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“.... Morning by morning he awakens me and opens my understanding to his will. The Sovereign Lord has spoken to me, and I have listened...”

**- Isaiah 50:4-5 (NLT)**

## INTRODUCTION



This unique devotional is birthed by the inspiration of the Spirit of God, with the aim of awakening you to God's purposes and realities for your life. Awake Daily Devotional will encourage you and help establish a Bible study routine, making it easier to remain consistent in studying God's Word. It will enhance your spiritual growth, build your faith, deepen your understanding of Scripture, and enrich your Christian living.

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## **Prayer For You**

As you read this devotional, I pray you experience the incredible hope and joy that come from God. May you walk in divine alignment, fulfill your purpose in Christ, and bear fruitful seeds for God's glory, in Jesus' name. Amen!

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**BE PERSISTENT IN PRAYER**  


Wednesday, April 1, 2026

*“One day Jesus told his disciples a story to show that they should always pray and never give up.”*

— **Luke 18:1 (NLT)**

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**J**esus once told His disciples a story to teach them something very important about prayer: **always pray and never give up**. He knew that people often become discouraged when they pray for something and don't see an immediate answer. Waiting can be difficult, and sometimes, it feels like our prayers are not being heard. But Jesus wanted His followers to understand that persistence in prayer matters.

Being persistent means refusing to quit. It means continuing to trust God even when things take longer than expected. Prayer is not just about asking once and then giving up when nothing seems to happen. Instead, it is about coming to God with faith again and again, knowing that He hears us and cares about our needs.

The Bible also encourages this kind of perseverance in **Galatians 6:9**: *“Let us not grow weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.”* Sometimes, the answer to our prayers requires patience. God works in His perfect timing, and what may feel like a delay to us could actually be part of His plan.



Jesus explained persistence in prayer in a very practical way in **Matthew 7:7–8**: “Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you.” Notice the progression in these words: ask, seek, and knock. First, we **ask**. This is when we bring our request to God in prayer. Then we **seek**, which means we pursue God with greater focus and trust. Finally, we **knock**, which shows determination and persistence.

Each step reflects a greater level of faith and commitment. Jesus was teaching that when answers do not come immediately, we should not stop praying. Instead, we should continue to seek God and trust Him until the door opens.

Persistent prayer does more than bring answers; it also strengthens our faith and deepens our relationship with God. It reminds us that He is always listening and that He cares about every detail of our lives. So, when you pray, don't give up too quickly. Keep asking, keep seeking, and keep knocking. Trust that God is working, even when you cannot yet see the results.

PRAYER / DECLARATION

Dear Father, thank You for teaching me to remain faithful in prayer. I do not grow discouraged or lose heart when answers take time. I trust that You hear me at all times and that You are working all things according to Your perfect plan. in Jesus' Name. Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                                 | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Matthew 7:7–8 ESV; Galatians 6:9 ESV; Luke 18:1 | Deut 29-30               |

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**BUILDING A HEALTHY  
MARRIAGE**  


Thursday, April 2, 2026

*“Therefore take heed to your spirit, and let none deal treacherously against the wife of his youth... therefore take heed to your spirit, that ye deal not treacherously.”*  
**-Malachi 2:15– 16 (KJV)**

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**M**arriage is one of God's most beautiful designs. It was created not only for companionship, but also to reflect unity, faithfulness, and God's glory. A healthy marriage does not happen by accident; it is built intentionally when both husband and wife honor God and remain committed to one another.

In Malachi, God gives a serious warning about dealing “treacherously” with the spouse of one's youth. This refers to betrayal, unfaithfulness, or breaking the sacred covenant of marriage. Marriage is beyond a contract between two people; it is a covenant made before God. Because of this, God desires faithfulness, loyalty, and long-term commitment between husband and wife.

From the very beginning, God established marriage as a union where two people become one. **Genesis 2:24** reminds us: *“Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.”*

When two people marry, they become one flesh. This means

that the relationship should be treated with care, love, and respect. Just as we would not intentionally harm our own body, we should not do things that harm our spouse or damage the marriage.

Every marriage will surely face challenges. Disagreements, misunderstandings, and hardships will come. But God calls couples to work through those moments with grace, patience, forgiveness, and prayer. Instead of giving up when difficulties arise, couples should seek God's wisdom and strength to rebuild and restore their relationship.

A healthy marriage grows when both partners remember their vows, nurture their love, and keep God at the center of their home. When marriage is built on faithfulness and commitment, it becomes a powerful testimony of God's love and a blessing for future generations.

Ask yourself these questions and be honest to your answers - Am I honoring my spouse with my words, actions, and attitudes? Is God truly at the center of our marriage? What is one way I can strengthen my marriage today?

**PRAYER/DECLARATION**

Heavenly Father, thank You for the gift of marriage. Teach me to honor and to treat my spouse with love, respect, and faithfulness. Teach us to forgive, to communicate with grace, and to keep You at the center of our relationship. Amen!

| FURTHER STUDIES                                   | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Hebrew 13:4; Proverbs 2:16- 17; Ephesians 5:31-32 | Deut 31-32               |

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**TIANITY IS MORE  
A RELIGION**



Friday, April 3, 2026

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Religion typically emphasizes humanity's effort to reach God through works, rituals, or personal discipline. The gospel, however, reveals a different reality: God reaching down to humanity through Jesus Christ. Instead of striving to earn acceptance, believers receive new life by grace. Christianity begins not with human effort but with faith in what Christ has already accomplished. When you believe, God comes to dwell in you through the Holy Spirit. This indwelling presence transforms everything.

Our opening Scripture declares, “*Christ in you, the hope of glory.*” This is the foundation of the Christian life. God is not distant or detached; He lives within His people. Every believer is the temple of the Holy Spirit, meaning God has chosen to make

His home in them. This truth changes the way we see ourselves and our walk with Him. We are not trying to please God from the outside; we are living by His power on the inside.

Because He lives in us, our obedience flows from love rather than obligation. Our righteousness originates in identity, not performance. Christianity is not behavior modification but heart transformation. It is not outward conformity but inward renewal. As His Spirit works in us, He shapes our desires, renews our minds, and strengthens our character. What once seemed difficult becomes possible through His enabling grace.

When Christ lives in you, His nature is expressed through you. His love guides your relationships, His wisdom directs your decisions, and His strength sustains you in challenges. You are not alone in your journey; His presence empowers you daily. Serving God becomes a joyful response to His life within you rather than a burden of religious duty.

Christianity, therefore, is more than a religion. It is divine life imparted to the human spirit. It is fellowship with the Father and communion with the Holy Spirit. It is Christ alive and active in you, revealing His glory through your life each day.

**PRAYER/DECLARATION**

Dear Father, I thank You that my faith is in You and Your living presence is within me. Let Your love, wisdom, and power be expressed through my life, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                                             | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Romans 8:11 NKJ; 1 Corinthians 6:19–20 NKJ; John 15:4–5 NLT | Deut 33-34; Luk 7        |

## CONFIDENCE IN THE ANOINTING

Saturday, April 4, 2026

*“For 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*

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**F**ear, timidity, and cowardice do not come from God. The holy Spirit you received is not weak, he is not hesitant, or unsure. The Holy Spirit, the Anointing within you, is the Spirit of power, love, and a sound mind. That means boldness is your inheritance.

Confidence in the anointing is the deep assurance that the Holy Spirit living in you is genuine, powerful, and sufficient. You are not trying to get an anointing; you have already received Him. As **1 John 2:27** reminds us, *“the anointing abides in you and teaches you”*. This means you can trust His guidance, rely on His wisdom, and stand firm in spiritual understanding.

When you are confident in the anointing, you stop shrinking back. You stop doubting whether God can use you. Then You begin to act in faith because you know God is with you and in you. **Acts 1:8** declares, *“You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you.”* That power is not theoretical; it is practical, and it is a present reality.

This confidence also produces peace. Even when Challenges arise, you are not shaken. **Romans 8:28** assures us that *“in all*

*things God works for the good of those who love Him, who are called according to His purpose.”* Because the anointing is in you, you can persevere with courage, knowing God is actively working on your behalf. Walk into every situation aware that you carry divine enablement. You are not alone, and you are not inadequate.

