

ALONE, TOGETHER

A 28-DAY FAITH DEVOTIONAL

Refocus, Recharge &
Rediscover Your Joy In Less
Than 7 Minutes A Day



by Terrell Fletcher

**"(We pray that you may) be strengthened and invigorated with all power, according to His glorious might, to attain every kind of endurance and patience with joy; giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in the Light."
(Colossians 1:11)**

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Why A Spiritual Devotional?

I am Terrell Fletcher, and I am a recovering workaholic, achieveaholic, a people-pleaseraholic, and an insistent neglecter of my spiritual self... I started this devotion with this disclaimer because it's a truth that you should know about me before you keep reading... Now read on.

As a former pastor, I spent my life giving the best of my wisdom, intellect, idea's and emotional energy to a congregation and community I wholly loved. We grew together and did a lot of good for a lot of people. It was such a blessing that there were days when I would sit at my desk to prep for a sermon series and think to myself, "wow, I am so lucky. I get to study the Word of God, and serve people for a living!!!"

And I indeed, did feel lucky. But as the church grew, the demands and expectations grew; can we feed more people, raise more money, invite more guests, preach a better sermon, etc. I was up for the challenge because of course,

I am a workaholic- and I found my self worth with each milestone we met, because I am an achieveaholic. And as the needs kept coming, I kept demanding the team to expand, adjust and meet the various needs of the church and community, because, you guessed it, I am a people-pleaseraholic as well.

One Tuesday afternoon, just after a successful Turkey drive where we served over 1500 families with full turkey and sides meals, I sat down to study for that Sunday's message. I was depleted, physically and emotionally exhausted. But I plowed through my sermon prep, and hammered out a solid post-Thanksgiving sermon outline. It was entitled, "Now What?" I told the story of Jesus feeding 5000 people with a boys small lunch sack of 2 fish and 5 bread loaves. I asked probing questions from the text such as: what do you do next after the high of the miraculous wears down?

"I am a recovering workaholic, achievaholic, people-pleaserholic and incessant neglecter of my spiritual self."

Too Busy For God?

and, "can you ever be satisfied with a natural life after you've performed supernatural things? I also grappled with the emotional toil associated with expanding and decompressing- the emotional journey of ministry. That sermon went over amazingly well, but that week of prep set a horrible precedent for the way I would do my life for the next 6 years. Subconsciously, I performed a common error of many gifted speakers. My ministry mentor would warn me of this time and time again but sadly I had fallen prey: I'd become too busy to listen. My life was more consumed with working for God than growing with Him. As a negative result, I went to the Scriptures to get sermons, not to hear the voice of God. I approached the Bible week after week, and developed great homily **corporately**, but neglected to grow closer to God **personally**. The busyness of being a workaholic, achievaholic and a people pleaseraholic ultimately led me to be an insistent neglecter of my spiritual self.

And boy did I pay a price. My spiritual vitality and joy diminished. My discernment and keenness became dull, and though I was as sharp of a speaker as ever, my spiritual hearing became muffled and muted. It was as if God had stopped speaking to me. To be so engrossed in the work of faith, I had never felt so far away from God. And so I thought.

The truth is that God was actually closer than ever. He never moved away from me, and even feigned for me to slow down to reconnect with Him. He never wanted me to work harder, achieve more or please everyone. His hope was that I would unbusy myself so He and I could be Alone, Together.

My spiritual dryness only deepened when I went through a personal crisis. Instead of running toward God to be refreshed, I ran further seeking comfort in my work and new freedoms. They didn't work. and fortunately for me, a bottom was near.

The truth is that God was closer than ever. He never moved away from me, and instead desired for me to slow down to reconnect with Him.

7 Minutes a Day Changed My Life

My bottom was not a drama filled episode where I lost everything and everyone. Instead, my bottom was a simple, yet profound realization that what I was doing was not working. I was chasing something I could not catch and moving so much, that all I was, was tired. I was depleted with no reserves. I needed to refill, then refresh my entire journey with God and rethink my approach as to how I would live out my faith. Slowing down and reconnecting with Source was a must. And when I did, my life changed. I discovered the art of Biblical meditation and began intentionally exercising the power of declaring Gods word. Shortly after, I noticed that I began to hear Gods voice and sense His manifest presence again. God was speaking to me from every scripture I read. His presence revitalized my soul. My keenness and discernment returned; and in a short period of time, the joy of my salvation felt, well, joyful again.

This can happen for you as well and you can experience a second wind of freshness over your soul, as remarkable as the first time! So if my story resonates with you and need water over your heart again, or are just in need of a spiritual reconnection this devotional is for you.

