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FRESH START

Devotionals



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Dear friend, "Fresh start" devotional is a transformative resource designed to provide readers with daily inspiration and guidance as they start or continue in their walk with God. The devotional is specifically crafted to help individuals establish a personal connection with the Holy Spirit by providing fresh insights into well-known biblical passages. By actively engaging the devotional, readers will discover renewed hope and a revitalized perspective on their relationship with God.

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Get ready for an awesome moment of refreshing.



BRINGING TO REMEMBRANCE GOD'S FAITHFULNESS



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You may say to yourself, "My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me." But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant, which he swore to your ancestors, as it is today. Deut 8: 17 – 18 (NIV)

Has God ever done something so wonderful to you that you could literally hug him? Was it so good you had a big grin and you kept stumbling on your words because of excitement? Yeah, God is awesome like that. Did you know that every day you wake up, every chance you get to read your devotion, walk to the bathroom, finish an assignment and eat good food? These moments are as great as the big grin reaction event as well. Honestly, it is quite interesting that when we want to remember God's faithfulness we think of a specific 'big moment when we had a big 'testimony'. Meanwhile, God's consistency in ensuring our body systems is awake when they should be and are asleep when they should be is a measure of His faithfulness to us. Imagine if a man was in charge of waking everybody up in all the different time zones. Such a man will probably burn out, or take a 'me' day. What do you think would happen?

The Bible passage above tells us of how our hard work, however important, is made fruitful by the grace of God. There are instances where we even subconsciously just assume God would do it without remembering to ask Him and He does. God consistently cares for us and remains faithful to us always in every circumstance. Sometimes we forget, especially when things are going great. We begin to attribute our successes to how hard we read the course material, or how much we prepared. Meanwhile, He kept us on the journey to school or class and ensured our health was right to take the exams.

A lack of gratitude delays our blessings. When we forget to acknowledge God's goodness, or get too familiar, we start to take God's faithfulness for granted; however, when our requests aren't forthcoming as fast as we have imagined, we become sour, or think negatively. In our low moments, it is important to remember God's past faithfulness. This impacts our state of mind which would impact the response from our environment. Positive energy means a positive response; it helps us develop a positive perspective on situations, and gratitude is a catalyst for positivity.

Do take a moment today to thank God for being faithful.

Have a blessed day!

Prayer

Lord Jesus, I apologize for all the times that I got too familiar with your love that I forgot to be grateful. **Deut 8:10**

Heavenly Father, I am using this moment to show a heartfelt appreciation for your faithfulness to me and my family, friends and neighbors. **Deut 7:9**

Confessions

I declare that I see reasons to be grateful in every situation I am in.

I declare that the Spirit of God dwells in my heart continuously, constantly reminding me of God's love in my life and my surroundings.

Daily Bible Reading: Acts 3



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WALKING IN GOD'S PROMISES

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Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go. Joshua 1:9 (NKJV)

Life often presents us with challenges and uncertainties, but God's promises stand firm. That's why as a believer it is mandatory for us to know God for ourselves and know His words.

Just as God assured Joshua of His constant presence and guidance, He assures us too. Our strength and courage come not from our own abilities, but from God Himself.

As we walk in His promises, we can face any situation with confidence, knowing that He is with us every step of the way. **Deuteronomy 31:6**

God's promises are sure but most times our ignorance of God's word and fear is what hinders us from obtaining those promises. So, stand strong, do not waiver for every word that has proceeded out of God's mouth cannot go back to Him void. It must accomplish that which it was sent to. And also know that God is not a man that He should lie, nor the son of man that He should repent. Whatsoever God has promised you; He will fulfill it.

Prayer Points

- Lord, help me trust your unwavering promises through life's challenges. **Psalms 9:10**
- Grant me the courage to stand firm in faith, wholly relying on your word **Proverbs 3:5-6**


Confession

From now, I walk in God's promises, wholly trusting Him and declaring His faithfulness **Proverbs 3:5-6**

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HOW THANKSGIVING CHANGES THE NEGATIVE



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He made known His ways unto Moses, His acts unto the children of Israel. Psalms 103:7(KJV)

In God's doing there are two basic things to consider as shown in our text;
The Ways of God: This talks about the science, technology and wisdom of God.

The Acts of God: These are the events where we see God. Biblical scenarios of the barren getting fruitful, people getting financial increase and many more. A lot of people are familiar with the acts of God only, but don't understand the technology and wisdom behind what they see and celebrate.

In considering the ways and acts of God, we will be looking at three things.

- Spiritual intelligence of what thanksgiving is
- How thanksgiving works
- How thanksgiving changes everything

We need to understand that thanksgiving creates a pathway for our desires, it amplifies productivity. Thanksgiving enhances focus and growth in the life of the believer. It makes the unknown familiar and once the unknown becomes familiar, the pathway will evolve.

As humans, we attract our mental equivalent per time which is why we must make conscious efforts to give thanks and for every progress in our lives. Once it can enter into your mind, it can enter into your life. It is in the place of thanksgiving, you become familiar with what you desire. The human heart does not produce what you desire but what you sow, so what you have today is a function of the heart which is why thanksgiving is very important.

The place of thanksgiving is the point where the heart is renewed, so if anything must change in our lives, it begins from within. **Psalms 67:5(KJV) Let the people praise thee O God; let all the people praise thee.**

Thanksgiving makes you resourceful, which is why it is difficult to see a thanksgiver depressed. Thanksgiving changes the state of your heart and conditions the heart for productivity, that is why thanksgiving should be a lifestyle.

Once you are grateful, you will have many things to be grateful for and the more you are thankful, the more your tank will be full.

Prayer

Father, I am grateful for your ways and acts over my life, # family and career.
Psalms 103:7

Father, thank you for the increase and blessings we enjoy in my family, church and nation. Psalms 67:6

Confession

I will always shout and sing for your marvellous works O Lord. Psalms 66:1,3
I enjoy the daily loads of benefits of God in my life. Psalms 68:19

Daily Bible Reading: Acts 5



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RELEASING THE CHAINS



Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. Ephesians 4:32 (NKJV)

Forgiveness is a gift we receive from God, and it's a gift we can extend to others. When we forgive, we release the chains of bitterness and resentment that bind us. Just as God forgave us through Christ, we are called to be kind and tenderhearted, forgiving one another. In forgiveness, we find freedom and healing.

Unforgiveness hinders us from receiving forgiveness from God, **Luke 11:4 "Forgive us for the ways we have wronged you, just as we also forgive those who have wronged us"**. As we show mercy and forgive those who have wronged us, we also open ourselves up to receive God's mercy and forgiveness.

Forgiveness is not only an act of grace but also a pathway to freedom. When we bear with one another and forgive, God has forgiven us and we break the chains of resentment and strife. In forgiveness, we experience the liberating power of Christ's love.

One of the greatest bondages with which the devil has held many people down is unforgiveness. He makes us focus on the wrong done to us and makes us believe that they are unforgivable. While the person who wronged you might be living their best life, every time you remember the wrong when you see the person or someone mentions their name, there is this anger and hatred that rises up within you. Yes, that person that betrayed you, also the pain and deep hurt from the wrong someone did which is still so vivid in your memory. That's why you have the Holy Spirit, ask him for grace to forgive and let go. **(Colossians 3:13)**

Say this **CONFESSION** out loud, "I (say your name) forgive (say the name of the person/s that wronged you) for (say what was done).

To some who made this confession, I'm sure tears just rolled down your cheeks, that's a sign that you are liberated. As you keep making this confession, you would not just experience freedom from the bondage of unforgiveness but, you would also experience peace. This will give you access to God's mercy and forgiveness.

Have a blessed day and know that you are loved!