Declare boldly today: I do not walk in fear. I walk in power, love, and a sound mind. The anointing in me is real and sufficient. I am bold because God's Spirit lives in me.

**PRAYER / DECLARATION**

Father, thank You for the Holy Spirit who lives in me. I reject fear and timidity. I embrace the power, love, and soundness of mind You have given me. I'm strengthened by the Holy Ghost; I am confident in the anointing; and I walk boldly in faith every day. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                      | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 John 2:27; Acts 1:8; Hebrews 10:35 | Josh 1-3                 |

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**DON'T BE A  
WANDERER**  


Sunday, April 5, 2026

*“And Cain went out from the presence of the Lord, and dwelt in the land of Nod, on the east of Eden.”*  
**- Genesis 4:16**

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**A**dam had two sons, Cain and Abel. Due to jealousy and anger, Cain killed his brother. Because of this sin, God judged him and declared that he would become “a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth” (**Genesis 4:12**). Afterward, the Bible says “Cain went out from the presence of the Lord and settled in the land of Nod, east of Eden.”

Interestingly, the word “Nod” means “wandering,” “exile,” or “fugitive.” It described exactly what Cain's life had become. Adam and Eve had already been driven out of the Garden, but Cain moved even farther away. This shows what happens when someone continues moving away from God instead of toward Him. Cain's wandering wasn't just about location; it was about relationship. The real tragedy was that he left the presence of the Lord. From that point on, his life became one of separation from God; a civilization and lifestyle without God.

In many ways, this still speaks to you today. A person can be busy, successful, and moving through life, yet still feel lost on the inside. Without God's presence and guidance, life can begin to feel like wandering: moving but not really knowing where



you're going. That's why the knowledge of God's Word is so important. **Hosea 4:6** says, *“My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge”*. Without God's word and the Holy Spirit guiding you, it's easy to drift through life making decisions based only on feelings, circumstances, or personal desires.

But God never intended for you to live like a wanderer. His Word brings light and direction. The psalmist said, *“Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path”* (**Psalms 119:105**). When God's Word guides your life, you're no longer wandering; you're walking with purpose.

So, don't drift away from God like Cain did. Abide in Him. Let His Word shape your thinking and guide your steps. When you walk with God, your life gains direction and fulfillment. Don't be a wanderer. Walk with God.

**PRAYER / DECLARATION**

Dear Father, thank you for the light of your Word that guides my life. I will not drift away from your presence. Your Word directs my steps and gives me wisdom for every decision. I walk in your word and live by it, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                                | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Genesis 4:12–16; Psalm 119:105; Proverbs 3:5–6 | Josh 4-6; Luk 8          |

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## FAITH IN GOD'S TIMING



Monday, April 6, 2026

*"Now Jesus was telling the disciples a parable to make the point that at all times they ought to pray and not give up and lose heart."*

— **Luke 18:1 (AMP)**

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If you carefully observe the last part of our theme scripture, *"not give up and lose heart"*, Jesus understood something about human nature: we easily become discouraged when things don't happen as quickly as we expect. When prayers seem unanswered or when the answers appear delayed, it's easy to feel like time is running out.

Many believers have faced moments like this. You pray, you believe, and yet the situation doesn't change immediately. During those times, faith in God's timing becomes very important. Faith in God's timing means trusting that God has a perfect plan and that everything in our lives happens according to His wisdom. Even when we don't understand the delay, we can trust that God sees the bigger picture. His timing may not match our expectations, but it is always right.

The Bible reminds us in **Ecclesiastes 3:1**, *"To everything, there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven."* This means life moves in seasons. Just as nature has its proper times (planting, growing, and harvesting), God also has appointed times for the things that happen in our lives.

Sometimes, what feels like a delay is actually preparation. God may be shaping our character, strengthening our faith, or even arranging circumstances that we cannot yet see.

Another reminder is **2 Peter 3:8**: *“With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day.”* God is not limited by human time. What seems slow to us is never late in God's plan. Faith requires surrender. It means letting go of our own timelines and trusting God's wisdom instead. When we do this, we find peace even while waiting.

**Romans 8:28** gives us a strong assurance: *“And we know that God works all things together for the good of those who love Him, who are called according to His purpose.”* No matter what you are going through right now, God is able to turn it around for your good. So, don't allow discouragement to take over your heart. Keep trusting Him. As long as you love God, walk in His purpose, and continue doing what is right, you can be confident that He is working behind the scenes. In His perfect time, everything will come together for your good.

PRAYER / DECLARATION

Dear Father, thank You for helping me trust Your timing. I refuse to become discouraged or lose heart. I believe that You are working all things together for my good. As I walk in love, faith, and obedience, Your perfect plan for my life unfolds in Jesus' Name. Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                               | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Ecclesiastes 3:1; Romans 8:28;<br>2 Peter 3:8 | Josh 7                   |

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## GOD'S DESIGN FOR MARRIAGE

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Tuesday, April 7, 2026

*"Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh."*  
– **Genesis 2:24 (KJV)**

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**M**arriage begins with God. Long before culture shaped traditions, before society created formal ceremonies, God Himself established marriage. From the very beginning, it was never meant to be merely a social arrangement or a convenience. Marriage is a sacred union, carefully designed by God to reflect His wisdom, love, and purpose for human relationships.

The word "cleave" carries deep meaning. It means to cling, adhere firmly, and become closely joined. It is a picture of intimacy, loyalty, and lasting commitment. Marriage is not intended to be casual, unstable, or temporary. When a husband and wife cleave to each other, they are committing to walk together through life's joys and challenges, sharing purpose, dreams, responsibilities, and faith.

The phrase "one flesh" goes far beyond physical intimacy. It points to complete unity: emotional, spiritual, relational, and practical. Marriage is meant to be a partnership where two individuals come together as one. Husbands and wives are called to share their lives fully: hopes, burdens, challenges, successes, and spiritual growth. They are no longer separate

entities but a united team, moving together in God's plan.

When couples understand marriage from God's perspective, challenges are no longer reasons to separate but opportunities to grow stronger together. Just as the body seeks healing when injured, marriage is designed to move toward restoration and unity, not division and resentment. Difficult seasons can become moments of greater intimacy and love when God is at the center. Jesus confirmed this divine design in **Matthew 19:6**: *“What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.”* Healthy marriages are built when both spouses continually return to God's original plan, allowing His Word to guide their decisions, conversations, and hearts.

Marriage is not a legal contract or social expectation; it is a covenant. It thrives when both partners cling to each other and cling to God. When a couple follows His design, they experience the strength, joy, and purpose God intended from the very beginning.

PRAYER / DECLARATION

Lord, thank You for the gift of marriage and Your perfect design for it. Help me to cleave to my spouse with love, patience, and commitment. We will honor You in every aspect of our relationship, face challenges with grace, and grow together as one flesh. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                                    | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Genesis 2:18–25; Matthew 19:4–6; Ephesians 5:22–33 | Josh 8-9                 |

**GOD'S PLAN FOR THE  
FAMILY**

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Wednesday, April 8, 2026

*"Therefore shall a man leave his father and his  
mother, and shall cleave unto his wife:  
and they shall be one flesh."*

– **Genesis 2:24**

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In the days of Middle Eastern royalty, accumulating wives and concubines was common. Kings and rulers believed that multiple marriages would bring them influence, wealth, and security. Yet, this was never God's ideal for family life. David, a man after God's own heart, experienced the consequences firsthand. Though his many marriages gave him power and influence, they also brought strife, jealousy, rivalry, and even murder into his household. Polygamy, while culturally accepted, disrupted the harmony of his family and caused pain that echoed for generations.

Today, some people still try to water down God's Word and justify embarking on polygamy. They seek cultural acceptance instead of divine alignment. God's plan is simple and perfect: one man and one wife. If polygamy were His design, God would have formed more than one wife for Adam. The unity and intimacy intended for marriage can only thrive under the one-flesh principle, where husband and wife commit fully to each other under God.

The first recorded case of polygamy was in Genesis 4:19 when Lamech, a descendant of Cain, took two wives. Lamech's

actions highlight a departure from God's original design for family. In the city of Nod, Cain established a civilization that operated apart from God's guidance. It is no surprise that Lamech continued a lifestyle outside God's intended pattern. When humans reject God's plan, they often experience confusion, conflict, and a breakdown of family values.