Now, lets talk details:

You should approach this devotional not as a 'fix all,' but rather as an opportunity. This devotional is designed for the reader to read, speak, and sit- all in 7 minutes. You will read Gods word, speak your declarations aloud, then sit intently pondering the thought and absorbing the safety of God's presence.

Over the next 28 days you will be given an opportunity to experience God in a way that perhaps you have not been challenged to before. In this regard, this is no ordinary devotional. This devotional is not religious, but relational. Everyday expect God to meet you

*... you can experience a second wind of
freshness over you soul...*

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during this time. Sit in His presence and process the Scripture and daily declaration. Even if you feel a little skittish or weird doing so, declare them boldly as if the promises from scripture are to you- because they are! Then use your remaining time to sit in God's presence, allowing Him to illuminate what you have read and spoken. As the days go by, you will feel less skittish. You will also begin to visualize yourself in each declaration more easily. Though you may feel alone in the first few days, before long, you will profoundly become aware that you are not alone in your space- God will be there with you. In His presence, your vitality and spiritual strength will return and your faith will come alive. It will be like experiencing your own personal revival.

Alone, Together asks three things:

1. For A quiet and undistracted space
2. For Your daily dedication
3. For 7 Minutes of your time

So, there you have it, all you need to begin this journey. In 7 minutes each day, you can transform your life!

I am so happy that you decided to take the challenge of this devotion, and even more delighted that you allowed a piece of me to go with you. I am praying for you, and sincerely wish that you will get what you came to this devotion for.

Now, its time for you and God to spend some time **Alone, Together**. Selah.

Terrell

In seven minutes each day, you can transform your life.



Hills of Tuscany

Week 1: You are Loved

To love and be loved is at the center of our ultimate desire. It supports affirmation, security, enhances our levels of happiness, and allows us a freedom to explore our truest selves without fear of judgment and retribution. We are hardwired to love and want love. Additionally, we are wired to see love as a central piece of our

purpose, passion and meaning for life. We want to receive and give this love away centrally because God has given it to us. In fact, He has given us the most perfect version of love imaginable and our intuitive nature is to share this love with one another. This week, I invite you to accept this perfect love. I invite you to see yourself as worthy and desirous to a God who loves you perfectly. Sit with the truth, that you **can** love, because you **are** loved.

DAY 1

HE LOVES & WANTS ME

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

God has not let me down. He is exceeding my expectations.

GOD IS NOT LIKE ANY PERSON YOU KNOW. HE IS INCAPABLE OF MISSING ANY MARK HE SETS FOR YOU OR HIMSELF. HIS CHARACTER AND HIS LOVE TOWARD US COMPELS HIM TO MAKE GOOD ON HIS PROMISES. ONE OF HIS PROMISES SAYS THAT HE LOVES US SO MUCH, HE WILL NOT LET US DOWN. GOD WILL NOT LET YOU DOWN BECAUSE HIS LOVE DOES NOT FAIL. TODAY, STAY HOPEFUL AND EXPECTANT, GOD WILL NOT LET YOU DOWN.

We love, because He first loved us. (1 John 4:19)

DAY 2

HE LOVES & WANTS ME

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| POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS |
| I will daily, give myself and others around me grace to be imperfect. |

THE SPACE AROUND GODS PERFECTIONS IS CALLED GRACE. GRACE IS THE FAVOR GOD HAS GIVEN US THAT ALLOWS US TO BE LESS THAN PERFECT, YET STILL RECEIVE HIS ABSOLUTE BEST.

GODS GRACE IS THE ROOM TO GROW AND DEVELOP THE CHARACTER OF CHRIST- WHERE WE CAN FAIL AND NOT BE CONSIDERED A FAILURE. HIS GRACE IS SOMETIMES TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF BY THOSE WHO DO NOT UNDERSTAND ITS PURPOSE, BUT THIS PLACE IS FOR YOU TO EMBRACE AND TO SHARE WITH OTHERS. BECAUSE OF THIS LOVE, GOD YOU CAN GROW AND OTHERS WILL GROW AS WELL. RECEIVE AND GIVE GRACE, ITS HOW WE GROW.

Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times (Matthew 18: 21-22)

DAY 3

HE LOVES & WANTS ME

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

I am supported. I have a divine fan club, and my number one fan, is God Himself.

GOD IS ROOTING FOR YOU. HE IS YOUR NUMBER ONE FAN. CONSIDERING HOW MUCH HE HAS INVESTED IN YOUR SALVATION, HE WOULD NEVER BET AGAINST YOU. YOU ARE HIS REPRESENTATION IN THE EARTH AND HE BELIEVES IN YOU. EVERYDAY YOU CAN BE CONFIDENT THAT GOD HAS CHOSEN TO BE ON YOUR SIDE, NOT AGAINST YOU. HE IS PERSONALLY ROOTING FOR YOUR ULTIMATE VICTORY. EMBRACE IT AND BE MOTIVATED BY THIS TRUTH: GOD IS FOR YOU.

