"Then Moses said to the LORD, "See, You say to me, 'Bring up this people!'... Moreover, You have said, 'I have known you by name, and you have also found ***favor*** in My sight.'."

Exodus 33:12

"Now the boy Samuel was growing in stature and in ***favor*** both with the LORD and with men.."

I Samuel 2:26

"So you will find ***favor*** and good repute in the sight of God and man..."

Proverbs 3:4

"For he who finds me finds life and obtains ***favor*** from the LORD.."

Proverbs 8:35

"A good man will obtain ***favor*** from the LORD, But He will condemn a man who devises evil."

Proverbs 12:2

"And having come in, the angel said to her, 'Rejoice, ***highly favored one***, THE LORD is with you; blessed are you among women! "

Luke 1:28

"...the angel said..., 'Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found ***favor*** with GOD.' And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a SON, and call HIS name JESUS.' "

Luke 1:30-31

SERMONIC POINT #3: **DENIAL**

"But when she saw him, ***she was troubled*** at his saying, and considered what manner of greetings this was."

Luke 1:29

" '**HE will be great**, and will be called THE SON of the HIGHEST, and THE LORD GOD will **give HIM the throne** of HIS FATHER David.' "

Luke 1:32

" 'And **HE will reign** over the house of Jacob forever, and of HIS Kingdom there will be no end.' "

Luke 1:33

"And the Angel...said, **THE HOLY SPIRIT** will come upon you, **and the power of THE HIGHEST** will overshadow you..."

Luke 1:35a

"...; therefore,... that HOLY ONE who is to be born will be called the Son of GOD.'

For with GOD **nothing** will be impossible.' "

Luke 1:35b

CONCLUSION:

What manner of GOD's favor has recently "come upon you?"

How will you combat denial and doubt the next time GOD decides GOD will bestow favor upon you?

How will you help someone else conclude that they are "worthy" of GOD's special favor?