Prayer Point

Father, grant me the grace to forgive and embrace freedom in Christ **(Ephesians 4:32)**

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PRAYING THE WILL OF GOD

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Now this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. 1 John 5:14 (NKJV)

Effective prayer is rooted in aligning our requests with God's will. When we pray in alignment with His purpose, we can have confidence that he hears us. Our prayers become a powerful force for positive change, bringing about His perfect plan in our lives and in the world. **1 John 5:14**

One of the questions on the lips of many believers is, "what is God's will, and how do I know God's will?" A will is a legal document that expresses or explains someone's wish. So, God's word (the Bible) is a legal document that express the intent of God's heart, His wishes and plans for us His people. So when next you are confused about what God's will is, concerning any area of your life (health, business/ finance, marriage, children, childbirth etc), go back to His word and find out what it says about that situation.

The Scriptures says we should bring back His word to Him (**Isaiah 55:11**). Praying using the scriptures, is praying according to God's will and bringing back God's word to Him and presenting our strong reasons.

Effective prayer is not about eloquence but about alignment with God's will in prayer. Praying is good, praying in the Holy Ghost is better, but praying Spirit inspired prayers are the best. When you pray Spirit inspired prayers, you are praying according to God's will. (**Romans 8:26**)

Have a blessed day!

Prayer Points

- Empower me lord, to pray scripture-based prayers with conviction and reason (**Isaiah 55:11**)
- Guide me always, to pray not just eloquently, but in alignment with His will. (**Romans 8:26**)



Confession

In my daily life, I align completely with God's will and seek guidance through His word (**1 John 5:14**)

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TRUE WORSHIP



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God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth. John 4:24 (NKJV)

While music is a beautiful expression of worship, true worship goes beyond melodies and lyrics. It engages the heart and spirit in sincerity and truth. Worship is about a personal connection with God, acknowledging His greatness, and surrendering to His will.

One of the most common things we associate with worship is slow music or that the lyrics of the song have to be patterned or structured in a particular way, and if it's not, then we don't tag it as worship.

Let's take a trip back in time, the very first time we ever heard of a song being played to God in the form of music in the bible was after the children of Israelites crossed the red sea and Miriam led the women to sing songs unto God. Let's think about it, from Adam till this point was about 2500 years, no song was recorded but yet we have records of men whom the Bible gave account that they served God. This is to let us know that worship is not just music, but the state of our heart. The scripture says in **Isaiah 29:13 (KJV)** "Wherefore the Lord said, forasmuch as this people draw near me with their mouth, and with their lips to honour me, but have removed their heart far from me, and their fear towards me is taught by the precept of men."

As we can see in the above scripture, worship is first, a thing of the heart and not just music.

Worship is not confined to a place or time; it's a way of life **Romans 12:1**. As we surrender ourselves to God as living sacrifices, our daily actions become an offering of worship. Let every aspect of your life be an act of worship to the One who deserves all praise and glory.

Have a blessed day!

Prayer Points

1. Let our worship be a way of life, honouring God daily. (**Romans 12:1**).
2. Help and guide me to offer every aspect of our lives in worship (**1 Corinthians 10:31**).

Confession

I offer my life as a living sacrifice, I dedicate every aspect as an act of worship to our deserving God.

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WALKING IN LOVE

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Let all that you do be done in love. 1 Corinthians 16:14 (NKJV)

Keeping God's command is a prerequisite to receiving from Him, and God says love is keeping His commandment. But God has done more than require love—He's given you instructions so you can know how to love as He loves. **1 John 5:3**

All you have to do is follow what He says, and you'll be walking in love.

If you've made Jesus Christ the Lord of your life, you've already taken the first step of obedience (**John 14:15**). The love of God has been born within you. But, unless you decide to take steps to develop it, that love will remain hidden within you.

Love is a decision! In fact, it's one of the most important decisions you'll ever make. Here are some ways you can start walking in love today.

1. Decide to forgive.
2. Decide to hold your tongue.
3. Decide to believe the best.
4. Decide to not get offended.

The love line is very narrow. The devil wants to get you off it, so he can take what's yours. Don't let him! Remember, taking offense never comes from God. He says we're to be rooted and grounded in love. So, reject those feelings of offense. Give yourself to that person in love and in prayer. You'll be able to walk right on through that situation without ever stumbling at all. No matter what—stay on the love line!

Have a blessed day!

Prayer Points

·I want to walk in love and keep Your commands faithfully(**1 John 5:3**)
·Empower us to choose forgiveness, love, and avoid offense in interactions.
(**Ephesians 3:17-18**)

Daily Bible Reading: Acts 9

Confession

I declare that I will keep God's commands, knowing that His love is in me. I choose to walk in love daily, forgiving, holding my tongue, believing the best, and refusing offense. God's love is my foundation, and I will navigate every situation with love and prayer. I am rooted and grounded in His love, and I will not stumble.



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RENEWING YOUR SPIRITUAL VITALITY

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But Those Who Hope In The Lord Will Renew Their Strength. They Will Soar On Wings Like Eagles; They Will Run And Not Grow Weary, They Will Walk And Not Be Faint. Isaiah 40:31(NIV)

In our walk with God, there may be times when we feel weary and worn out. But, when we place our hope in the Lord, He renews our strength. We can soar above challenges, run with endurance, and walk with unwavering faith. Our vitality is restored as we wait upon him.

During the seasons when we feel like we are lost, weary and worn out, practicing the following will help renew our vitality:

1. Take Some Days Off, Go For A Retreat: Whenever we as humans are weak and stressed out we take some days off to rest and get our energy back. So also, spiritually, when you feel weary and worn out, take some days off and spend quality time with the Holy Spirit. **Isaiah 40:29**

2. Spend Time With Fellow Believers: If you read the book of Acts and study the early apostles, one thing you would notice is that they drew strength from each other because, they fellowshiped together. Whenever they got out of prison or got to a city, they always look out for other believers to fellowship with. Having been in prison may have significant psychological effects on a person, receiving beating for the sake of the gospel may have been devastating. Also, having been on a long journey one would need to rest and be refreshed. Being around fellow believers gave them the strength they needed to keep on going. **Acts 2:42**

Have a blessed day!

Prayer point

·Lord, in our weariness, we place our hope in You for renewal and strength. **Isaiah 40:31**



Confession

In weariness, I place my hope in the Lord for renewed strength. His grace enables me to face challenges with unwavering faith.

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TRUSTING GOD IN DIFFICULT TIMES



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Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight. Proverbs 3:5-6 (NKJV)

Trust is vital, especially in challenging times. When we lean on our own understanding, we may become discouraged or overwhelmed. However, when we wholeheartedly trust in the Lord and submit to His guidance, He straightens our paths and leads us through difficulties.

Challenges and difficulty must surely come, and most times these challenges and difficulty are to test our Faith (James 1:2-3). In times like these we need to:

- Spend more time with God and in studying His word **Psalm 119:105**
- Pray with the word of God **1 John 5:14**
- Don't just pray, add praise to it. Thanksgiving is a very powerful tool in times like these. Keep thanking God for the things you are expecting from Him **1 Thessalonians 5:16-18**

Have a blessed day!

Prayer Points

· Father Lord, help us trust in You and submit to Your guidance in the midst of challenges. **Proverbs 3:5-6**


Confession

I trust in the Lord always and I lean not on my understanding. **Proverbs 3:5-6**

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WORRYING ABOUT YOUR CHILDREN? 10 SCRIPTURAL CONFESSIONS THAT BRINGS PEACE

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Are you struggling with keeping your peace when it comes to your children? Or do you find yourself constantly fighting thoughts of fear concerning their spiritual, mental, emotional, physical and social well-being? If so, here are 10 scriptures from the *New Living Translation* (except as noted) and confessions that will bring you peace and help you remember just how loved you and they are by your heavenly Father.