God's design for marriage is not restrictive; it is protective. It ensures stability, peace, and mutual support within the home. When families adhere to His blueprint (one man, one wife), they reflect His love and wisdom in society. This is why Christians are called to honor God's plan, preserve their households, and guard their marriages against cultural compromises.

Stay committed to God's plan. Walk in His Word. Protect your family. Avoid the pitfalls of imitation and the desire to conform to the world's standards. One man, one wife, united in faith and love, is the foundation of a Godly home. Departing from this plan invites unnecessary strife and sorrow.

**PRAYER / DECLARATION**

Father, thank You for Your plan for my family. I will follow Your Word and preserve the unity, love, and peace of my home. I refuse to be swayed by worldly standards. The Lord rules and reigns in my home In Jesus' Name, Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                                  | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Genesis 2:24; Genesis 4:19;<br>1 Corinthians 7:2 | Josh 10; Luk 9           |

3 GRACE TO RECOVER ALL 8

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Thursday, April 9, 2026

*“And David recovered all...”*  
— **1 Samuel 30:18**

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**I**n **1 Samuel 30**, David returned to Ziklag to find the city burned and everything taken. It was a devastating moment. The men who once celebrated him now wept and even spoke of stoning him. But the Bible says, *“David encouraged himself in the Lord his God.”*

Before recovery came strengthening. Before restoration came revelation. David inquired of the Lord, and God gave him a powerful assurance: *“Pursue: for thou shalt surely overtake them, and without fail recover all” (1 Samuel 30:8)*. Notice the certainty: surely overtake and without fail recover all. This was not a possibility; it was a guarantee backed by divine instruction.

**2 Peter 3:18** says, *“But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.”* We are admonished to grow in grace. Grace multiplies through the knowledge of revelation. When you grow in grace, you step into greater dimensions of restoration. The same grace that sustained you last season is able to restore all to you at a multiplied level.

Sometimes, loss can make you feel discouraged. But when you turn to the Lord in intimate knowledge (what the Greek calls



*epignosis*), your strength rises and your capacity expands. Recovery is not only about getting things back; it is about coming back stronger, wiser, and increased.

The Bible declares in **Joel 2:25**, “*I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten.*” This means God's restoration is thorough, abundant and undeniable. When grace is multiplied in your life: Your strength is renewed, your influence increases, your opportunities are restored, and your testimony becomes visible to all.

Like David, you will recover all. Do not stay in yesterday's grace. There is multiplied grace available for restoration. Seek the Lord. Meditate on His Word. Let the revelation of knowledge increase in you, and pursue your objectives boldly. A glorious outcome is assured. Hallelujah!

### PRAYER / DECLARATION

Dear Father, thank You because You are the God of complete restoration. I receive multiplied grace to pursue, overtake, and recover all that belongs to me. I grow in grace and in the knowledge of revelation. Nothing shall be missing, nothing broken, nothing lacking in my life. My restoration is evident and undeniable, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                                 | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 Samuel 30:1–18; Joel 2:25–27;<br>2 Peter 3:18 | Josh 11-13               |

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**GROWING IN THE  
ANOINTING**  


Friday, April 10, 2026

*“But the anointing which you have received of Him abides in you... and just as it has taught you, you shall abide in Him” - 1 John 2:27*

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**T**he anointing is not something to chase; it is the Holy Spirit dwelling in you. The moment you received Him, you were anointed. Growth in the anointing is not about gaining more of the Spirit; it is about learning to recognize, trust, and flow in the power already within you. It is a process of increasing sensitivity, maturity, and yielding to His leading.

Jesus said, *“Abide in Me, and I in you”* (**John 15:4**). Abiding is the foundation of growth. Like a branch depends on the vine to bear fruit, you cannot operate fully in the anointing if you are disconnected from Christ. Reading, meditating, and applying God's Word sharpens your spiritual perception. Colossians 3:16 encourages us to let the Word dwell in us richly, because the Word and the Spirit work together, guiding, teaching, and empowering us.

Secondly, Prayer builds your inner strength and activates the anointing. **Jude 1:20** tells us to *“build ourselves up by praying in the Holy Spirit.”* Spirit-led prayer sharpens your discernment, strengthens your faith, and deepens your relationship with God.

Learn to yield to the Holy Spirit. This unlocks the flow of the anointing. **Acts 5:32** says, *“the Spirit is given to those who obey*

God”. Every act of obedience increases your capacity to function in His power. Neglecting His guidance dulls sensitivity; while faithful response amplifies it.

Consecration preserves effectiveness. This is why **2 Timothy 2:21** teaches *that “a cleansed vessel becomes fit for the Master’s use”*. Holiness doesn’t produce the anointing, but it ensures God’s Spirit can move unhindered. Finally, exercise your gifts. Romans 12:6 urges us to use our abilities according to God’s grace. Step out in faith, serve, minister, and pray boldly. The more you act in alignment with God’s calling, the more the anointing strengthens and flows through you. Growth in the anointing is not by might, but by His Spirit. As you abide, yield, and exercise your gifts of the spirit, you are assured of lasting impacts.

**PRAYER / DECLARATION**

Father, thank You for the anointing within me. Continue to teach me to abide, yield , and grow in sensitivity to Your Spirit. Your anointing in me is strengthened daily, empowering me to fulfill my divine assignment. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                        | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| John 15:4–7; Jude 1:20; 2 Timothy 2:21 | Josh 14-16               |

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## INCREASE IN GRACE



Saturday, April 11, 2026

*“Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.” - John 14:12 KJV*

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**M**any believers search for a “double portion anointing,” imagining it to be an extra measure of God's power that enables them to accomplish more. Yet, this idea often comes from a misunderstanding of Scripture. When **Elisha** asked **Elijah** for a double portion (2 Kings 2:9), he wasn't asking for a second Holy Spirit. He was asking for an increased grace to continue and expand the prophetic ministry. It was about responsibility and continuation, not duplication of the Spirit.

The “law of the double portion” in **Deuteronomy 21:17** refers to inheritance rights, where the eldest son received twice the material share. That principle concerns family inheritance, not spiritual empowerment. The anointing is the manifested presence and power of the Holy Spirit in a believer's life. There is no “double Holy Spirit.” There is one Spirit, given fully.

Jesus clarified this truth. In **John 3:34**, we are told that the Spirit is given without measure. That means there is no partial supply from God's side. The limitation is never in His giving; it is in our growth, yieldedness, and understanding. Furthermore, **John**

**1:16** declares, *“Of His fullness have all we received, and grace for grace.”* This is continuous supply: grace upon grace, increase upon increase.

If your desire is to accomplish more for the Kingdom, the answer is not chasing a “double portion.” The answer is growth. Grow in grace. Grow in revelation. Grow in faithfulness. As you mature in the Word and in obedience, the capacity of the anointing in you becomes more evident and more effective.

Jesus already settled the matter in John 14:12. Every believer carries the divine enablement to do the works of Christ (and even greater works) because He has gone to the Father and sent the Spirit. The key is not receiving something new, but walking boldly and yielding to what you already have.

Stop searching for what you think is missing. Embrace the fullness already given. As you grow in grace, your impact increases, your influence expands, and your effectiveness multiplies. The anointing you have is complete, sufficient, and powerful enough to change your world.

**PRAYER/DECLARATION**

Father, thank You for the fullness of Your Spirit in me. I embrace the grace already supplied to me in Christ. I grow in revelation, faithfulness, and effectiveness. Through your Spirit without measure, I accomplish greater works for Your glory, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                                 | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| John 3:34 ESV; John 1:16 ESV;<br>John 14:12 ESV | Josh 17-18; Luk 10       |

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**REFRESH YOUR MEMORY  
WITH THE WORD**  


Sunday, April 12, 2026

*“Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like.” - James 1:23–24*

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**H**ave you ever looked in a mirror, noticed something that needed attention, and then walked away without fixing it? James says that's exactly what it's like when we hear God's Word but don't act on it. The Word shows us who we are: where we need to grow, what we need to change, and who God says we are. But if we don't respond, we could slowly forget. Not just the instruction, but our true identity.

