

## The Blessing of Favour: 2

### The Glory Will Be Seen Upon Us

#### **Isaiah 60.1-7**

“Arise, shine; For your light has come! And the glory of the LORD is risen upon you. For behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, And deep darkness the people; But the LORD will arise over you, And His glory will be seen upon you.” (vs1-2)

Glory – *kabod* (Hbrw), can mean ‘splendour, copiousness or majesty’. But in it’s rawest form means ‘**heavy** or **weighty**’.

On the negative it carries the thought of ‘**burdensome**’

On the positive it carries the thought of ‘**numerous** or **rich**’

The best one-word definition to encompass everything that *kabod* means is **GREAT**

#### **Manifestations of glory**

In the Scriptures the Glory was more than often manifest in some tangible form. It was visible, it could be seen. The verse in Isaiah tells us that the ‘**glory will be seen upon you**’

**Exodus 24.15-18** – the sight of the glory was like a consuming fire and a cloud.

The people followed this cloud wherever it went, it led them in the way they were to go.

**Exodus 40.33-38** – when the construction of the Tabernacle was complete, the cloud covered it and the glory of God filled the place. The presence of this glory was so strong that Moses was unable to enter the Tabernacle.

**2 Chronicles 5.11-14** – The same thing happened in Solomon’s time, after he had built the Temple. At the opening dedication ceremony the cloud came down and the glory of God filled the place, this time preventing the priests from ministering.

#### **Exodus 33.8 – 34.7**

(v8-10) Whenever Moses went in to the Tabernacle the cloud came down and stood at the door. When the people saw the cloud they rose up and worshipped.

Reverence should always accompany manifestations of the glory – **when the glory is manifest it is not a time to talk, move about, clock-watch or do anything else other than worship.** We see it in the New Testament when people came into contact with the glory they went away praising God

Show me Your glory – Moses asks that God would reveal to him His glory.

In response to his request God says that He would pass before him and show him His goodness. (vs19)

God said that His glory would pass before him (vs22)

The glory cloud descended on Mt Sinai (vs5)

The Lord passed before Moses as He promised (vs6)

### **John 2. 1-11**

At this wedding in Cana of Galilee, the hosts had the embarrassing situation that they ran out of wine. Jesus turned plain water into the most wonderful quality wine. His goodness and miraculous power was being manifest.

Verse 11 tells us that through this miracle Jesus manifested His glory, and His disciples believed in Him.

### **John 1.14**

“And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and **we beheld His glory**, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.”

We beheld His glory – one translation says ‘we actually saw His glory’.  
His glory – was the manifestation of the fullness of grace (His love, favour, loving-kindness) and the fullness of truth.

“The Word became a human being and lived here with us. We saw his true glory, the glory of the only Son of the Father. **From him all the kindness and all the truth of God have come down to us**” (CEV)

His glory will be seen upon you – there is a time and place where we can physically see the manifestations of the glory

### **John 11.40**

“Jesus said to her [*Martha*], “Did I not say to you that if you would believe you would see the glory of God?””

This promise was made to Martha as she was going through a harrowing situation. Her brother Lazarus had died and was buried in the tomb – he had been there 4 days.

The goodness of God was manifest that day and Lazarus came out of the tomb – alive! Jesus said that she would see the glory [and goodness] of God if she believed. She did – she believed, and she saw the manifestation.

Everywhere Jesus went he was manifesting the glory of God, through his words of teaching, towards those He met that were in need – bodily healing, forgiveness, deliverance from devils clutches.

### **Acts 10.38**

“How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him”

The goodness of God was being manifest through Jesus.  
God was with Him – the glory was upon Him

**John 14.21** – Jesus promised to manifest Himself to them that love Him and keep His commandments

“The person who has My commands and keeps them is the one who [*really*] loves Me; and whoever [*really*] loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I [*too*] will love him and will show (reveal, manifest) Myself to him. [*I will let Myself be clearly seen by him and make Myself real to him*]” (Amp)