- God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind **2 Timothy 1:7 (KJV).**
Confession: *Father, I thank You that You have not given me nor my children the spirit of fear. Instead, by the blood of Jesus, we have a spirit of power, love and a sound mind.*
- And now, dear brothers and sisters, one final thing. Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise **Philippians 4:8.**
Confession: *Father, I commit to focus on what is true, honorable, right, pure, lovely and admirable about my children. I won't dwell on anything but that which is excellent and worthy of praise where they are concerned.*
- Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. **Philippians 4:6.**
Confession: *God, I trust You and I thank You for all you have done in my children's lives. I refuse to worry about my kids. Instead, I will pray and believe You will take care of them.*
- What shall we say about such wonderful things as these? If God is for us, who can ever be against us? **Romans 8:31**
Confession: *Father, I thank You that, according to Your Word, You are for, not against, my children.*
- The faithful love of the Lord never ends! His mercies never cease. Great is his faithfulness; his mercies begin afresh each morning. **Lamentations 3:22-23**
Confession: *Thank You, Lord, that Your love for my children never ends. Your mercies for them never cease. I know and trust that You are continually faithful to them.*
- We are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago. **Ephesians 2:10**

Confession: *Heavenly Father, thank You that my children are Your masterpieces. They are Your children and I believe You have good things planned for them.*

- Those who live in the shelter of the Most High will find rest in the shadow of the Almighty. This I declare about the Lord: He alone is my refuge, my place of safety; he is my God, and I trust him. For he will rescue you from every trap and protect you from deadly disease. He will cover you with his feathers. He will shelter you with his wings. His faithful promises are your armor and protection. **Psalms 91:1-4**
Confession: *Thank You, Lord, that my children rest in Your shadow. You are their refuge and place of safety. I trust You will rescue them from every trap and protect them spirit, mind and body. I believe this because You are faithful to Your promises.*
- The Lord isn't really being slow about his promise, as some people think. No, he is being patient for your sake. He does not want anyone to be destroyed, but wants everyone to repent. **2 Peter 3:9**
Confession: *Lord, I thank You that are faithful to Your promises concerning my children. I trust that You are drawing them to You*
- I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope". **Jeremiah 29:11**
Confession: *Thank You, God, that You have good plans for my children, plans that give them a future and hope. I praise You for all You do in their lives.*
- I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns. **Philippians 1:6**
Confession: *Father, I praise You for the work You are doing in my children's lives. I trust that You will continue that work until You complete all You desire to do in their lives.*

Begin standing in faith on these scriptures and proclaiming these confessions over your children. Trust God to keep His Word concerning your children, and thank Him for all He is doing in their lives!

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WHY IS MY FAITH NOT WORKING?



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"But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint." Isaiah 40:31 (NKJV)

When we bring our concerns to the Lord again and again, we can grow tired of waiting. We begin to feel like our prayers are falling on deaf ears, often our desire is to take control.

Waiting on God motivates us to look to Him. It casts our eyes rightly to Christ as the source of our faith and the assurance of our salvation. It reminds us that Christ's death and resurrection are the reason we can be filled and empowered by the Holy Spirit.

Trials cause us to persevere by deepening our knowledge of God and relying on Him more intentionally.

One of the key ingredients to receiving from God is the word, "patience." Few Christians realize its importance! You need patience to be an overcomer. Jesus said, "In your patience possess ye your souls" **Luke 21:19**. Some things don't happen overnight, and it takes patience to get there.

Our spoken words during the period of waiting are a show of patience or lack of it. We know of the story of Daniel's waiting in **Daniel 10**. In **verse 12**, the angel that brought his answered prayer told him, "I have come because of your words". **Proverbs 18:20** says "A man's stomach shall be satisfied from the fruit of his mouth".

Stand firm then. Note that the word "stand" is repeated three times. In standing, shed all confidence in man including self, don't be afraid for your weakness to show, so His power can be made perfect **2 Cor 12:8-9**. Continue to stand firm in Christ and live fully for him, trusting in His perfect will despite any present difficulties.

No matter what you're going through, having done the will of God, you need patience to obtain the promise. For your patience allows God to perfect all that concerns the promise. So, relax in Christ, stand, have patience and faith in God, and you will obtain the promise.

Have a blessed day!

Prayer

My Father, My Father, help me to see more clearly how You are at work in my life. Ephesians 1:18 Lord, help me to trust You in the process of your transformation for my life. Jeremiah 29:1

Confession

I am equipped for greatness; hence every delay is a double portion of blessing for my patience.

I shall not be weary in the time of challenges. Psalm 27:13-14

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THE SPIRIT OF FAITH



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Jesus said, Take ye away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead, saith unto him, Lord, by this time he stinketh: for he hath been dead four days. John 11:39 (KJV)

The fact that your prayers were not answered the way you expected does not mean that God has forgotten your prayers.

In **John 11**, the uniqueness of Jesus' relationship with the family of Lazarus and his sisters, Mary and Martha, was elucidated. Jesus loved them and they knew and leaned on to Jesus' love for them. Despite this loving relationship, they called out to Jesus when they needed healing for their sick brother, Lazarus, but Jesus delayed for 2 days (John 11:5-6). Finally, Lazarus died and was buried.

Four days after Lazarus was buried, Jesus shows up and asks that the stone covering the tomb be removed. The stone represents things that hinder you from believing in miracles. It could be hopelessness and despair, would you still believe in that promotion you have been praying for, after the promotion list has come out? Jesus would not raise Lazarus if they would not remove the stone. Jesus could remove the stone, but He would not. He needs your belief to give you your miracle.

The stone could be mindsets. Mary and Martha had conceived in their mind the way Jesus should answer their prayer. They had envisaged that Jesus would heal Lazarus. Are you in a situation where though you know Jesus loves you, you do not see Him come to your rescue the way you envisage? Jesus has a greater glory in store for you as He did in the life of Lazarus.

Naaman had a mindset on how he would get his miracle. A filthy small river Jordan was not in his agenda such that he nearly missed his miracle. Peter was a seasoned fisherman, he knew the waves well. At the sight of the storm, he returned to the knowledge of the waves. The question really is, if the sea was still with no ripples, could he still have walked on the water?

Another, is one's thoughts. The bible says to take no thought saying... **Matt 6:31**. The words we speak start from the heart before it becomes words. Thoughts create pathways that could limit faith and give the devil a place **Eph 4:27**.

Create abundance pathways. Move from "just enough" thinking to "abundant" thinking. When you acknowledge you have, you get more **Matt 13:12**. Identify what is feeding you. For example, think of recession as working for you and not against you.

Please see scriptures to affirm and create a pathway of victory for your mind and develop the mind of Christ. **Job 22:29b; Psalm 68:19; Jeremiah 30:19; Matthew 6:31-33; Psalm 37:26; 3:9; Proverb 11:24**.

Have a blessed day!

Prayer

Lord, open my heart to recognize that all things reflect a facet of God's yearning **Rom 11:36**.

Lord, I thank you that because of Jesus, I have victory over limiting beliefs **Rom 8:37**.

Confession


The abundance of God changes any feelings of being in a rut **John 10:10b**.

The Lord is with me, therefore I overcome every challenge **Jer 1.19**

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THE IMPARTATION OF FAITH

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God gave Jesus to die for our sins, and He raised Him to life, so that we would be made acceptable to God. By faith we have been made acceptable to God. And now, thanks to our Lord Jesus Christ, we have peace with God. Rom 4:25 - 5:1 (CEV)

The resurrection of Jesus from death is proof that the penalty for sin was sufficient and fully accepted by the Father.

People can be put to death for 3 different reasons:

- For their own sins
- As martyrs - for their belief
- Substitutional (in place of another)

Jesus' death was that of a substitutional death since He had no sin of his own to die for. Peter says He DID no sin **1 Peter 2:22**, Paul says He HAD no sin **2 Cor 5:21** and John declares that IN Him is no sin **1 John 3:5**. Spirit, soul, and body, sin could not be found, yet He was punished and died for sin.

In our text today, God gave Jesus to die for our transgressions. This death was first the separation between God the Father and God the Son on the cross. On Jesus, placed all the sins of the world. so, Jesus was separated from the Father and called Him for the first time, God (Elohim – creator God) why have you forsaken me **Mark 15:34**. Jesus was abandoned because of your sin, you can no longer be abandoned.