The Apostle Peter understood this human tendency to forget. In 2 Peter 1:12–13, he wrote that he would continually remind believers of truths they already knew, refreshing their memory so they would remain firmly established. Spiritual maturity requires repetition. God's Word must be rehearsed, revisited, and reapplied so that it shapes our thinking and anchors our identity. Without reminders, we might drift.

When you forget God's word, it could lead to neglect, your faith can weaken. You may start compromising in small ways. But when we consistently return to Scripture (reading it, meditating on it, and declaring it), we realign ourselves with the Word. Throughout the Bible, God encouraged His people to create reminders, like memorial stones and written records, so they

would never forget His faithfulness.

Refreshing your memory with the Word is simply choosing to come back again and again to what God has said. It's allowing His word to correct you, comfort you, and strengthen you daily. Don't just hear the Word or study it. Hold on to it. Let it shape your thoughts, guide your decisions, and remind you who you are in Christ.

**PRAYER / DECLARATION**

Father, thank You for speaking to me through Your Word. I declare the Holy Spirit Helps me not to forget what You show me. He Refreshes my heart daily with Your truth, keeping me grounded, focused, and faithful. God's Word shapes who I am and how I live. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                                     | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2 Peter 1:12–13; 1 Corinthians 11:24–25; Joshua 4:7 | Josh 19-21               |

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## SERVE GOD WHOLEHEARTEDLY



Monday, April 13, 2026

*“But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.”*

**- John 4:23 KJV**

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**J**esus' words reveal the true nature of worship; it is spiritual, sincere, and established in the truth of God's Word. Worship is beyond an outward routine or religious performance; it is a heartfelt response to God that flows from a transformed spirit. The Gospel is not just a formality; it is a living reality that changes the heart and shapes the life. True worship engages the whole person (spirit, soul, and body) and aligns us with the truth found in Christ.

In the Old Testament, after the Assyrians captured Israel, the Assyrians resettled the land with a mixture of people who later became known as the Samaritans. These settlers attempted to worship God while still clinging to their pagan customs. Their worship was divided. They sought to appease God rather than truly honor Him, treating Him as one option among many.

This divided devotion is still common today. Many claim to believe in God but are unwilling to surrender their habits, attitudes, or values that contradict His Word. Yet God cannot simply be added to our existing priorities. He does not compete for first place; He requires it. True worship requires placing God above all else and allowing His Word to shape our thoughts,



decisions, and lifestyle.

To serve God wholeheartedly is to give Him undivided devotion. It is to love Him sincerely, and honor Him not only with words but with actions. When we worship God in spirit and in truth, our lives become living offerings, reflecting His power and grace.

From today henceforth, serve God with your whole heart. Let your worship be genuine, let your obedience be complete, and your devotion firm.

**PRAYER / DECLARATION**

Thank you, Lord, for your word to me today. I will always worship You in spirit and in truth. Remove every divided loyalty from my heart. Help me to serve You wholeheartedly, placing You first in every area of my life. Let Your Word shape my thoughts, my actions, and my desires. May my life be true worship before You. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                                    | DAILY BIBLE<br>READING PLAN |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Deuteronomy 6:5; Romans 12:1;<br>Joshua 24:15 NKJV | Josh 22; Luk 11             |

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## STRIVING FOR MASTERY

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Tuesday, April 14, 2026

*“Everyone who competes in the games exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable crown, but we an imperishable one.”*

— **1 Corinthians 9:25**

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**T**o strive for mastery means to fully engage in the race God has set before you. It's a deliberate struggle, a focused effort, and a disciplined pursuit of excellence. The Greek word for “strive” (*agonizomenos*) implies endurance, perseverance, and intentional exertion: like an athlete training for a championship.

In today's world, striving for mastery may look very real in your everyday life. It could be resisting the urge to procrastinate and choosing to complete your work with excellence. It may be staying disciplined in your finances, avoiding impulsive spending, or investing wisely in your future. It could be saying no to distractions (social media, unhealthy habits, or toxic relationships) so that you can grow in your purpose and spiritual life.

**2 Timothy 2:5** says, *“anyone competes as an athlete, they do not receive the prize unless they compete according to the rules.”* “Compete according to the rule” implies self-control. Self-control is central to mastery. True success is not about

what you achieve by chance but about the choices you consistently make. Discipline is an intentional focus. It's choosing long-term growth over short-term comfort. For example, a student may wake up early to study instead of scrolling on their phone, or an employee may stay late to finish a project with excellence. These small acts of discipline train you for bigger victories in life.

The crown God offers is eternal, not temporary. Unlike worldly recognition, which fades, the reward for faithful, disciplined effort in God's kingdom is everlasting. But striving must be done according to God's ways. Your efforts must align with His Word, and in integrity. Every choice, every sacrifice, and every act of persistence matters.

So, today, commit to running your life like an athlete running toward the prize. Control your thoughts, manage your habits, and persevere through challenges. Let discipline and focus shape your journey.

**PRAYER / DECLARATION**

Father, thank You for calling me to a life of mastery. I will discipline my thoughts, habits, and actions, to persevere through challenges, and to pursue excellence according to Your Word. Strengthen me to run my race with purpose and faithfulness, so that I may receive the incorruptible crown You have promised. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                              | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2 Timothy 2:5; Luke 13:24;<br>Hebrews 12:1-2 | Josh 23-24               |

## THE ANOINTING AND THE ANOINTER

Wednesday, April 15, 2026

*"But the anointing which ye have received  
of him abideth in you..."*

— **1 John 2:27**

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**T**he anointing and the Anointer are not the same. The anointing is the divine enablement, the grace, the empowerment to function in God's purpose. The Anointer, however, is the Holy Spirit Himself: the Person who imparts that power. Many believers seek the anointing as though it were a substance or spiritual energy, yet the true source of all empowerment is the Holy Spirit.

In Scripture, oil was used as a symbol of consecration and divine appointment. Kings, priests, and prophets were anointed to signify that they were set apart for God's service. But in the New Covenant, the anointing is not merely external; it is the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit. He does not just visit; He abides. The anointing flows from relationship with the Anointer.

The Holy Spirit is the source of power. He teaches, guides, strengthens, and empowers believers to fulfill their calling. Without Him, ministry becomes effort. With Him, service becomes grace-enabled. God calls, Jesus authorizes, and the Holy Spirit empowers. This divine order ensures that what we do is sustained by heaven's strength and not human ability.

A common mistake is to pursue manifestations rather than intimacy. When believers focus only on the anointing (seeking

power, gifts, or outward results), they may neglect fellowship with the Anointer. Power without relationship leads to emptiness. But when you cultivate communion with the Holy Spirit, the anointing flows naturally. The Person must always be greater than the gift.

The anointing is not something you manufacture; it is something you receive. It is not achieved by striving but accessed through surrender and faith. As you walk in step with the Spirit, His power operates through you. He equips you to teach, to serve, to heal, and to influence according to God's will.

The difference is profound: the anointing is what He gives; the Anointer is who He is. One is the expression of His power; the other is the source of it. If you have the Anointer, you will never lack the anointing necessary for your assignment. Therefore, seek not merely to be anointed; seek to know the Anointer. Fellowship with Him daily. Honor His presence. Yield to His guidance. As you do, His power will rest upon you, and His purpose will be fulfilled through you.

**PRAYER/DECLARATION**

Holy Spirit, I honor You as the Anointer in my life. Teach me to value Your presence above manifestations. Thank you for your spirit empowers me to fulfill your purpose with grace and boldness, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                                          | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| John 14:16–17; 1 John 2:20, 27;<br>2 Corinthians 1:21–22 | Jdg 1-2                  |

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## THE POWER OF APPRECIATION



Thursday, April 16, 2026

*“Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you”*  
- 1 Thessalonians 5:18

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**A**ppreciation is the recognition and acknowledgment of the value, effort, or kindness of someone or something. Spiritually, it is expressing thankfulness to God and to people for the blessings, guidance, and support in our lives.

Gratitude opens the door to joy and strengthens relationships. The Bible repeatedly emphasizes the importance of gratitude, not only to God but also toward others. **Colossians 3:15** says, *“Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts... and be thankful.”* Gratitude aligns our hearts with God, cultivates humility, and fosters peace.