Behold, I am for you, and I will turn to you and you will be cultivated and sown. (Ezekiel 36:9)

DAY 4

HE LOVES & WANTS ME

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

I am not a perfect person, but today, I declare that I am a good person.

GOD IS ORDERING YOUR STEPS BECAUSE HE THINKS YOU ARE GOOD. IN HIS EYES, YOU ARE NOT BAD, EVIL OR EVEN FLAWED, BUT A GOOD PERSON. IT WAS GOD HIMSELF WHO MADE YOU GOOD BY THE SACRIFICE OF JESUS CHRIST.

WHEN LIFE, COMPETITORS, AND SOMETIMES PERSONAL MISGIVINGS MAKE YOU FEEL NOT SO GOOD, REMIND YOURSELF, THAT YOU ARE FORGIVEN, AND ARE INDEED GOOD. THAT IS WHY EVERYDAY GOD CONTINUOUSLY COMMITS TO ORDERING YOUR STEPS.

"The steps of a good man are ordered by the LORD." (Psalm 37:23)

DAY 5

HE LOVES & WANTS ME

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| POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS |
| I am Gods child. |

ONE OF THE MOST INCOMPREHENSIBLE TRUTHS IN THIS UNIVERSE IS THE FACT THAT WE ARE CHILDREN OF GOD'S. THINK OF THAT: *YOU ARE GODS CHILD.*

WE ARE SHROUDED WITH SO MANY LABELS AS FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST SUCH AS, CHRISTIANS, BELIEVERS, ETC., BUT NONE ENCAPSULATE THE BREADTH OF OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM LIKE BEING CALLED HIS CHILD. PONDER THIS: OUR SPIRITUAL PARENT IS GOD HIMSELF. HE IS LORD, HE IS SAVIOR, CREATOR OF THE UNIVERSE, BUT MORE INTIMATELY, HE IS OUR FATHER, WHOM WE CAN AFFECTIONALLY CALL, "ABBA," DADDY.

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 sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba," Father-(Romans 8:15)

DAY 6

HE LOVES & WANTS ME

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

God is relentless loving me

THERE IS NOTHING CAN DO TO PROHIBIT GOD FROM
LOVING YOU.

MISTAKES? NO.

PAST TRAUMAS? NO.

SATAN AND HIS DEVILS? NO.

PERSONAL GUILT? NO.

DISOBEDIENCE? NO

BEING TOO POOR? NO

BEING TOO WEALTHY? NO

NOTHING WILL MAKE GOD GIVE UP ON LOVING YOU.
AND WHEN HE LOVES YOU, NOTHING YOU HAVE DONE
OR HAS BEEN DONE TO YOU WILL STOP HIM. NOTHING
WILL SEPARATE YOU FROM THE LOVE OF GOD. HE
WANTS TO LOVE YOU.

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DAY 7

HE LOVES & WANTS ME

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| POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS |
| God is opening opportunities for me |

ONE EXPRESSION OF GOD'S LOVE IS THAT HE IS WILLING TO DEFEND YOU. HE DEFEATS YOUR ADVERSARIES AND CLEARS A PATH FOR MAKING IT POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO SUCCEED. OBSTACLES WILL APPEAR, BUT THEY HAVE NO REAL POWER TO STOP YOU. WHAT AN EXPRESSION OF LOVE, THAT GOD WOULD OPEN OPPORTUNITIES FOR US TO WIN. YOU WILL WIN, BECAUSE GOD LOVES YOU ENOUGH TO CREATE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR IT TO BE SO.

He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him. NIV And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross. (Colossians 2:15)



Delos Greece

Week 2:

Dynamic Faith

Faith is a belief followed by a corresponding action. It is the bridge by which the supernatural material of heaven crosses over into our natural world. Without faith, God cannot be pleased. His desire is to see us express a life that functions like His eternal kingdom can impact our world. This kind of dynamic faith brings radical returns. Its boldness tells God and the world

that our help comes from above. This week, speak and live this dynamic faith. Invite Gods supernatural world to have an impact in your world by living boldly by faith.

DAY 1

FAITH DYNAMIC

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

I do not solely rely on what I see or experience. I live according to faith dynamics and have opened myself up for faith to work in my life.