The law of double jeopardy says that, you cannot be punished twice for the same sin. Jesus already took the punishment for your sin; God can no longer punish you for it. In fact, **Rom 5:1** says we now have peace, no broken relationship, with God because of this. This is the source of our peace and boldness. The enemy can, however, lie to you and deceive you to believe that God is still punishing you for it – that is the roaring of the devil.

Believe and receive this work of Grace by faith. Enter the place of prayer knowing that there is NO BARRIER between you and God. Affirm it to convince your mind, not convince God or even your spirit. As soon as your mind catches on, manifestations in the physical will come very swiftly.

Have a blessed day!

Prayer

Thank you Father God for what Your Son did on the cross. He removed the burden of having to depend on my own efforts to succeed. Christ's finished works have made available to me an amazing life I could never achieve myself **2 Peter 1:2-4**.

Confession

The enemy has no power over me. Sin doesn't give authority or rights to demons to attack or harass me. Jesus has all authority in Heaven and Earth. He has given me this authority. **Col 1:13-14**.

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THE APPLICATION OF FAITH

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The lazy person claims, "There's a lion out there! If I go outside, I might be killed" Prov 22:13 (NLT)

There is and will always be challenges at every stage of life. Abandoning them is not a solution. Let us look at the effective ways of holding on and fighting to the end.

From our text we determine the biblical definition of laziness as seeing problems or challenges and avoiding them.

The bible says the devil goes about LIKE a lion, seeking whom he may devour **1 Peter 5:8**. You see, he only imitates, impersonates the lion. He is not the lion. On the other hand, Jesus is clearly called the Lion of the tribe of Judah **Rev 5:5**. How then is this us? Are we now Jesus? In **1 John 4:17b**, John the beloved says, 'As Jesus is, so are we in this world'. Jesus is still the Lion, so are we right now, in this world. Therefore, we do not turn away from any beast.

How can I hold on against the onslaught of the enemy?

1. The fight is not about you. In **1 Sam 17**, David was sent with supply to the battle front for his brothers. In **verse 29**, David's response to Eliab, his brother, who came against him was 'Is there not a cause?' There is a superior cause beyond you for the challenges you face in life. David saw a greater cause than himself and faced Goliath while Eliab left the greater cause and began to fight with David. See your success as a motivation for your children to succeed. Think of the generational impact.

2. The fight is to advance the Kingdom. David had a heart for the Kingdom of God. He saw the molestation by the words of Goliath as not just against the armies of Israel but against the God of the armies of Israel. So, he went into battle 'that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel' **1 Sam 17:46b**.

Pray for passion for the expansion of the Kingdom. When you see your success over the challenges of life as beyond you and for the kingdom, there's a guarantee of success because it is born of God, it will overcome the world **1 John 5:4**. Think about how you could glorify God in areas such as sex trafficking, child pornography, and prostitution.

How can the earth know Jesus through your business and career?

Have a blessed day!

Prayer

Incline my heart, oh Lord, to your passions and not to selfish gain. Psalm 119:36
Oh Lord of the harvest, thrust me forth as labourer into the field. Matthew 9:38
Lord Jesus, reveal to me your heart for my generation. Ephesians 1:17-19

Confession

In Christ, we have boldness and access with confidence through our faith to God our Father (Ephesians 3:12).
I am confident because Jesus has overcome the world (John 16:33).

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THE GRACE FACTOR 1



And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work: 2 Corinthians 9:8 (KJV)

More than the success and wealth principles, Grace distinguishes people. When everything you know comes to an end, Grace takes over.

Grace is defined as the influence in the life of a man which is reflected in his everyday life giving him the supernatural ability to do exploits. It is the outworking of an inward influence. We have heard it said that grace is an unmerited favor. Is that really the full picture?

Grace is in dimensions. That is why our scripture for today, amongst others, talks about 'all grace'. There's a grace for accomplishments. The grace that qualifies you where and when you are not qualified. Doing the unusual as though it were usual. It is the ability of God in a man that causes him to achieve significant results.

There is a dimension of grace which is indeed unmerited favour. The grace for salvation is totally unmerited. It is freely given. It is solely based on the finished work of Jesus. Not requiring your contribution, only by the gift of faith through grace. God did not even allow the disciples to help Jesus bear the burden of the suffering for salvation by joining Him in prayers. They slept off each time they tried. It is solely God's doing from beginning to the end. No human effort in it.

Another dimension of grace is the grace for living a victorious Christian life every day **Eph 1:7**. It is also a grace that is freely given. This enables us to develop the fruits of the Spirit to live a godly lifestyle on earth. The Grace that teaches us to say 'No' to sin **Titus 1:12**. The way to appropriate the grace for forgiveness is to get the appropriate scriptures and meditate on it.

For example, the bible says we forgive as God in Christ has forgiven us **Ephesians 4:32**. The requirement to manifest this grace for forgiveness is to believe and speak it out of your mouth. As the faith of the new covenant is released by speaking **Rom 10:6**.

Grace delivers excellence. The Holy Spirit is the spirit of excellence. When the Spirit of God was upon King Solomon, he delivered so much excellence and wealth. Wealth is for kingdom influence. Tomorrow we will look at the other dimensions of grace.

Have a blessed day!

Prayer

*Let every day be an opportunity for me to realize how much I need You and how much of Your grace I need.

*Give me the ability to examine myself and live right. Help me Lord to reconcile Your truth with my walk of faith **1 Peter 4:10**.


Confession

***Isaiah 41:10** – My God strengthens me and helps me through the force of His Grace.

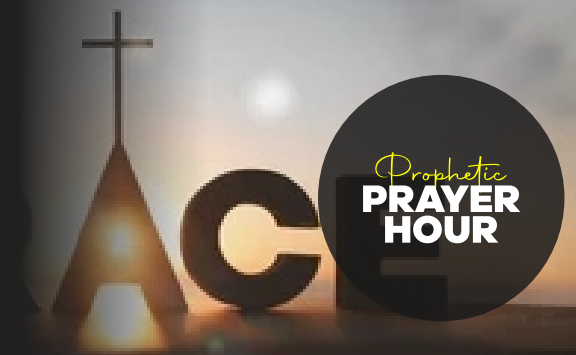
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THE GRACE FACTOR 2



But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you. 1 Peter 5:10, KJV

God is more interested in who you become more than what you want. More than the success and wealth principles, Grace distinguishes people.

Yesterday, we began to talk about the dimensions of grace. We looked at the grace for salvation which is totally freely given. We also saw the grace for living the Christian life which requires our confession.

Today, we look at yet another dimension of grace that requires your participation to come into full manifestation. **Acts 4:33** calls this dimension Great Grace. It was made available to them to fulfill their purpose. The Apostles went forward, and they were backed with great power for great accomplishments. If the Apostles did not teach, there'll be nothing for signs and wonders to confirm (**Acts 14:3**). It is at this dimension of grace they began to manifest what Jesus says, 'Greater works will you do' (**John 14:12**). This required their full participation to accomplish. It is this grace that can be appropriated to fulfil this great prophecy of Jesus.

It is this dimension of Grace that delivers you into the fullness of your calling. This is what the Apostle Paul in **1 Cor 15:10** talks about labouring more abundantly on the grace that was bestowed upon him. In fact, he labours like no one else and has grace like no one else. He talks about grace upon grace which really means grace replacing the used grace. To increase in this grace, you must use up the previous grace. In **2 Pet 3:18**, the Amplified version translates grace as spiritual strength. Strength is only strength when it is used. Every grace given is to bring you to the fullness of your inheritance in Christ.

Various levels of grace are made available to us to bring us into the fullness of the likeness of God. Every time we use the available grace, we increase in grace. A new dimension is opened to us. There is a financial grace, which is best maximized through kingdom influence. Grace produces strength in not just the area that we worked on, but in areas of our weaknesses.

Have a blessed day!