Appreciation is more than a simple courtesy; it is an act of spiritual kindness. Many wait for monumental moments to express gratitude, thinking only grand gestures matter. Yet Scripture shows that even small expressions of thankfulness are meaningful in God's eyes and impactful in human relationships.

A few years ago, I had a coach who guided me during a critical career transition. Even after paying for his service and completing the sessions, we maintained a cordial relationship.

Years later, the Lord impressed on me to send him a message simply to show appreciation. When I did, he replied immediately, expressing how much my words meant to him. That moment reminded me: appreciation does not require extravagance. Saying “thank you” for small acts (someone opening a door, a meal shared, guidance offered) can profoundly bless others and open doors for God's favor.

Gratitude also protects our hearts. Neglecting thankfulness leaves a vacuum that anxiety, depression, and despair can fill. A lack of appreciation blinds us from seeing God's blessings and to the good in the people around us. Even thoughts of hopelessness or self-harm can arise when gratitude is absent. Practicing appreciation shifts our focus to seeing the positive sides of life.

Take a moment today to look around. See the blessings God has placed in your life. Acknowledge the people who have helped, guided, or loved you. Speak a word of thanks; it is both spiritual obedience and a source of joy.

**PRAYER / DECLARATION**

Lord, I thank You for every blessing and for the people You have placed in my life. My heart is full of appreciation and I see Your goodness in every circumstance. Thank you, Lord, for you load me daily with benefits in the Name of Jesus. Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                                          | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 Thessalonians 5:18; Colossians 3:15-17; Proverbs 16:24 | Jdg 3-4; Luk 12          |

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## THE TWO SIDES OF GOD

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Friday, April 17, 2026

*“And the anger of the Lord was kindled against Uzzah, and he struck him down because he put his hand to the ark; so he died there before God.”*

**- 1 Chronicles 13:10**

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**C**onsider the account in our theme scripture: *“As the Ark of God was being transported, the oxen pulling the cart stumbled. Instinctively, Uzzah reached out his hand to steady the Ark so it would not fall. Immediately, the Lord struck him, and he died beside the Ark”*. To many readers, this moment may seem harsh, especially since Uzzah appeared to act out of concern. Yet this event reveals an important truth about God's character: He is a loving God and just God.

Long before this incident, God had given clear instructions about how the Ark of the Covenant was to be handled. According to the Law, only the Levites were permitted to move it, and it had to be carried on their shoulders using poles placed through the rings on its sides (Numbers 7:9). No one was allowed to touch the Ark directly because it symbolized the holy presence of God among His people.

However, when David arranged for the Ark to be brought to Jerusalem, those instructions were not followed. Instead of carrying it as commanded, they placed it on a cart, copying the method previously used by the Philistines (1 Samuel 6). While the celebration surrounding the move was enthusiastic, the process itself ignored God's clear directions.



When Uzzah reached out to steady the Ark, his intention may have seemed honorable, but his action still broke a direct instruction from God. This moment reminds us that good intentions cannot replace obedience to God.

Yet the incident does not end with judgment. After Uzzah's death, the Ark was taken to the house of Obed-edom, where it remained for three months. During that time, the Lord blessed his entire household (1 Chronicles 13:14). This contrast reveals an important aspect of God's character: He is both perfectly just and abundantly loving. Many people develop a one-sided understanding of God. Some focus only on His blessings and overlook His judgement. Others emphasize judgment so strongly that they forget His blessings. The truth is that both qualities exist together in perfect balance.

God's blessings are real, but they come with responsibility. He calls you to live with integrity, fairness, honesty, and obedience. When you approach Him with reverence and follow His Word carefully, you experience the fullness of His presence and the richness of His blessings.

PRAYER / DECLARATION

Dear Father, thank you for revealing both your holiness and your love through your Word. I will walk in reverence and obedience before you. I will honor your instructions and live according to your standards of truth and righteousness in Jesus' Name. Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                                          | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Numbers 4:5–15; 1 Chronicles 15:13–15; Hebrews 10:31 NIV | Jdg 5-6                  |

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**TRUE LEADERSHIP**  


Saturday, April 18, 2026

*“But lead with integrity, and in the wisdom of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. To Him be all honor both now and forever. Amen”*

**- Proverbs 16:12**

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**T**he Bible tells us that leadership is more than a position or title. It's about how you influence others through obedience to God. Don't rely on authority alone. God wants you to lead in ways that inspire trust, in a way that shape character, and leave a lasting impact. You might ask, “How can I become this kind of leader?” The Word of God shows us exactly how.

**Proverbs 16:12** says, *“It is an abomination to kings to commit wickedness, for a throne is established by righteousness.”* Notice that success in leadership is tied to righteousness, not skill, connections, or intelligence. Just like David (chosen at a young age) wasn't trained as a soldier and Joseph wasn't trained as an economist, yet they exhibited great and true leadership. Leadership that pleases God grows when your heart is aligned with His standards.

The wisdom that transforms leadership is God-centered. When you yield to God, pray for guidance, and allow His Word to direct your decisions, your ability to lead multiplies. This growth may show in your home, your workplace, or your community, in ways that people notice naturally.

Everyday leadership can be simple but powerful: it could be a parent guiding his children with patience, a team leader modeling fairness and honesty, or a political leader ensuring equality and honesty. When God guides your actions, your influence multiplies quietly but effectively, creating impact beyond what you can measure.

That's when you see real change. Your relationships flourish, you will notice that your decisions will bear more fruits, and your character will inspire others. This is why Scripture instructs us to *“Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it”* (**Proverbs 22:6**). To train up is to lead and the way to Go is the way of righteousness. Leadership that honors God leaves a legacy that cannot be hidden. Hallelujah!

PRAYER / DECLARATION

Father, thank You for teaching me the principles of true leadership. I submit my actions, decisions, and influence to You. Let my leadership honor You, impact others positively, and leave a lasting legacy of integrity and Godly wisdom, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                                         | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Proverbs 11:14; 1 Timothy 3:1-7; Colossians 3:23-24 AMP | Jdg 7-8; Luk 13          |

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## WAYS OF THANKSGIVING



Sunday, April 19, 2026

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*“It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name, O Most High: To show forth thy loving kindness in the morning, and thy faithfulness every night.” — Psalm 92:1–2*

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**G**iving thanks to God goes beyond a polite gesture; it's a posture of the heart. **Psalm 92:1–2** reminds us that *“it is truly good and right to praise Him and acknowledge His faithfulness”*. Sometimes, though, a simple “thank you” doesn't feel like enough. When we stop and reflect on all He has done, our hearts naturally overflow with gratitude. Thankfully, the Bible shows us that thanksgiving can be expressed in four practical ways.

**First, remember what God has done.** Think back on His blessings, the prayers He has answered, and the times He has protected or guided you. *“Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits” (Psalm 103:2)*. Remembering these things fills our hearts with joy and strengthens our trust in His unfailing love.

**Second, tell others about His goodness.** Sharing your experiences of God's faithfulness is powerful; it encourages others and glorifies Him. *“Give thanks unto the Lord, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the people” (1 Chronicles 16:8)*. As we share how God has worked in our lives, we give hope to someone who may be waiting for their own miracle.

**Third, show God's glory through your life.** Our actions, attitudes, and choices can reflect His goodness to those around us. Jesus said, *“Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven” (Matthew 5:16)*. When we live in love, and let the light of God shine through us, others will want to thank God because of us, and our gratitude becomes visible in everyday life.

**Finally, offer gifts of yourself, your time, and your resources.** Serving God and others is a tangible way to say “thank you”. **Romans 12:1** says, *“Present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service”*. Giving back in service shows that our gratitude isn't just words; it's a lifestyle.

True thanksgiving touches every part of life. It's remembering God's goodness, sharing it with others, reflecting His glory, and giving our lives in service. When our hearts are genuinely grateful, it shows not just in what we say, but in everything we do.