FAITH IS THE TOOL THAT CONNECTS THE NATURAL WORLD TO THE SPIRITUAL WORLD. IT IS THE LINK BETWEEN WHAT IS TERRESTRIAL AND EXTRA-TERRESTRIAL. THEREFORE, IT IS A BRIDGE FOR THE IMPOSSIBLE AND ALLOWS IT ACCESS INTO OUR LIVES SO THAT WHAT WAS ONCE IMPOSSIBLE, MAY BE POSSIBLE.

FAITH IS POWERFUL AND IS THE GIFT THAT GOD USES TO CONNECT HIS POWER WITH OURS.

YOU HAVE THE GOD KIND OF FAITH. YOU BELIEVE IN HIM AND HIS ABILITIES. BECAUSE OF THIS, YOU SEEK TO KNOW HIM. THIS QUEST PLEASURES GOD AND INVITES DIVINE RESULT. TODAY, EXPECT YOUR REWARD.

And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and is a rewarder of them who diligently seek him. (Hebrews 11:6)

DAY 2

FAITH DYNAMIC

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

My attention, and intention is on building my faith..

WHAT YOU GIVE ATTENTION TO GROWS. I GIVE ATTENTION TO WHAT BUILDS MY FAITH IN GOD AND IN THE THINGS THAT HONOR HIM. REJECT NEGATIVE THOUGHTS, CONVERSATIONS AND IDEAS. BUILD YOUR FAITH WITH THE THINGS THAT HONOR GOD. TODAY, INTENTIONALLY SET YOUR ATTENTION ON HEALING, PROSPERING, REPAIR AND RECOVERY - REMIND YOURSELF TO SET YOUR ATTENTION TO WHAT YOU WANT TO SEE GROW IN YOUR LIFE.

So faith comes by hearing and hear by the word of God: (Romans 10:17)

DAY 3

FAITH DYNAMIC

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| POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS |
| My faith is increasing |

FAITH, IS LIKE MOST THINGS; THE MORE YOU EXERCISE IT, THE STRONGER IT BECOMES. YOUR FAITH HAS TO BE PRACTICED. YOU HAVE TO STEP OUT AND TRY. LEAN ON IT, MOVE IN IT, AND WHEN YOU DO, NOT ONLY WILL IT GET STRONGER, IT WILL GET EASIER TO ACCESS. IN CHALLENGING TIMES. YOU MAY BE PRESSED TO GIVE UP, AND TRUTHFULLY, IN THIS LIFE YOU MAY GIVE UP ON A LOT OF THINGS, BUT DO NOT GIVE UP ON EXERCISING YOUR FAITH. IT IS THE WAY WE GROW, THE ACCESS POINT INTO SUPERNATURAL THINGS, AND HOW WE ARE CONNECTED TO OUR SAVIOR. INCREASE IN FAITH.

And the apostles said to the Lord, "increase our faith" (Luke 17:5)

DAY 4

FAITH DYNAMIC

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

I am healed and am being healed.

JESUS IS YOUR HEALER. WHEN YOU ACCEPT THIS, YOU ALSO HAVE ACCESS TO RECOVERY, REHABILITATION, AND RENEWAL. IN SCRIPTURE, TO BE HEALED IS TO BE REPAIRED BETTER THAN WHEN YOU WERE BROKEN.

YOU HAVE AN ABILITY TO BELIEVE THAT YOU CAN AND DESERVE TO BE HEALED. AND WITH THAT FAITH, YOU HAVE EMOTIONAL, PHYSICAL, AND PSYCHOLOGICAL HEALING. EVERY WAY GOD DECIDES TO FACILITATE YOUR HEALING, TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IT. HE WANTS YOU HEALED, SO BE HEALED.

AMEN

Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you whole again." And instantly the woman was made well. (Matthew 9:22)

DAY 5

FAITH DYNAMIC

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

My faith is perpetually and consistently increasing

AS MENTIONED BEFORE, YOU WILL GIVE ATTENTION TO WHAT BUILDS YOUR FAITH IN GOD AND IN THE THINGS THAT HONOR HIM. YOU WILL REJECT NEGATIVE THOUGHTS, CONVERSATIONS AND IDEAS. PRACTICING THIS DAY BY DAY WILL REQUIRE INTENTIONAL MENTAL AND EMOTIONAL INSPECTION. YOU WILL HAVE TO THINK ABOUT WHAT YOU THINK ABOUT, AND REPLACE THE LIES, STORIES AND NARRATIVES THAT DO NOT ALIGN WITH YOUR CONFESSIONS WITH THE WORD OF GOD. THIS EXERCISE OF FAITH, WILL BE A CHALLENGE, BUT WILL INCREASE YOUR FAITH. WHEN YOU DO THIS DAILY, YOU WILL GROW IN YOUR FAITH DAILY.