Prayer:

*Heavenly Father, forgive us for the times when we take advantage of your unfailing love. Being complacent, too comfortable with our mediocrity. We fail to strive for the good plans you've laid out for our lives. Please forgive us for cheapening your grace. Renew our gratitude for the sacrifice you made for us (2 Cor 8:9)

Confession:

*The empowering grace of God abounds in every area of my life. I do not waste the grace of God on my life. I maximize God's grace in my life. I do not frustrate the grace of God (Galatians 2:21)

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RECEIVING HELP OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN TOUGH TIMES



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⁸Now the king of Aram was at war with Israel. After conferring with his officers, he said, "I will set up my camp in such and such a place."

⁹The man of God sent word to the king of Israel: "Beware of passing that place, because the Arameans are going down there." ¹⁰So the king of Israel checked on the place indicated by the man of God. Time and again Elisha warned the king, so that he was on his guard in such places.

¹¹This enraged the king of Aram. He summoned his officers and demanded of them, "Tell me! Which of us is on the side of the king of Israel?"

¹²"None of us, my lord the king," said one of his officers, "but Elisha, the prophet who is in Israel, tells the king of Israel the very words you speak in your bedroom." 2 Kings 6:8-12 (NKJV)

As Christians we all face different levels of intensity when it comes to challenges and pain. It is crucial for us to be sensitive to the struggles of others and not trivialize their experiences. The Holy Spirit is our source of help, but if we don't know how to receive it, we may miss out on its transformative power.

Life is filled with tough situations, and it is a natural part of the human process to encounter them. However, as believers, we must remember that God has a purpose in every circumstance. Even when we are going through difficult times, if we hold on to our faith, we will come out with a testimony. The goodness of God does not depend on the outcome of our situations; He is our ever-present help in times of trouble.

The gift of the Holy Spirit is God's help to His children. It contains various gifts such as the word of knowledge, the gift of prophecy, discernment of spirit, and the gift of faith. God helps us by giving us the Holy Spirit, who provides us with these gifts to navigate through challenging situations. There are problems that logic alone cannot solve, but with the Holy Spirit's wisdom and guidance, we can find the solutions we need.

Sometimes, situations in our lives do not change until power moves on our behalf. It takes divine power to change our circumstances, and while we may not always see the power itself, we can witness the results it produces. As Christians, we have the authority to move situations in our lives from lack to abundance, from despair to hope. In **2 Kings 6:8-12**, we see how Elisha was able to advise the king on strategic war plans because of the special knowledge provided by the Holy Spirit.

So, what does the gift of the Holy Spirit do? Firstly, it deepens our conviction in Christ. As mentioned in **1 Corinthians 2:4**, the Holy Spirit enables us to boldly proclaim our stand in Christ. Secondly, the Holy Spirit helps convince others of the power of God. In **1 Corinthians 14:24-25**, we see how the Spirit's manifestation can touch hearts and bring others to a place of belief and surrender.

Have a blessed day!

Prayer:

*Dear Father, let the Holy Spirit's transformative power be evident in my life as I open myself to receive his guidance and gifts. (**Galatians 5:22-23**).

*Dear Lord, open my eyes to the gifts You have bestowed upon me through Your Spirit and help me to use it well. (**Romans 12:6-8**).

Confession:

*I receive the grace to be sensitive to the leading of the spirit and the gifts of the spirit in my life.

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HOW TO OBSERVE GODS PATTERN IN OUR LIVES

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John 5: 2-4 (KJV)

One of the biggest assets of every child of God is hearing the voice of God.

As a Christian, it's important to understand how God speaks to you. Living without knowing the voice of God is like living in a danger zone.

What is the Importance of Recognition?

The way spiritual things work, you must first recognize them, in order to receive them. What does a pattern mean? A pattern is a combination of qualities, and tendencies forming a consistent arrangement.

Why is it Important to Recognize the Patterns of God in Our Lives?

From person to person the pattern of God is different. The pattern of God refers to the method, and the arrangement in which God deals with us, relates with us, intervenes in our life and does miracles.

Observing the pattern of God at work in your life is one of the things you must do as a Christian. When you read about Elijah and Elisha's ministries, you will see that the power of God moved through "Mantles". The mantle was a pattern here, but in Moses' ministry, the power of God did not move through mantles, but through a "Rod".

Why is it Important to Understand Patterns?

- **To avoid frustration:** It's important to understand the pattern of guidance so you can avoid frustration. For some, the way God speaks is through dreams, while for others, it could be through visions. Also, if you don't understand the pattern of God in your life, you will think that there is a delay, meanwhile it is a process. Understanding the patterns of God in your life will help you determine whether or not there is a delay. **(Genesis 50:20 KJV) (John 12:24 KJV)**
- **To avoid missing our visitations:** Recognizing the pattern of God helps us not to miss God's visitation.
- **To be able to initiate it:** Once you understand patterns you can initiate it.

In summary, as a Christian, it's important to understand how God speaks to you. Living without knowing the voice of God is like living in a danger zone.

Whatever you believe God is speaking to you about, pray and worship God about it; if it is what God wants, it grows stronger and stronger; if it is the devil's voice, it grows weaker and weaker.

Have a blessed day!

Prayer

*Father, I pray for clear guidance to be at the right place at the right time **Mathew 2:9-10 (MSG)**

Confession

*I have clear guidance over my goals, vision and for the rest of the year **Isaiah 30:21 (KJV)**

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HOW TO OBSERVE GODS PATTERN IN OUR LIVES (PART 2)

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"Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I would not have you ignorant". This means that if you are ignorant, you will be unable to receive what the Spirit of God is doing. 1st Corinthians 12:1 (KJV)

Now, look at the breakthroughs you have had in your life. They could have been in your career, job, health, marriage or finance. Did you notice that the breakthrough started with pain and discomfort? This is because they are the raw material for the miraculous.

If you understand that your breakthrough started with pain and discomfort, why do you break down? You break down because you have not observed the pattern. **John 12:24 (KJV)**

A) Patterns of Provision:

i. God doesn't multiply nothing; He will multiply what you have, therefore something must be available. **2nd Corinthians 9:10.**

See also the story of the woman that was in debt. Elisha asked her what she had. **2nd King 4:1-7**

B) Patterns of Demonic attack:

i. Ignorance. **1st Corinthians 2:11**

Everywhere there is ignorance, Satan takes advantage of people.

ii. Confusion **James 3:16**

iii. Evil communication **1st Corinthians 15:33.** You start to hear and utter negative things.

iv. Fear. Note: You gravitate towards what you fear, hence you should find a way to sink your fear.

C) Patterns of Breakthrough:

i. Pain and discomfort: When you are going to break through, you will discover that you are in discomfort and pain. God requires that discomfort to push you towards destiny, because if you don't feel it, you won't be pushed. **John 12:24**

ii. Failed pursuit attempts

Here, you'll notice that you experience failed attempts to prosper. Even when you work hard, it doesn't work. You may believe that your efforts are futile, but you are getting closer to it.

What you need to do is to go into thanksgiving. Remember **Mark 4:28 (KJV)**, "...first the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear"

iii. New insights will come to you: You'll have new perspectives on things that you didn't have before. It could be through conversations etc.

D) Patterns of Marriage:

i) Random acts of kindness: From Rebecca to Ruth. God used their kindness to mysteriously bring them their spouse. God led them to strategic relationships that was essential to their marriage. For example, Rebecca's feeding of the servant and animal linked her to her husband, Isaac.

E) Patterns of Guidance:

i. God's guidance comes with peace.

ii. Guidance comes to those that recognize it. To become familiar with the voice of God, pay attention to the voice that interprets scriptures to you.

iii. Emotions, fear, desire, lust can distort guidance. You may never hear what God is saying when your emotions are intense about something.

How to have guidance:

1) Pay attention to gateways. It could be through a conversation with a friend and through that conversation, God could speak to you.

It's important to ask yourself if you're able to deduce the workings of God and recognize/understand the patterns of Grace in my life?

