

Daniel – Part III
“Daniel and Favor”
Reference: **Daniel 1:17-21**
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Principles from this text:

ONE...Societal culture **pressures** us to conform.

TWO...God blesses personal **boundaries**.

THREE...Finding _____ is something desirable.
verses seventeen through **twenty** (see screen)
verse nine (see screen)
Reference: **I Samuel 2:26; Luke 2:52** (see screen)

The phrase “*to find favor*” means that someone would find us _____, i.e. someone would accept us, admire us, respect us and even bless us in some sense.

To find favor with God means that God has laid His hand on us and intends to do something _____ in, through and for us.
Reference: **Acts 11:19-21** (see screen)

Question: How does someone earn favor with both God and man?

Answer: Someone earns favor with both God and man through a consistent commitment to being both _____ (love) and _____.

Reference: **Proverbs 3:3-4; Psalm 85:10, 86:15, 89:14**
(see screen)

Merriam Webster defines truth as:

One...the real facts about something, i.e. _____.
Two...the quality or state of being consistent with facts, i.e. _____.

Definition: Truth is that which is _____ with God Himself.

God is called the God of truth (**Deuteronomy 32:4** and **Isaiah 65:16**). God is called the Lord God of truth (**Psalm 31:5**). God requires we worship Him in truth (**John 4:24**). Jesus, as the God man, said, “I am the truth” (**John 14:6**). God’s Word itself is truth (**John 17:17**). The Holy Spirit is called the Spirit of truth (**John 16:13**). **I John 5:20** reads (see screen).

Definition: Mercy means _____ shown especially to an offender. It applies to someone that is lenient and compassionate. Another definition we often use is that mercy is when we **aren’t given** what we actually _____.

Reference: **I Corinthians 13:6** (see screen)

Idiomatic antithesis describes the letter of the law verses the spirit of the law.

Definition: The letter of the law is the **strict** and **literal** _____ of the words of the law.

Definition: The spirit of the law is not just the words of the law but also the _____ of those that created that law.

References: **Mark 3:1-6; Mark 2:27; Matthew 12:1-2**

Reference: **Proverbs 16:7** (see screen)