We destroy arguments (narrative) and every lofty opinion (lies, fables, traditions) raised against the knowledge of God, and take every thought captive to make it obey Christ (II Corinthians 10:5)

DAY 6

FAITH DYNAMIC

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| POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS |
| My faith will motivate my hands. |

FAITH IS THE EMPOWERMENT AND CHIEF MOTIVATOR BEHIND MOST GOOD WORK-AND WORK YOU MUST! COMMIT TO USE YOUR GIFTS, TALENTS AND RESOURCES TO PARTICIPATE WITH YOUR FAITH. YOUR FAITH NEEDS YOUR HANDS AT WORK IF IT WILL MATERIALIZE IN THIS WORLD. BIBLE FAITH WORKS. YOU WILL SEE A RETURN ON YOUR FAITH, BECAUSE YOU WILL PUT AN ACTION WITH IT.

Faith without works is dead -(James 2:7)

DAY 7

FAITH DYNAMIC

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

I am, and I possess something significant

YOU ARE A MEANINGFUL, SIGNIFICANT CREATION FROM GOD. AND YOU HAVE SOMETHING SIGNIFICANT TO OFFER THE WORLD. THIS MAKES YOU IMPORTANT AND SHOULD INSPIRE YOU TO HOPE FOR SOMETHING GREAT EACH DAY.

EVEN THOUGH YOU MAY NOT REALIZE THE FULLNESS OF IT, YOU CAN BELIEVE FOR IT. LIVE BOLD, BE SIGNIFICANT.

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen (Hebrews 11:1)



Mediterranean Sea

Week 3:

In His Presence

Imagine being loved by someone so much that their presence alone made you feel valued, wanted, and covered? That is the way God loves us. The gift of God to us, is His presence. God's presence is our reward for worship, meditation, prayer and virtually any other act of spiritual adoration.

This week, expect His presence. Sit and still your heart until you sense His existence in attendance with you. In this space, you are truly Alone, Together. Enjoy His companionship. Seek for His wisdoms and healings. Ask for His favor. In His presence, nothing is impossible. Nothing.

DAY 1

IN HIS PRESENCE

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

I will trust the Lord with the direction of my life. I am not floating through life aimlessly, the Navigator of my life is guiding me down a purposeful path.

GOD IS JUST WHAT THIS NAME INFERS: HE IS DIVINE, SUPERNATURAL AND SUPREME. HE IS ENLIGHTENED. HE IS A DIFFERENT ORDER AND OF A DIFFERENT CLASS. BECAUSE OF THIS HE MAKES DECISIONS WITH ALL THE FACTS BASED ON DIFFERENT CRITERIA; HE CHOOSES WITH PERFECT UNDERSTANDING; AND HE SPEAKS WITH A CLEARLY DEFINED PURPOSE. WE DO NOT HAVE ALL THE FACTS, NOR PERFECT UNDERSTANDING, AND OFTEN OUR PURPOSE IS NOT CLEARLY DEFINED. OUR CRITERIA IS FINITE AND FOR THIS REASON WE MUST TRUST GODS REASONING ABOVE OUR OWN. YOU CAN TRUST THAT AS GOD GUIDES YOUR STEPS, HE IS DOING SO WITH ALL THE FACTS, PERFECT UNDERSTANDING AND A DEFINITIVE PURPOSE. THAT IS WHO YOU ARE SHARING THIS SPACE WITH, RIGHT NOW.

As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts (Isaiah 55:9)

DAY 2

IN HIS PRESENCE

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

I will learn more about what God demands from my life and I will discipline myself, with His helper, to follow them.

WHETHER KNOWINGLY OR UNKNOWINGLY, WE LONG TO BE IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD. IT'S OUR DESIRE AND GOD'S DESIRE FOR US. HOWEVER, WE DO NOT ALWAYS KNOW HOW TO GET INTO HIS MANIFEST PRESENCE. THOUGH, WE ATTEND CHURCH, HIS PRESENCE OFTEN ALLUDES US. I NOW UNDERSTAND THAT OBEDIENCE IS A KEY TO THE PRESENCE OF GOD. GOD ASKS FOR OBEDIENCE TO HIS COMMANDS AS A WAY TO DIRECT US INTO HIS HOLY PRESENCE. THEREFORE GOD HAS GRANTED US THE HOLY SPIRIT TO STRENGTHEN US THAT WE MAY OBEY HIM. YOU CAN OBEY THE WORD OF GOD WITH THE HELP OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. HIS YOKE IS NOT DIFFICULT AND HIS BURDEN TO OBEY IS LIGHTER THAN THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE ALTERNATIVES. TODAY, DO NOT FRET THE BURDEN OF OBEDIENCE

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light. (Matthew 11:29-30)

DAY 3

IN HIS PRESENCE

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

**I am allowing God to bless me through the people He has placed in my path.
Their advice, teaching and warnings will matter in my life.**

YOU ARE NOT ALONE. YOU HAVE A GOD-SENT COMMUNITY AROUND YOU THAT CAN ASSIST YOU IN WAYS THAT YOU HAVE HARDLY IMAGINED.