Prayer:

*My Father, My Father! I receive clarity to recognize the patterns of God in my life. **Ephesians 1:17-18**

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Confessions:

*I receive capacity to discern the leading of the holy spirit in my life.

*I continue to walk in obedience to the will of God to enable me bond intimately with Christ through the help of the spirit.



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PRIESTHOOD MENTALITY



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And have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they are ruling on the earth. Revelation 5:10 (BBE)

Every believer is a priest regardless of his or her full-time occupation.

God ordained the children of Israel as a nation of priests as early as immediately they left Egypt (**Ex 19:6**). In our text today, John the Beloved in Revelation confidently declared we have conquered as priests. Let us look at how to keep our mentality in the reality of our Priesthood.

Priests are always in God's presence. Priests enjoy continued fellowship with God. Looking at the priests of the Old Testament, they were the ones who had encounters with God. They had access to the most holy place, but Praise God, Jesus by His shed blood has torn the veil from top to bottom. We can now freely come to Him, and fellowship without condemnation.

Priests are set apart. They are God's special people chosen to show forth His Glory. Remember the three disciples, Peter, James and John, they were the closest to Jesus while He was on earth. They were and still are the only humans on earth who ever saw Jesus in His full glory.

How then do we acquire this priesthood mindset? Like the donkey that Jesus rode on into Jerusalem in **Luke 19:30**, Jesus required a donkey on which no burden has been laid. The first thing is not to be encumbered by the cares of this world. God must be your main agenda. The Bible says, seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness (**Matt 6:33**).

Secondly, get loose. Are you already entangled by so much burden and care? Get loose. If you are not loose, you cannot be used by God. God will not struggle with man (**Gen 6:3**). The altar is the place where desires die. Priesthood is about the dictates of God (**1 Pet 2:9**). Priests are made for God. Our will is nothing compared to His will.

Thirdly, submit it to Jesus. You do not pray out the flesh, you submit it (**Gal 5:17**). Do not make provisions to accommodate the desires of the flesh. Leave it all to Jesus.

The priesthood mindset will enable you kill the appetite of the flesh. The Lord, Himself, is the inheritance of the priest. When everything else fails, the inheritance of the priest never fails. In the highs and in the lows, your inheritance is assured.

Have a blessed day!

Prayer

Lord, cause me to stay in consciousness of my priesthood, honouring you daily in my walk. Taking advantage of You, my Inheritance (**Eph 5:15**)

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Conclusion

I am of a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, and a peculiar people. I am a whole new creation. I came from the King! (**1 Peter 2:9**).



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DEVELOPING INTIMACY WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

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Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. Psalms 51:11(NIV)

The Holy Spirit isn't just a distant concept – He's God Himself, eager to walk alongside you every step of the way. We're talking about tapping into a supernatural connection that will revolutionize your faith and empower you in unimaginable ways. So, buckle up and get ready to unlock the secrets of intimacy with the Holy Spirit! In this devotional, we'll discover the amazing things the Holy Spirit does in our lives, how the Bible describes Him, and some practical ways we can grow closer to Him.

The Purpose of the Holy Spirit:

The Holy Spirit reveals your identity as a child of God. **Romans 8:15 (NIV)** - "The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to son-ship. And by Him, we cry, 'Abba, Father.'" The Holy Spirit claims ownership of you, protecting and guaranteeing your future. **2 Corinthians 1:22 (NIV)** - "set his seal of ownership on us, and put his Spirit in our hearts as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come."

Different Descriptions of the Holy Spirit:

1. **The Holy Spirit is like water** – refreshing, lifegiving, and quenching. **Isaiah 44:3 (NIV)** - "For I will pour water on the thirsty land, and streams on the dry ground; I will pour out my Spirit on your offspring, and my blessing on your descendants." **John 7:38 (NIV)** - "Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them." Water refreshes: When you feel drained, the Holy Spirit can bring refreshment and rejuvenation, preventing you from becoming overwhelmed by life's pressures. Water gives life and growth: Like a tree planted by streams of water, you can bear fruit and prosper in all you do. Water quenches thirst: The Holy Spirit fills your deepest longings, satisfying the yearnings of your soul.

2. **The Holy Spirit is like rain** – pouring out blessings and empowering you. **Joel 2:23, 28 (NIV)** - "Be glad, people of Zion, rejoice in the Lord your God, for he has given you the autumn rains because he is faithful. He sends you abundant showers, both autumn and spring rains, as before." "And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions."

Practical Steps for Intimacy with the Holy Spirit:

Cultivate a conscious awareness of God's presence. Become mindful of God in every aspect of your life, so you can recognize His voice and listen attentively when He speaks to you. Let go of mindsets hindering intimacy with the Holy Spirit. Identify and release thoughts and mindsets that distance you from the Holy Spirit. The more you yield to the flesh, the further you drift from His presence. As you embark on this journey of developing intimacy with the Holy Spirit, remember that He is your confidant, comforter, and guide. He longs to refresh, empower, and transform your life. Open your heart to the Holy Spirit, and allow Him to lead you into a deeper relationship with God. May you experience the abundant blessings and fulfillment that come from walking intimately with the Holy Spirit.

Prayer:

Holy Spirit, I come before you with a humble heart, desiring a deeper intimacy with you. Fill me with your presence, guide my steps, and help me to know you more intimately. I surrender myself to your will and ask for the grace to be sensitive to your leading in my life. In Jesus' name.

Confessions:

I confess that I am aware of God's presence in my life. I seek Him in every moment, listening for His voice and following His guidance. **Psalm 16:11 (NIV)** – "You make known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand."

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THE STILL SMALL VOICE



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Jesus spoke to the people once more and said, "I am the light of the world. If you follow me, you won't have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life." John 8:12(NLT)

As teenagers, we often find ourselves faced with numerous decisions and choices that shape our lives. Some choices may seem straightforward, while others leave us unsure of which path to take. In times like these, we need guidance – a light to lead us on the right path. Thankfully, in God's Word, we discover the secret to hearing His voice and gaining clarity in our decision-making process.

These are steps to hearing God's voice:

Step 1: The Light Within You. The first step to hearing the voice of God is to recognize that the light of life dwells within you. Just as Jesus declared in **John 8:12**, He is the light of the world, and if you follow Him, you won't have to walk in darkness. This means that as believers, the Holy Spirit resides within us, providing us with the illumination we need to navigate life's challenges. **Jeremiah 10:23** reminds us that our steps are directed by the Lord, so we can trust Him to guide us in the right direction.

Step 2: Believing in the Voice of God To effectively hear the voice of God, we must believe that we can indeed hear Him. In **Job 32:8** (English Standard Version), we learn that it is the Spirit of God that gives us understanding. God speaks to us through the Spirit, and although it may not always be an audible voice, there is a witness within us – a prompting, a conviction, a peace, or a sense of assurance – that lets us know we are aligned with God's will.

We should seek God's face diligently concerning the decisions and actions we wish to take. By doing so, we open ourselves up to His guidance and avoid being swayed solely by our emotions or circumstances (**Matthew 6:23, Acts 10:27**). You don't have to figure everything out on your own. God is here for you, ready to guide you every step of the way.

When you seek God and trust Him, it's like having a bright light inside you. This light will show you the right path and keep you from stumbling in the dark. Prayer is your way of talking to God, and when you believe in His voice, it's like having a friend right beside you, giving you advice. So keep your head up, keep seeking God, and walk confidently knowing that He's got a fantastic plan just for you!

Have a blessed day!

Confession


Heavenly Father, I confess that You are the light of the world, and I believe that Your light dwells within me. As I follow You, I know I won't have to walk in darkness because I have the light of life guiding me.

Psalms 119:105 (NIV) - "Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path."

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DISCERNING THE VOICE OF GOD



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And the LORD called yet again, Samuel. And Samuel arose and went to Eli, and said, here am I; for thou didst call me. And he answered, I called not, my son; lie down again.

Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, neither was the word of the LORD yet revealed unto him. And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli, and said, here am I; for thou didst call me. And Eli perceived that the LORD had called the child.

*Therefore, Eli said unto Samuel, Go, lie down: and it shall be, if he call thee, that thou shalt say, Speak, LORD; for thy servant heareth. So, Samuel went and lay down in his place. And the LORD came, and stood, and called as at other times, Samuel, Samuel. Then Samuel answered, Speak; for thy servant heareth.
(1st Samuel 3:6 – 10)*

One of the most important and yet illusive concepts in Christianity is the ability to discern God's voice. Many Christians today are very confused when it comes to discerning God's voice. Because God is spiritual and rarely communicates with us through our physical senses, most of our interactions with God is based on our ability to discern Him spiritually. This makes it difficult for us who have always relied on our physical senses to discern our environment. **(John 10:27)**

We have a God that wants to be known and has made it very easy for us to discern His voice. There is a saying that goes "start from the known to the unknown", God has done just that. Since we rely primarily on our physical senses, God has put everything thing that we need to know about him in his Word (The Bible). God expects us to start by reading His word and becoming familiar with his person and character, so that when He begins to speak, we will begin to understand how he speaks, the content of what He will say and what He will never say. We can be sure that God will never say anything that contradicts His word, so the more you are familiar with the Word, the more you will be able to discern God's Voice. **(2 Timothy 3:16-17)**

There are other ways to discern God's voice, and that is fellowship with people, people who are now more experienced in discerning God's voice. Notice in the opening scripture that Eli taught Samuel how to recognize and respond to the voice of God, without Eli, Samuel probably would have missed the opportunity to recognize God's voice and to respond to it.

God wants to speak to us and we must be very confident in this. But God's voice must be discerned spiritually and this can be done by studying his Word and in fellowship with other believers.

Have a blessed day!

Prayer

Father, I thank you for the privilege to discern your voice. **(Matthew 13:11)**

Father, I thank you because as you speak to me I discern your voice accurately and precisely. **(Isaiah 30:21)**

Confession



It's my right to hear the voice of God and I discern His Voice today. **(John 10:27)**

The voice of a stranger I will never follow I am well able to discern God's voice. **(John 10:5)**

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THE INNER WITNESS



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"For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God." Romans 8:14 (NIV)

Do you ever wonder what sets some people apart, making them shine above others?

It's about understanding your position in God and allowing His life to flow through you. You see, when you have the Holy Spirit in whatever you do, it becomes extraordinary.

The Holy Spirit empowers you, giving you the boldness to rise above challenges. You know, just like how God breathed life into Adam, you need the breath of the Holy Spirit to truly live. Without His power, life can be a struggle. But fear not, for the Holy Spirit brings uncommon joy into your life!

So, how do you develop this amazing joy?

Firstly, spend time in fellowship with the Holy Spirit. **1 Corinthians 1:9 (NIV)** - "God will do this, for He is faithful to do what He says, and He has invited you into partnership with His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord." reminds us that God created us to have fellowship with Him. He longs to be close to you, just like how He walked with Adam and Eve in the garden.

When you engage in personal fellowship with God, you'll discover the purpose of your existence and experience His joy filling your heart. Secondly, be committed to God. Give your whole heart to Him and surrender your plans and desires to His will. As you trust in Him, you'll find an unshakable joy that goes beyond circumstances.

Lastly, have a covenant with the Holy Spirit. That means making a commitment to walk with Him, to rely on His guidance, and to follow His leading in your life. When you have a covenant with the Holy Spirit, you have an unbreakable bond with the One who brings true joy.

Remember, life can sometimes be overwhelming, but with the Holy Spirit's power within you, you'll have an uncommon joy that sets you apart. Surround yourself with people who encourage your faith and stay committed to God. Let the Holy Spirit be your constant companion, and you'll discover a joy that goes beyond anything you've experienced before.

Have a blessed day!

Prayer:

Holy Spirit, Grant me the discernment to recognize your promptings in my hearts. Help me cultivate a deeper intimate relationship with You In Jesus' name.

Daily Bible Reading: Acts 25

Confession:

"I confess that I am a child of God, led by the Spirit. The Holy Spirit empowers me with boldness and uncommon joy. I choose to spend time in fellowship with God, seeking His presence and guidance in my life. Isaiah 30:21 - "Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, "This is the way; walk in it."



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OVERCOMING LOW ESTEEM



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But now I'm afraid that just as Eve was deceived by the serpent's clever lies, your thoughts may be corrupted and you may lose your single-hearted devotion and pure love for Christ" 2nd Corinthians 11:3 (TPT)

Without any doubt, many of us have struggled with, or are still battling with, self-doubt or low self-esteem. It is one of the biggest attacks on Christians. Some of the issues that affect your Christianity could include self-doubt and low self-esteem. Hence you are unable to fulfil your potential. The first example of self-doubt in the bible occurred when Eve was convinced to eat the apple from the tree and she was assured by the devil that if she did, "...you will be like God" Genesis 3:5 (NIV). He made her doubt herself when she was already God-like.

What does self-doubt look like?

1. When you have self-doubt, one of the things you notice is that you procrastinate a lot because you're afraid. A question to ask yourself: "What are you meant to do this year that you have pushed because of self-doubt?"
2. Self-doubt does not allow the authentic you to come out, that is, it prevents the genuine you from emerging; instead, it keeps limiting you. A question to ask yourself: "Are you in a race to either look like somebody else or talk like somebody else?"
3. When you have self-doubt, you always pretend to be who you are not in order for people to accept you.
4. When you have self-doubt, you are constantly hiding who you are because you don't want people to see who you are.

What lie is the devil telling you?

Remember, the lies corrupt the thoughts and the thought makes you lose your passion. The problem is that you believe a lie, which is that you must behave in a specific way in order to be perfect or do well.

What you need to do is not become another person. What you need to do is become the best version of yourself. In conclusion, it is important to move from a place of self-doubt to self-belief. The simple change could be you just believing in yourself.

Have a blessed day!

Prayer

*Father, I pray for faith for me to pursue my dreams

Daily Bible Reading: Acts 26

Confession

*I declare today that I have received strength to overcome self-doubt

Philippians 4:13

*I receive help to become the best version of myself **Ephesians 2:10**



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THE RIGHT MINDSET



"I am giving all this land, as far as you can see, to you and your descendants as a permanent possession." Romans 15:30-32 (NLT)

God has so much in store for you and His plan for you is that of peace, but how big you can think and how far you can see will determine how much you'll achieve.

Growing up as kids, some of us probably didn't live in so much abundance, and have had to watch parents who worked extra hard to provide daily needs. For some others, you probably didn't have that experience but have had your investment disappear into thin air.

Now these experiences and beliefs have built a mindset that it's impossible to make this much money or investments are the worst thing to do, making you hold back from chasing opportunities that will change your life and lead you to financial breakthrough.

We all dream of stepping into the next level of our financial life, building multimillion dollar businesses and getting everything nice, including that Ferrari.

But, it's important to know that your thinking can put a limit on your faith and it's impossible to become a financial giant with a mentality that's so small. The kind of pond you have will determine the kind of fish you'll catch - the kind of mentality you have will determine the kind of money you'll attract.

What thinking is breaking the flow of God's abundance in your life?

Romans 12:2 says, "...be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind". So, it's time to reprogramme your mind, step out of the pond and step into the Ocean.

Get into God's word.

God changes your financial fortune by changing your thinking, and he does it through His word.

His word is active and powerful (Heb 4:12), study it prayerfully to identify the negative mentalities holding you back. As you do this, light will begin to shine in the corners of your life, revelations will begin to unfold in your spirit and wisdom will be made available to you.

Have a blessed day!