**PRAYER / DECLARATION**

Father, thank You for Your faithfulness and all the blessings You avail in my life. I will remember Your goodness, I will share Your works with others, reflect Your glory in my actions, and dedicate my life to serving You. Gratitude will always be the natural response of my heart every day, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                                | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Psalm 100:4; Hebrews 13:15;<br>Colossians 3:17 | Jdg 9                    |

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## YOU ARE ANOINTED

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Monday, April 20, 2026

*"But the anointing which you have received of Him abides in you... as His anointing teaches you about all things and is truth... and just as it has taught you, you shall abide in Him." - 1 John 2:27*

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**T**he anointing is not a feeling. It is not a symbol. It is the empowering presence of the Holy Spirit living inside every believer. When you received the Holy Spirit, you received the anointing. You were set apart, empowered, and equipped to fulfill God's purpose for your life.

Too often, believers limit the anointing to symbols: oil, fire, or a dove. While these are biblical representations, they are not the substance. The anointing is the Holy Spirit Himself. Acts 10:38 tells us that God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, not with oil. The power came from the Spirit. This means you don't need to run everywhere searching for someone to pour oil on your head as though the anointing is external. If you are born again and have received the Holy Spirit, the anointing already abides in you. What you need is not a new anointing, but growth, understanding, and sensitivity to the One who already lives within you.

Oil has its place. It can serve as a symbolic act of consecration or ordination. But it is only a representation. Without the Holy Spirit, oil is just oil. The true anointing is not a ceremony; it is a

Person. The Spirit of God is the One who empowers, teaches, guides, and transforms..

Jesus said in **Luke 4:18**: *“The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me...”* His ministry flowed from the Spirit's empowerment, to preach good news, heal the brokenhearted, bring deliverance, and set captives free. The same Spirit now lives in you and he has anointed you too.

So, stop searching outside for what is already inside. Abide in Him. Grow in Him. Yield to Him. The anointing in you will teach you, strengthen you, and empower you to fulfill your divine assignment. Boldly declare today: I am full of the Holy Spirit. I am anointed. I am empowered to fulfill God's purpose for my life.

**PRAYER / DECLARATION**

Father, thank You for the gift of the Holy Spirit who lives in me. I declare I am growing in the awareness of the anointing within me. Teach me and guide me in your ways and to walk in my purpose in you. I yield to Your Spirit and declare that I am anointed for Your purpose. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                                          | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| John 14:16–17; 1 John 2:20, 27;<br>2 Corinthians 1:21–22 | Jdg 10-11; Luk 14        |

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**YOU ARE DIVINELY  
PROTECTED**  


Tuesday, April 21, 2026

*“And these signs shall follow those who believe...they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them...” – Mark 16:17–18*

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**T**he Lord never sends you on a mission without equipping and protecting you. In Mark 16:17–18, Jesus spoke of the signs that would follow believers; not the other way around. The signs accompany your faith and obedience. This means divine protection goes wherever God calls you. As you walk in His direction, His power and backing go with you.

When the Scripture mentions taking up serpents, it symbolizes authority over the powers of darkness. From the deception in Genesis 3, the serpent has represented evil and opposition. Yet in Christ, you have God's authority. The life of God in you neutralizes the enemy's attacks; what was meant to harm you loses its effect because you are divinely immuned.

Just as physical immunization protects the body from disease, receiving the Holy Spirit provides divine immunity: protection from life's harmful influences, toxic, and negative forces designed to destroy. A vivid example is seen in the life of Paul the Apostle in Acts 28:3–5. A viper fastened onto his hand, yet he suffered no harm. Onlookers expected him to swell or die, but nothing happened. Why? He walked in God's will and was divinely protected. When you operate in God's purpose, no



circumstance can terminate your destiny. The fire may be hot, the serpent may strike, but God's preservation is unshakable.

This is your assurance: in Christ, you are divinely secured. Become conscious of this protection. When challenges arise, your first response shouldn't be fear or human solutions; it should be the recognition of your divine immunity. Then, declare God's Word over the situation, and you will experience victory. Glory to God!

**PRAYER / DECLARATION**

Dear Father, I thank You for Your divine protection at work in my life. As I walk in Your purpose, I am preserved from evil and harm. No attack of the enemy can thwart Your plan for me. I walk in boldness and confidence, knowing I am divinely secured, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                                 | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Luke 10:19; Psalm 91:13;<br>2 Thessalonians 3:3 | Jdg 12-13; Luk 15        |

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## A LIFE OF CONSECRATION



Wednesday, April 22, 2026

*"I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service" - Romans 12:1*

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**T**he question many people ask is, "How do I truly dedicate my life to God?" The answer is simple: consecrate yourself. Consecration is more than a one-time decision; it is a continual, deliberate surrender of your life, your desires, your talents, and your ambitions to God. It is the conscious choice to live fully for Him and devoted to Him, trusting that He alone can direct your steps. In the book of Acts, we see early believers wholly devoted to prayer, fellowship, and service. Their lives were not half-hearted; they were fully yielded, and God used them mightily to expand His Kingdom.

The Bible says in **Psalms 37:5**, "*Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass.*" When you consecrate your life, you are entrusting every area to God. The more you live surrendered, the more your spirit aligns with His purpose, and the more you are empowered to fulfill His calling. Consecration is an active obedience expressed in daily choices, spiritual disciplines, and willingness to serve wherever God directs.

Consider Mary, mother of Jesus. When the angel came with God's plan, she declared, "*Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word.*" She consecrated her life fully

to God's will, becoming a vessel of blessing for all generations. Her obedience demonstrates that consecration opens the door for God's glory to be revealed in and through us.

The same call to consecration applies to you today. Romans 12:1 reminds us to continually present ourselves as living sacrifices. Through prayer, worship, thanksgiving, and obedience, we remain holy and pleasing to God. As you consecrate your life daily, you invite His guidance, His protection, and His power to flow through you. A fully consecrated life produces peace, and spiritual fruit. When your heart and actions are wholly dedicated to God, your life becomes a sanctuary where His presence can dwell. That consecration is of the Spirit and is the pathway to experiencing God's fullness in every area of life.

**PRAYER/DECLARATION**

Father, I consecrate my life unto You. I surrender my desires, plans, and ambitions, and present myself as a living sacrifice. I walk in the fullness and guidance of Your Spirit. LORD, use me to accomplish Your perfect will, and may my life be completely pleasing in Your sight, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                                     | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
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| Joshua 24:15; 2 Corinthians 6:17-18; Galatians 2:20 | Jdg 14-15                |

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## DON'T JUSTIFY WRONG ACTIONS

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Thursday, April 23, 2026

*"But now thy kingdom shall not continue: the LORD hath sought him a man after his own heart..."*

**- 1 Samuel 13:14**

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In 1 Samuel 13:12–13, Saul offered several reasons for his disobedience. He spoke of the pressure of the moment, the scattering of his soldiers, and Samuel's delay. To Saul, these sounded like good excuses. But Samuel focused on the real issue: Saul had disobeyed God's instructions.

Many of us can relate. When we make mistakes, our first response is often to defend ourselves. We blame circumstances, stress, or even good intentions. Sometimes, we even try to spiritualize our actions to make them seem acceptable. But excuses cannot hide disobedience from God. He knows our hearts and sees our true motives.

Saul's account serves as a warning. By trying to justify his actions, he lost the kingship God had given him. Excuses cannot replace obedience. What God values is honesty, humility, and a heart willing to follow Him fully. When we take responsibility for our mistakes, we open the door to His forgiveness and restoration.

Refusing to justify wrongdoing means being honest even when

it's uncomfortable. It's choosing to admit when we are wrong instead of covering it with explanations or rationalizations. True spiritual growth comes when we allow God to correct us, rather than defending our missteps.

Obedience is not always easy, and circumstances may seem unfair or overwhelming. But God's desire is simple: a heart that trusts Him and acts according to His Word. When we respond with humility, He strengthens us to walk rightly, protects us from the consequences of continued disobedience, and blesses our faithfulness.

Let us learn from Saul. Don't hide behind excuses or try to justify what you know is wrong. Face your mistakes honestly, turn back to God, and allow His Spirit to guide your steps.

