

## 5 Things that will give you tremendous favor with God

Foundational Premise: Hebrews 13: 8 c.f. Acts 10: 34 – 35

1. **Wholehearted Devotion** – Caleb Numbers 14:24
2. **Seeking Wisdom** – Solomon – 1 Kings 3: 11 - 14
3. **Brokenness** – David – Isaiah 66:2
4. \_\_\_\_\_ 1 Thessalonians 5: 16 – 18, Colossians 3: 17

“Aware and appreciative of a benefit; grateful” - Thefreedictionary. com

**“We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of Heaven. We have been preserved, these many years, in peace and prosperity. We have grown in numbers, wealth and power, as no other nation has ever grown. But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace, and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us; and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us!**

**It behooves us then, to humble ourselves before the offended Power, to confess our national sins, and to pray for clemency and forgiveness.”**

- Abraham Lincoln, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 1863, Proclamation Appointing a National Fast Day

### **Luke 17: 12 – 19 ... What’s our tendency as humans?**

5. Romans 1: 21- What was the reason for their stinking thinking? \_\_\_\_\_

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6. Reasons to be grateful:

A. James 1: 17 \_\_\_\_\_

B. Hebrews 12: 28 \_\_\_\_\_

C. Romans 8: 28 \_\_\_\_\_

D. Acts 16: 25 - 26 \_\_\_\_\_

E. Lamentations 3: 22 – 23 \_\_\_\_\_

F. 2 Corinthians 2: 14 \_\_\_\_\_

G. Philippians 4: 6 – 8 \_\_\_\_\_

H. 2 Corinthians 4: 17 – How are grace and gratitude connected? \_\_\_\_\_

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I. Psalm 50: 23 \_\_\_\_\_

J. Psalm 119:62 \_\_\_\_\_

K. 2 Chronicles 20: 21 – 22 \_\_\_\_\_

7. How does a focus of thanksgiving change our outlook on life? \_\_\_\_\_

8. What do you have to be thankful for this Thanksgiving? \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Colossians 2: 7**