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Justification:

to be declared righteous

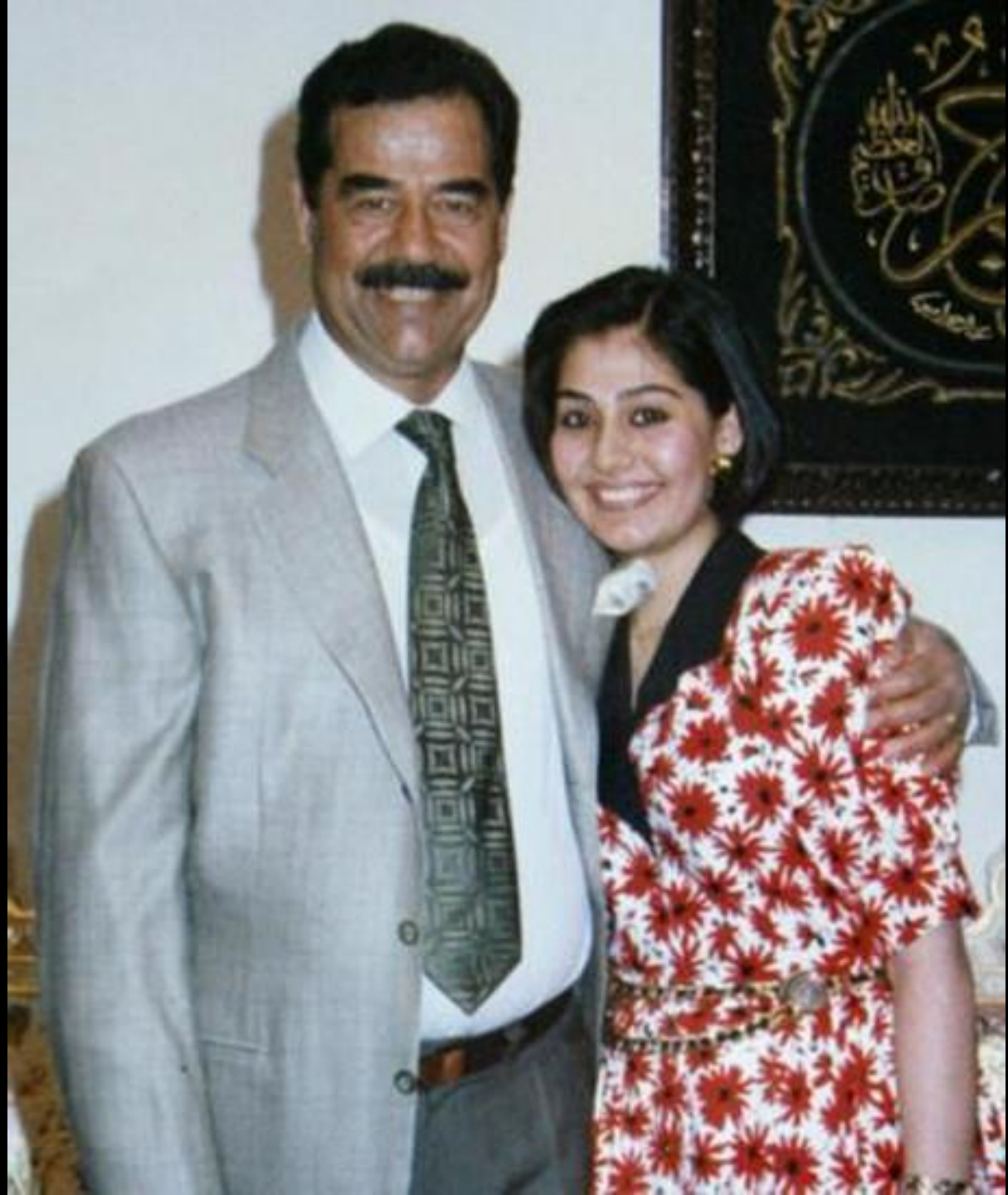
Grace:

undeserved favor

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1. *Luke 17:26 Just as it was in the days of Noah, so will it be in the days of the Son of Man. 27 They were eating and drinking and marrying and being given in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all.*

Enemies of God live normal lives



2. *Matt 7:21 “Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. 22 Many will say to Me in that day, ‘Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?’ 23 And then I will declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!’*

**Enemies of God may claim to be
friends of God**

3. *Luke 13: 19 And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry."*

20 "But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?'

21 "This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God."

Enemies of God are selfish & shortsighted

4. *Matt 5:25 “Settle matters quickly with your adversary who is taking you to court. Do it while you are still together on the way, or your adversary may hand you over to the judge, and the judge may hand you over to the officer, and you may be thrown into prison. 26 Truly I tell you, you will not get out until you have paid the last penny.*

**Enemies of God are on
borrowed time**

5. *James 4:4 Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God*

Enemies of God are friends of worldly lusts

6.

Matt. 12:30 Whoever is not with me is against me, and whoever does not gather with me scatters.

Enemies of God are friends of Satan

7.

Revelation 20:15 And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

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