SOMEONE HAS BEEN THROUGH AND DEFEATED WHAT YOU ARE GOING THROUGH; SOMEONE HAS ENDURED WHAT YOU FEEL LIKE GIVING UP IN; AND SOMEONE WANTS TO HELP YOU WHERE YOU NEED HELP.

YOU NEED PEOPLE TO HELP YOU AND GOD HAS MADE SURE THAT THERE ARE GOOD PEOPLE WAITING TO ASSIST YOU ALONG YOUR JOURNEY OF LIFE. LEARN HOWEVER, THAT THESE 'GOOD' PEOPLE ARE NOT 'PERFECT' PEOPLE. THEY WILL BE FILLED WITH FLAWS AND INCONSISTENCIES JUST LIKE YOU, NONETHELESS GOOD PEOPLE ARE CALLED TO BLESS YOUR LIFE, AS YOU ARE CALLED TO BLESS THEIRS.

Yet, it was kind of you to share in my troubles. (Philippians 4:14)

DAY 4

IN HIS PRESENCE

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

God will stretch my ability to perceive beyond where I have ever been and known, and I will live in the endless possibilities for me and my household.

LIFE IS A JOURNEY OF DISCOVERY; OF UNEARTHING HIDDEN THINGS THAT ALREADY EXIST. WHAT YOU DO NOT KNOW, HAVE OR UNDERSTAND, IS WAITING FOR YOU TO KNOW, GET AND UNDERSTAND. YOUR HEART MUST PERCEIVE THE POSSIBILITIES THAT YOU CAN KNOW WHAT YOU DO NOT CURRENTLY KNOW, THAT YOU CAN HAVE WHAT YOU DO NOT CURRENTLY HAVE AND THAT YOU CAN UNDERSTAND WHAT I DO NO CURRENTLY UNDERSTAND.

PERCEIVING THE TRUE REALITY OF YOUR LIMITLESS POSSIBILITIES IS CALLED FAITH. GOD IS HONORED WHEN WE BELIEVE BEYOND WHAT SEEMS UNBELIEVABLE. THIS IS WHAT PLEASES AND MOVES HIM INTO ACTION.

Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know (Jeremiah 33:3)

DAY 5

IN HIS PRESENCE

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

Today, I free myself from the pressure of trying to repay God for His goodness and release myself to receive the full measure of His grace toward me

WE ARE DOERS, AND TOO OFTEN, WE DO TOO MUCH. WE DO SO MUCH BECAUSE WE LIVE IN A WORLD THAT CELEBRATES DOING. AS A RESULT, WE HAVE ALSO BEEN TAUGHT TO RECEIVE *ACCORDING TO* WHAT WE HAVE DONE.

THEREFORE, OUR EXPERIENCE HAS MADE IT DIFFICULT FOR US TO RECEIVE UNCONDITIONALLY.

WE EXPECT THIS FROM ONE ANOTHER, AND WE SUBCONSCIOUSLY BELIEVE THAT GOD EXPECTS THIS FROM US. WE FEEL AS IF WE OWE HIM FOR WHAT HE HAS GIVEN, WHEN THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS THAT WE CAN DO NOTHING AT ALL TO REPAY HIM- NEITHER DOES HE WANT US TO TRY.

HE WANTS US TO SIMPLY BE THE GRACIOUS RECIPIENT OF HIS AMAZING AND WHOLLY FULFILLING GRACE.

If, in fact, Abraham was justified by works, he had something to boast about- but not before God. Instead, "Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness (Romans 4: 2-4)

DAY 6

IN HIS PRESENCE

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

I am overflowing in how I perceive Gods goodness in my life. In spite of life's ups and downs, I see myself full and satisfied in Him. I will share that reality.

IN OUR OWN WAYS EACH OF US IS AN EVANGELIST.
WE DO NOT NEED RELIGIOUS TITLES OR
INSTITUTIONAL CREDENTIALS TO BE SO. EACH OF US
ARE CALLED TO EXPRESS THE LOVE AND GRACE OF
JESUS CHRIST TO THE WORLD IN WORDS AND DEEDS.
THIS IS AN EXPRESSION FROM THE OVERFLOW OF
THE JOY WE HAVE FOUND IN WALKING WITH CHRIST.
IF THE JOY IS NOT YET WORTH SHARING, KEEP
HUMBLING, AND RECEIVING FROM HIM AND YOU WILL
GET THERE. HOWEVER, IF YOU HAVE FOUND JOY,
SAFETY, HEALING AND PURPOSE, SHARING THE
GOOD NEWS BECOMES AS NATURAL AS AN OVER-
POURED CUP SPILLING ON A SAUCER. EVANGELISM IS
BEING SO FULL, THAT WE SPILL (SHARE).