**PRAYER/DECLARATION**

Father, thank You for Your Word. I embrace Your guidance and rejoice in the freedom that comes from walking in obedience. Thank You for Your grace that strengthens me to make right choices and for the peace and blessings that follow, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                                  | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 Samuel 15:22–23; Proverbs 28:13;<br>1 John 1:9 | Jdg 16-18; Luk 16        |

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## ENJOYING THE PEACE OF GOD



Friday, April 24, 2026

*"Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you:  
not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not  
your heart be troubled, neither let it  
be afraid" - John 14:27*

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**P**ace, according to the Bible, is more than the absence of conflict; it is the wholeness, completeness, and harmony that comes from God. It is a spiritual calm that emanates from Him, flowing into the hearts of those who trust Him. **Isaiah 26:3** says, *"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee."* True peace originates from God Himself; it is His gift, not a product of circumstances, human effort, or worldly understanding.

Some Christians live with anxiety, fear, or stress, never realizing that God's peace is available to them at all times. Enjoying the peace of God is not about escaping challenges or pretending problems do not exist. It is a conscious choice to trust in God's sovereignty and to anchor your soul in His presence. In the Old Testament, God's people experienced peace when His presence was among them: through their faith, and dependence on Him. Kings, prophets, and other believers alike knew tranquility because their hearts were aligned with God's will.

In the New Testament, Jesus made this gift of peace personal and abiding. Unlike the temporary peace the world offers, God's peace stabilizes the soul, strengthens faith, and guards the heart and mind against fear. To enjoy His peace, you must intentionally focus on Him, meditate on His Word, and allow the Holy Spirit to rule your emotions and thoughts. It is an active practice, not a passive feeling.

Whenever you enjoy the peace of God, your spirit gets strengthened even in trials. You experience such great confidence in His guidance and serenity in decisions. Like Paul, who rejoiced and remained content in prison, your heart can rest in the assurance that God is in control, faithful, and ever-present. The peace of God becomes a living reality in your life, manifesting as calm, courage, and joy that surpass understanding.

Therefore, enjoy God's peace in your daily life as you consciously surrender to His presence and trust in His unchanging nature.

**PRAYER / DECLARATION**

Father, I receive Your perfect peace today. I experience Your calm flow into my heart, mind, and spirit. Help me to trust You fully at all times, to dwell in Your presence, and to reflect Your peace in every situation. Your peace garrisons my heart, and guides me continually, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                                 | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Philippians 4:6-7; Isaiah 26:3; Colossians 3:15 | Jdg 19; Luk 17           |

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## FAITH THAT MOVES MOUNTAINS



Saturday, April 25, 2026

*“And Jesus answered and said unto them,  
“Have faith in God” - **Mark 11:22***

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Someone once asked, “How can I see God's word come to pass in my life?” The answer is simple: exercise faith. True faith is not wishful thinking; it is trust in God's Word and His power. In the book of Acts, we see believers stepping out in faith, trusting God to move in impossible situations. Their confidence wasn't in their own ability, but in the faithfulness of God.

The Bible says in **Hebrews 11:1**, *“Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.”* Faith strengthens your spirit and aligns your heart with God's will. The more you act on God's Word, the more your confidence in Him grows, and the bolder your steps of obedience become.

Think of David. As a young shepherd, he faced the giant Goliath with only a sling and a stone. He could have been paralyzed by fear, but his faith in God's power gave him courage. Against all odds, he proclaimed, “The battle is the Lord's” and defeated the giant. Faith greatly empowered him to act beyond human understanding.

The same faith that David walked in is available to you today.



Mark 11:22 implores us to continually trust God. As we speak God's Word, pray with expectancy, and step forward in obedience, our faith grows. Small acts of faith today prepare us for greater victories tomorrow.

When you act in faith, even in uncertain circumstances, God works through you to accomplish the impossible. The Mountains of fear, doubt, sickness, financial lack, delay and others begin to move. That faith is of God, and it produces miraculous results.

**PRAYER / DECLARATION**

Heavenly Father, thank You for the gift of faith. I trust Your Word and step boldly in obedience, knowing that You are faithful. I am strengthened in my spirit and I walk by faith and not by sight. May my life be a proof of Your power as I move forward, seeing mountains of impossibility removed, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                           | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| James 1:6; Matthew 17:20;<br>Romans 10:17 | Jdg 20                   |

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## HEEDING THE HOLY GHOST



Sunday, April 26, 2026

*"But he forced himself, and offered the burnt offering" - 1 Samuel 13:12*

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Sometimes in life, we feel a strong urge to act, make decisions, or move forward, even when something inside us whispers caution. The Bible teaches that the Holy Spirit is our guide, prompting us toward God's will and away from decisions that could lead to harm. When you have to force yourself to do something, especially something that feels wrong or uncomfortable, it is often a sign that you are resisting God's guidance. This inner struggle (the unrest, hesitation, or discomfort) is like a "panic button" from your spirit alerting you to pause and listen.

In 1 Samuel 13:12, Saul forced himself to offer the burnt offering because he felt pressured and impatient. Instead of waiting for Samuel, he acted on his own. This act of forcing himself revealed a heart out of alignment with God's timing and will. In life, when we act against the Spirit's promptings, we risk moving in the wrong direction, even with good intentions. The Holy Spirit is gentle but persistent, guiding us toward wisdom, protection, and God's best plan.

When you feel resistance or inner tension before making a decision, pause. Take a break, pray, and ask for clarity. Pay attention to the Spirit's nudges; your spirit often knows what

your mind hasn't yet realized. Waiting on God cultivates patience, strengthens faith, and ensures that your actions are in alignment with His purposes. Acting too quickly, out of fear, pressure, or impatience, can lead to regret and unnecessary consequences.

Heeding the Holy Spirit is a beautiful, intentional journey. God invites you today to cultivate stillness, and open our hearts fully to His wisdom. As you joyfully follow His promptings instead of relying on your own strength, you walk in His peace, experience unshakable confidence, and move in perfect divine alignment. Every step becomes a sacred dance guided by His loving Spirit.

**PRAYER / DECLARATION**

I am guided by the Holy Spirit in every step I take. I trust God's timing, I follow His wisdom, and walk boldly in His will. His peace fills my heart, His joy strengthens my spirit, and His purpose flows through my life. I release fear, doubt, and impatience, and I embrace HIS divine alignment. I am a vessel of His glory and empowered to live in faith and confidence each day in Jesus' Name, amen!

| FURTHER STUDIES                                | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Romans 8:14; Galatians 5:16-18; Proverbs 3:5-6 | Jdg 21; Rut 1-2; Luk 18  |

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## PRACTICING THE PRESENCE OF GOD



Monday, April 27, 2026

*"This is the confidence that we have in him, that,  
if we ask any thing according to his will,  
he heareth us" -1 John 5:14*

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Experiencing God's presence is basically one of the most transformative principles of the Christian life. But what does it truly mean to practice His presence? Practicing the presence of God is not about seeking emotional highs or waiting for extraordinary experiences; it is a conscious, continual awareness that God is with you in every moment. It is a lifestyle where every thought, word, and action acknowledge His presence in your life. In the Old Testament, God's presence was often experienced in specific locations: the tabernacle, the temple, or upon holy mountains. People recognized Him in those sacred settings, yet His presence was largely situational, reserved for certain times and places.

In the New Testament, however, the Holy Spirit dwells in you, making God's presence constant and personal at all times. Jesus said in John 14:16–17 that the Spirit would live in us, guide us, and empower us. Practicing His presence, therefore, means intentionally cultivating awareness of the Holy Spirit in your daily life. It means inviting Him into your work, your rest, your relationships, and even your challenges. It is living with the understanding that you are never alone, that every situation is under God's control, and that He is continually at work on your behalf.

When you practice the presence of God, your spirit becomes sensitive to His guidance. Like Moses, who communed with God on the mountain and interceded for the people, your daily communion allows God's wisdom, power, and love to flow through you. Every ordinary moment becomes a spiritual encounter, and every decision is informed by His Spirit.

Therefore, practicing the presence of God is an intentional pursuit. It is a response of your human spirit to the indwelling Spirit of God. As you live in this higher realm of awareness, your life becomes a testimony of His glory. It is not enough to acknowledge God occasionally; God is inviting you to walk continually in His presence, letting Him shape every aspect of your life.