Prayer:

*My Father, shine your light on my path and reveal to me negative mentalities holding me back from breaking forth. **Psalm 119 vs 105.**

*My father, I rebuke every negative thought that has been stopping from achieving greatness. **James 4 vs 7.**

Confession:

I have the mind of Christ hence; I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. **Philippians 4 vs 13.**

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BOOSTING YOUR FINANCIAL CAPACITY



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Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health even as thy soul prospereth. 3 John: 2 KJV

Financial change starts with a change of mindset as seen in our above text. Everything in life evolves around a belief system and so if your finances are going to change, then your mindset has to change. Your thinking about what you do, how you do it and the way you see money generally is very important.

Do you see yourself as blessed or as a hustler? Your financial mindset will determine your behaviour, your behaviour will determine your action and your action will determine your result. One major way God changes our belief system is through revelation and it is also important to note that your association determines your language. When your life wants to change, God brings you relationships that raise your standard.

Relationships that stretch us are good for our growth and development rather than the ones that just accommodate us. When God wants to change us, He brings us to places and people that challenges our thinking and language. He also begins to throw financial weight at us by suggesting to us financial projects and assignments. When God throws weight at you, He wants to build your financial muscle and you don't build financial muscle by talking but by carrying weight.

You must also be careful not to do what God is calling you to do in the flesh, that is using man's effort to carry God's weight which will in turn produce an Ishmael. Ishmael is a typology of man's initiative to produce what The Spirit wants to do. Isaac is when The Spirit works through you to produce what God wants to do. That is why God allows people to disappoint you so that you can walk through The Spirit to develop muscles. The weight God puts on you might be initially inconvenient till you've mastered it and then He adds another weight to stretch you because you are the light of the world and if you are the light of the world, you will have global problems that you will need the spiritual muscles you've built over time to bring the global solutions.

The question is what mindset is God challenging you to change that you're holding onto? Where is God calling you to grow the capacity that fear is holding you back from? We must never forget the place of Grace in this and Grace comes as a weight or demand because it determines the engine that drives everything.

Have a blessed day!

Prayer

*My Father, bring to me relationships that raise my standard In Jesus Name. 2Chronicles 20:20

*In the name of Jesus, I receive the grace to grow outside my comfort zones this year. 1 Corinthians 15:10

Confession

*I am the light of the world, so I bring global solutions to problems of humanity John 8:12.

*I conquer every fear that has held me back from being who God says I am. Romans 8:1.

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HOW TO SHARE THE GOSPEL



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Proverb 25:25 (KJV)

As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is Good news from a far country.

Have you ever been in desperate need of a cup of cold water to quench your thirst?

How did you feel after you quenched your thirst?

That feeling of refreshment and satisfaction you feel is the same feeling men get when you lead them to Christ.

The gospel is good news, and the gospel quenches the thirst of men and their endless search for satisfaction.

The good news you have is what the people need to hear. Don't deprive people of quenching their thirst because you think they act uninterested or show they don't believe in God's existence.

Go out of your way to share the good news because unlike physical thirst, spiritually thirsty people do not realize they are and so you have to keep pushing until they drink and realize how thirsty they are. Do all it takes to share the good news. Carry tracts around with you, be friendly, and willing to share the burden of those around you.

Invite a colleague from work to church, go out of your way to help that mother babysit her child. Pay for that person's transport fare. And above all, be spiritually sensitive to the nudging of the SPIRIT.

Like Phillip with the Ethiopian Eunuch, an honest question can open up a conversation.

Have a blessed day!

Prayer

Father, I thank you for the privilege to share the good news. Please embolden me to go the extra mile and ensure that everyone I come across quench their thirst in Jesus name, Amen


Daily Bible Reading: Romans 1

Confession

Father, I thank you that I have water that quenches men's thirst.



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OVERCOMING THE FEAR OF FAILURE



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"But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him." 1 Corinthians 2:9 (KJV)

Our inheritance is fully prepared, paid for by the finished work and delivered to us. (2 Peter 1:3) One of God's greatest blessings is putting these prepared things in our hearts by the Holy Spirit. God puts these inheritances (ideas) as flash thoughts.

Fear casts shadow over our lives and prevents us from living the full abundant life God intends for us. It limits potential (**Judges 6:13**); incapacitates and causes bondage (**Romans 8:15**); fear involves torment (**1 John 4:18**). Some of the causes of fear are not believing God is as good as He says He is, not relying on God's wisdom, and trying to understand these God-given ideas before we step out.

How to Overcome Fear

The good news is that God knows about our nature to fear and He, in His grace and mercy, made a way for us. Seek God (**Psalms 34:4**) – set your mind and heart on God and His nature. Realize God is with you. He never leaves you nor forsakes you.

Feed faith (**Rom 10:17**) – Feeding faith starves fear. Faith is fed by hearing the word according to the context of this scripture (**Rom 10:14-17**). Listen to the proclamation of the word of God to build faith.

Fear the Lord (**Proverbs 1:7**) – Wisdom is gained through the reverence of the Lord and provides a channel into the mind of Christ. We see God's perspective and can obey quickly.

God's love (**1 John 4:18**) – The perfect love is the love of God and it casts out ALL fears. Be filled with the love of God. The love of God is shed in our hearts by the Holy Spirit (**Rom 5:5**).

To overcome fear, we must develop an intimate relationship with the Holy Spirit. We are the sheep of His pasture and His sheep knows His voice, the voice of the stranger it will not heed (**John 10:5**). Believe this and exercise the righteousness of faith which speaks.

Have a blessed day!

Prayer:

*My father, my father, I thank you for your continuous presence in my life.

Isaiah 41:10

*My father, My Father, every spirit of fear is rendered powerless in my life today and forever. I receive boldness to act on your word. **2 Timothy 1:7**


Confession

*The Lord is my Shepherd. I shall not fear for He will defend me. Because the Lord is my shield and exceeding great reward, the spirit of fear is far from me. **Gen 15:1**

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THE BENEFIT OF SERVICE

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"And he sat down, and called the twelve, and saith unto them, If any man desires to be first, the same shall be last of all, and servant of all." (Mark 9:35)

God measures greatness by the ability to serve. Every time God wants us to serve, He's not really thinking about Himself because if He wants to get the job done, He can easily use angels. But when He calls a man to serve, He's thinking about the man.

God uses service to expand us. Every time God wants to expand a man, He calls Him to serve. God wanted to expand Moses, so He sent him to Pharaoh. Perhaps a demand to lead or evangelize has been placed upon you - you must see it as God's call to expand you.

Service expands your capacity.

In **Matthew 4:19**, Jesus said, "Come, follow me and I will make you fishers of men." This verse opens our eyes to see that there's something about serving and following that expands us from fishing for fish to becoming fishers of men - your capacity changes.

We all have potential, but what turns our potential into reality is service. There are things you'll never learn on your own and potentials you'll never know you have till you start serving. We see how Joshua continually waited on Moses as an assistant/servant until his capacity was expanded and he took over leading the people of Israel from Moses.

Another reason why God calls us to serve is because service turns your pain into power. Whether you're born again or not, pain is a constant in life because we live in a fallen world. God doesn't promise that we'll never have pain, instead, He says He'll give us comfort in our pain and turn our pain into a message. **2 Corinthians 1:3-4**.

How does God do this?

He depends on your service. If you can serve Him faithfully and use the pain you have gone through to serve/help others, He'll turn your mess into a message, your misery into ministry.

Service can fuel your success. It's a seed that carries words for the future. Hebrew 6:10 says, For God is not unjust to forget your work and labor of love which you have shown toward His name, in that you have ministered to the saints, and do minister.

When it comes to service, it's possible not to be consistent because we can get weary. God understands, which is why He tells us in **1 Corinthians 15:58**, to be steadfast because our labour will not be in vain.

Have a blessed day!

Prayer:

*Dear Lord, help me not to be weary of well-doing. Help me stay steadfast in service. (1 Corinthians 15:58)

*Dear Lord, take away every spirit of pride from me. I stay humble and serve in God's kingdom without wavering.

Confession:

*The things of God are attractive to me. I choose to serve wholeheartedly, with a cheerful heart.

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