***He is the one we proclaim, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom,
so that we may present everyone fully mature in Christ (Colossians 1:28)***

DAY 7

IN HIS PRESENCE

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

I am Gods friend. I can trust Him with my darkest sides and seasons. He wants to know me, and He can handle me- all of me.

KNOWING IS EXPERIENCING. WE LEARN ABOUT OTHERS THROUGH THE EXPERIENCES WE HAVE WITH THEM. "KNOWING" SOMEONE IS DONE BY EXPERIENCE, NOT BY OBSERVATION ALONE. AS YOU GROW IN GOD'S GRACE, HE WILL TAKE YOU WITH HIM THROUGH HIS GREATEST AND DARKEST DAYS. HE WILL NOT WITHHOLD THE DIFFICULT TIMES, BECAUSE ONLY KNOWING THE GOOD IS AN INCOMPLETE PICTURE. IT IS OKAY TO GO THROUGH DIFFICULT SEASONS. IT IS NOT AN INDICATOR THAT GOD IS NOT WITH YOU, BUT ACTUALLY THE OPPOSITE; IT IS PROOF THAT HE WILL NEVER ABANDON YOU AND IS PRESENT EVEN IN YOUR TOUGH TIMES. AS GOD SHOW US HIS DIFFICULT JOURNEY WITH US, YOU CAN SHARE YOURS WITH HIM.

***I want to know Christ-yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participate in his sufferings, becoming like him in his victory over death-
(Philippians 3:10)***



Alpine Mountains

Week 4:

The Days Of Opportunity

"Opportunities" are the set of circumstances that make it possible to do something. This week we will explore the reality that God is the author and giver of our opportunities. How we chose to take advantage of them, or not, will determine

the quality of our successes. This week you will remind yourself that your life is not void of opportunities. You can discern and take advantage of these as you experience the love of God each day. You are in the Days of Your Opportunities.

DAY 1

AN OPEN OPPORTUNITY

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

I will not miss the opportunities God sends my way. I will discern them and seize them.

OUR BLESSINGS ARE IN OUR GOD-OFFERED OPPORTUNITIES. WE ALL HAVE THEM, WE SIMPLY MUST OPEN OUR HEARTS TO SEE THEM. YOU, YES YOU, HAVE OPPORTUNITIES ALL AROUND YOU. YOU WILL NOT MISS THE GREATEST OPPORTUNITY OF YOUR LIFETIME BY LIVING CYNICALLY OR UNBELIEVING. OPPORTUNITIES ARE ALL AROUND, AND GOD HAS LAID MANY OF THEM IN YOUR PATH. LIVE EXPECTANTLY, LIKE A HARVEST IS AWAITING YOU.

***Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few
(Matthew 9:37)***

DAY 2

AN OPEN OPPORTUNITY

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

I will sense and seize the moment. I am a serious participant in maximizing every moment in the opportunities God sends my way.

THE WINDOWS OF OPPORTUNITY DO NOT STAY OPEN FOREVER. THE UNIVERSAL LAWS OF MOVEMENT INSURE THAT. YOU MUST NOT MISUSE OR SQUANDER THE TIME GOD HAS ORDAINED FOR YOUR OPPORTUNITIES. EVERY SECOND COUNTS- FROM THE TIME YOU RECOGNIZE THE OPPORTUNITY UNTIL YOU FULLY SEIZE IT. FOLLY, PROCRASTINATION, AND POOR PRIORITIES WILL ROB YOU OF THE FULL SEASON IN YOUR OPPORTUNITY. JUST BECAUSE YOU CAN DO IT, DOES NOT MEAN IT IS THE RIGHT TIME TO TO IT. TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE RIGHT OPPORTUNITY BEFORE THE WINDOW CLOSES.

Making the best use of the time, because the days are evil (Ephesians 5:16)

DAY 3

AN OPEN OPPORTUNITY

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

I will be prudent in every season God gives me, even my seasons of preparation

PREPARATION IS A PART OF THE CYCLE OF OPPORTUNITY. WE RARELY REAP WHERE WE ARE NOT PREPARED. WE MUST RECOGNIZE THAT GOD HAS SET SOME SEASONS TO REAP, AND OTHER SEASONS TO PREPARE. IF YOU PREPARE IN THE SEASONS OF PREPARATION YOU WILL BE ABLE TO GATHER IN YOUR SEASON OF GATHERING. GOD WANTS US TO MAXIMIZE EVERY SEASON, AND THE SEASONS TO PREPARE MUST ALSO BE TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF. LEARN, EXPAND, PICK UP A NEW MINDSET, ETC. PREPARE FOR YOUR HARVEST.