**PRAYER / DECLARATION**

Father, I practice Your presence every day. I acknowledge that You are with me in every situation, guiding, strengthening, and comforting me. I remain aware of Your presence, allowing Your Spirit to lead, empower, and fill me with peace, joy, and courage. I walk in Your presence, and my life reflects Your glory in Jesus' name, Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                      | DAILY BIBLE<br>READING PLAN |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Psalm 16:11; John 15:4; Hebrews 13:5 | Rut 3-4                     |

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## THE CALL TO HOLY LIVING



Tuesday, April 28, 2026

*“But as He who called you is holy, you also be holy  
in all your conduct” -1 Peter 1:15*

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**H**oliness is defined as being set apart for a special, divine purpose and the state of absolute moral purity or sanctity. It describes God's complete separation from all that is not God, including sin, and implies a calling for believers to live dedicated to God rather than worldly things.

Holiness is the very expression of God's nature in the life of a believer. When God calls you to holiness, He is not placing a demand on you to become something you are not; rather, He is calling you to live out who you already are in Christ. This understanding changes everything. Holiness is not a struggle for acceptance, but a response to the life of God within you.

Many people see holiness as restriction, but true holiness is transformation. It begins in your spirit when you are born again and continues as your mind is renewed by the Word of God. Your desires begin to shift, your values are elevated, and your life starts to reflect God's character. What once seemed difficult becomes a natural outflow of your new nature.

The Bible says, *“For this is the will of God, even your sanctification...”* (1 Thessalonians 4:3). This means holy living is God's desire for every believer. Yet, it is not achieved through human effort alone. Holiness is cultivated through fellowship with God, yielding to the Holy Spirit, and making daily choices

that align with His Word. Every decision you make becomes an opportunity to express His nature.

To live holy, you have to be deliberate, and It requires that you guard your heart, be mindful of your words, and choose actions that honor God. It involves refusing to compromise, even in subtle ways, and standing firm in your identity as one who is set apart. This is not about perfection, but about direction: a consistent pursuit of God and His righteousness.

Holiness also positions you for deeper fellowship with God. The more you align your life with Him, the more clearly you experience His presence, guidance, and peace. Your spiritual sensitivity increases, and you become more aware of His leading in every area of your life. In this way, holiness is not just about what you avoid; it is about what you gain: intimacy with God and alignment with His purpose.

Choose daily to walk in holiness. Remind yourself of who you are in Christ, and let that identity shape your lifestyle. As you do, you will not only please God but also experience the fullness of life He has prepared for you.

**PRAYER / DECLARATION**

I am set apart unto God, and I walk in the reality of my holy nature. My life reflects God's righteousness, and my choices align with God's Word. I yield to the Holy Spirit daily, and I walk in purity, grow in wisdom, and grace. I live to please God in all I do, in Jesus' name, Amen!

| FURTHER STUDIES                             | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Romans 12:1–2; Ephesians 1:4; Titus 2:11–12 | 1 Sa 1-2; Luk 19         |

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**THE POWER OF GOD'S  
WORD IN YOU**  


Wednesday, April 29, 2026

*"So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my  
mouth: it shall not return unto me  
void..." - Isaiah 55:11*

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**G**od's Word is not ordinary; it is alive, powerful, and filled with divine ability. Every time God speaks, His Word carries within it the power to produce what it declares. This means that when you receive His Word into your heart, you are receiving the very life and power of God.

Many people read the Bible as information, but it is far more than that. The Word of God is a living force meant to transform your thinking, shape your reality, and guide your actions. When the Word takes root in your spirit, it begins to work from within, producing faith, confidence, and results that align with God's will.

This is why it is important not just to hear the Word, but to believe and act on it. The Word becomes effective in your life when you respond to it. As you speak it, meditate on it, and live by it, it produces exactly what it talks about. There is no situation in your life that the Word of God cannot change.

Sometimes, circumstances may seem contrary, but God's Word remains constant and dependable. When you hold on to His word, refusing to be moved by what you see or feel, you position yourself for manifestation. The Word in your mouth and



heart is a creative force; it builds, restores, and brings life where there was none.

God has already given you everything you need through His Word. Your responsibility is to receive it, believe it, and declare it boldly. As you do, you will see its power at work in every area of your life.

**PRAYER / DECLARATION**

God's Word is alive in me, producing results and transforming my life. I speak the Word with boldness, and it brings forth victory, healing, and success in all that concerns me. I am established in truth, and I walk in the fullness of God's promises. Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                           | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Joshua 1:8; Hebrews 4:12; Colossians 3:16 | 1 Sa 3-5                 |



## WALK IN TRUE WORSHIP



Thursday, April 30, 2026

*“God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth” - John 4:24*

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**T**he Christian life is not centered on outward rituals or performances; it is about a living relationship with God through His Spirit. Sometimes, however, people mistakenly think that true worship must always be loud, dramatic, or emotionally intense. While expressions of joy and praise are beautiful, real worship goes much deeper than what is seen on the outside.

In the Old Testament, worship often involved ceremonies, symbols, and physical practices that pointed toward spiritual truths. But through Jesus Christ, believers now have direct access to God. We no longer depend on rituals or outward systems to reach Him. Instead, we worship Him from our hearts through the Holy Spirit who lives within us.

Because some believers have not fully understood this truth, they sometimes feel they need a certain atmosphere, a particular sound, or a specific environment before they can truly worship. But genuine worship does not begin with external conditions; it begins in the heart. It flows naturally from a life that recognizes God's presence and responds to Him with love, reverence, and gratitude.

However, understanding that God lives in you does not

mean you should neglect gathering with other believers. Some people say, “God is everywhere,” or “God is in my heart, so I don't need to go to church.” But the Scriptures clearly instruct us not to abandon fellowship with other believers. The Bible says, *“Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another...”* (**Hebrews 10:25**). Gathering together strengthens our faith, encourages us in the Word, and helps us grow spiritually.

When you allow the Word of God fill your heart, it will reflect in your worship, and it becomes more meaningful. Your songs are no longer just melodies, your lifted hands are not empty gestures, and your prayers are not routine words. Instead, they become sincere expressions of your love and devotion to God, inspired by the Holy Spirit.

God desires worship that comes from a heart that truly knows Him. So, make it your aim to live a life of true worship. Let your praise rise from a heart guided by the Word and led by the Spirit, while also valuing the fellowship of other believers.

## PRAYER / DECLARATION

Dear Father, I thank you for the privilege of worshiping you in spirit and in truth. My heart is open to you, and my life is an offering of praise. I will remain in your Word and committed to fellowship with other believers as I grow in my walk with you. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

| FURTHER STUDIES                              | DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| John 4:23–24; Hebrews 10:25; Philippians 3:3 | 1 Sa 6-8; Luk 20         |

**HAVE YOU EVER WONDERED WHAT IT MEANS TO BE SAVED?  
ARE YOU READY FOR A RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD AND  
NOT JUST RELIGION?**

**M**any people think that having a relationship with GOD is about joining a religion or a church denomination. The simple truth is that it's all about a relationship with GOD, our Maker. It's about giving your heart and life to JESUS CHRIST, the Son of God, who died for your sins and the sins of the whole world so that you don't have to spend eternity separated from GOD.

Maybe you've felt unworthy of salvation because of things you've done in the past. Perhaps you've believed that your good works or simply being a "good" person would save you. Or maybe you thought you were saved just because you were baptized or prayed a prayer, without experiencing a real change of heart.

The good news is that JESUS is calling you right now to trust and believe in HIM. Trust that HE has done all the work and paid the price for your sins. JESUS died, was buried, and rose from the dead because He took the penalty for your sins upon Himself. He died so that you could have eternal life. GOD simply asks you to believe in JESUS CHRIST and receive HIS free gift of salvation so you can live an abundant life with GOD both here on earth and for all eternity. I invite you now to accept JESUS CHRIST into your heart by saying this prayer:

## PRAYER OF SALVATION

**O** Lord God, I believe with all my heart in Jesus Christ, the Son of the living God. I believe He died for me, You raised Him from the dead, and He is alive today. I confess with my mouth that Jesus Christ is LORD. From this moment, I accept JESUS CHRIST into my heart as my personal LORD and SAVIOR. I declare that I am saved. LORD, take full control of my life, fill me with The HOLY SPIRIT, and help me to serve You, live for You, and glorify You now and forever. Amen!



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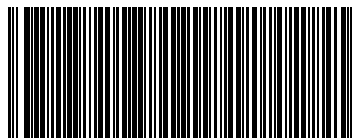


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