

# **Principles of Divine Favor**

## **Nehemiah 2:1-10**

Introduction: What is this thing called “favor”?

1. Favor cannot be manipulated or manufactured. (v.1)
2. Favor is when God works on the hearts of those who have some control over our destiny. (v.4)
3. Favor is discovered by our own actions. (vv.3,4)
4. Favor is when God orchestrates circumstances in our behalf. (v.6)

5. Favor is God using God's enemies to bless God's people.

6. Those who pray for favor need to prepare for it. (vv.7,8)

7. Real favor is not self-centered, but for the sake of the larger body. (v.8)

8. Favor blesses you with what you did not request. (v.9)