He who gathers in summer is a prudent son, but he who sleeps in harvest is a son who brings shame (Proverbs 10:5)

DAY 4

AN OPEN OPPORTUNITY

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

Daily, I am laying a strong foundation by which all of Gods purposes in my life can stand.

OUR PURPOSE HAS BEEN GIVEN TO US BY GOD. AS WE DISCOVER IT, IT WILL REQUIRE TANGIBLE EFFORTS TO BRING THEM TO PASS. BEING MINDFUL THAT THIS IS A LIFE-LONG ASSIGNMENT, YOU SHOULD CONSIDER LAYING THE FIRMEST FOUNDATION POSSIBLE FOR YOUR WHICH YOUR PURPOSE WILL STAND. BEGIN TO LAY THIS FOUNDATION NOW. TWEAK IT AND BUILD UPON WHAT GOD HAS PLACED IN YOUR HEART EACH DAY. NO ASSIGNMENT IS TOO SMALL FOR YOU TO BEGIN TO PUT YOUR HANDS TO IN THIS PURSUIT. OUR SERVICE IN THE EARTH IS AN EXPRESSION OF OUR FAITH IN GOD CONCERNING OUR PURPOSE. YOU ARE IN THIS OPPORTUNITY, NOW.

But someone will say, "You have faith and I have works." Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works (James 2:18)

DAY 5

AN OPEN OPPORTUNITY

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

**I will execute and take advantage of my opportunities with humility, but
courageousness.**

GOD SENDS SEASONS AND OPPORTUNITIES. OPPORTUNITIES, LIKE SEASONS ARE NOT DECIDED, THEY ARE DISCERNED. WHEN YOU SENSE YOUR SEASON OF OPPORTUNITY, GO FOR IT WITH ALL YOUR MIGHT! DO NOT BE CAUTIOUS. THROW ALL THE CHIPS IN AND BET ON GOD AND YOUR PREPARATION. BRING ALL THAT YOU ARE TO THE TABLE WITH EACH DAY. DO NOT BE TIMID, APPREHENSIVE OR SLOW ABOUT MOVING IN YOUR SEASON, BECAUSE IT'S "YOUR" SEASON.

***To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven
(Ecclesiastes 3:1)***

DAY 6

AN OPEN OPPORTUNITY

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

I am ready and prepared for every opportunity God leads me to

YOU HAVE PHYSICAL STRENGTH, EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE, HELP AROUND YOU AND A VINEYARD TO SERVE IN. MAY GOD GRANT YOU THE WISDOM OF HOW TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS BEAUTIFUL MIX OF OPPORTUNITY AND READINESS. MAY GOD TEACH YOU TO USE THEM ALL, ALL THE DAYS OF OUR LIVES TO BRING GOD GLORY IN THE EARTH.

We must work the works of Him who sent Me as long as it is day; night is coming when no one can work (John 9:4)

DAY 7

AN OPEN OPPORTUNITY

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

I can sense Gods timing. I can trust my intuition. I will step into my opportunity.

TIME IS NOT OUR FRIEND, BUT TIMING IS. FINDING RHYTHM WITH GOD'S TIMING IS THE KEY FOR TAKING ADVANTAGE OF YOUR OPPORTUNITIES. TODAY, QUIET YOUR HEART SO YOU CAN CORRECT YOUR RHYTHM AND FIND THE BEAT OF GOD'S HEART. WHEN WE FIND GOD'S TIMING, WE LIVE COVERED BY HIS GRACE AND PERFECT WILL THROUGH EVERY SEASON OF THE JOURNEY.

To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under heaven.

(Ecclesiastes 3:1)

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TO THE READER, MY HOPE IS THAT YOU WERE REIGNITED IN YOUR FAITH AND FOUND A PROFOUND SENSE OF WARMTH IN HIS PRESENCE. OUR WORLD NEEDS PRINCIPLED AND GIFTED PEOPLE LIKE YOU WHO WILL TAKE IT TO THE NEXT LEVEL, THE RIGHT WAY. I WILL CONTINUE TO EMPOWER THOSE PEOPLE WITH FAITH INSPIRED CONTENT, HELPING YOU CONNECT YOUR HEAD AND HEART, AND CHALLENGING YOU TO LIVE BIG. YOU ARE AT THE CENTER OF MY CALLING, SO I HOPE THIS MET ITS PURPOSE IN YOUR LIFE.

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