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LET'S JOURNEY TOGETHER

The Bible is not just an ancient book. It is the living Word of God, a lamp for our feet and a light for our path.

At Lighthouse Evangelism, our mission is built on four pillars: *Love the Lord, Connect with Community, Discover Your Destiny, and Be a Blessing.*

This *Bible in a Year Devotional* reading plan is designed to help you live out these pillars on a daily basis.

Each day, you'll read from both the Old and New Testaments, reflect on a key theme, and pray in response.

The goal is not just to complete a plan, but to learn how to love, grow into who you are destined to be, and be reminded that you are a part of God's great story.

As you journey through the next 365 days, may you discover truth that never fades, promises that never fail, and the heart of a God who longs to be known.

Together, let's open our Bibles and be in His presence daily.

With Joy – Reading with you,

Pastor Pacer & Pastor Katherine

LOVE THE LORD

1 APRIL:

THE COST, CALL AND CHARACTER OF A DISCIPLE

Deuteronomy 8-9, Luke 14, Proverbs 12:13-18

Although following Jesus is the most wonderful invitation ever offered to us, it is also the costliest decision. Jesus tells us to “*count the cost*” before deciding to follow Him. Discipleship is a surrender of everything, with Christ taking priority over everything in our lives.

Jesus’ personal invitation of “*follow me*” is not simply a command. He is calling us to walk with Him, learn from Him, live in His presence and to become like Him.

The character of a disciple is defined by humility and obedience. The greatest in His Kingdom are those who take the lowest place. Will you bear the cost, answer the call and pursue the character of Christ? As we do, He will change us to become more like Him.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, help me to follow You with a willing heart. Give me strength and courage to answer Your call. Make me faithful, humble and obedient so that my life brings honour to Your name. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

2 APRIL:

OBEDIENCE IS THE EVIDENCE OF GENUINE LOVE

Deuteronomy 10-11, Luke 15, Proverbs 12:19-24

Obedience is the expression of our love for God. True love for the Lord inevitably produces obedience. It compels us to please Him. To please Him, we will do what He says.

The true test of our love for Christ is not in our empty words but in our obedience. Jesus was tested at the beginning and end of His earthly ministry. Will you do as He says: to love, forgive, serve, encourage, build and bear one another's burdens?

Obedience is never easy. If it were, we wouldn't struggle to do it. Obedience was painful for Jesus too. He went through the wilderness, Gethsemane and Judas.

Even though obedience to God may cost us many things, it will never cost us His promises.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, teach me to love You not only with my words, but with my obedience. Help me to resist selective obedience. I follow You completely. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

3 APRIL: KEEPING MARRIAGE SACRED

Deuteronomy 12-13, Luke 16, Proverbs 12:25-28

Contrary to culture, Jesus' teaching on marriage and divorce is not meant to shame the broken but to protect what is holy. Marriage is sacred and ordained by God and its breakdown is taken seriously in His eyes. While Scripture allows for divorce in certain circumstances, God's heart is always inclined toward reconciliation, healing and restoration.

A failure in marriage does not disqualify anyone from God's love and purposes. Christ remains our hope for every season of life.

The ultimate purpose of marriage is to glorify God. Staying married is not only about staying in love and being happy. It is about faithfulness to our covenant with Christ. Marriages endure when imperfect husbands and wives place Christ at the very centre and let His truth transform and shape their union.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, I choose to honour the sacred vows I made with my spouse before You. Redeem what was broken and make my marriage whole again. Help me to guard and protect my marriage by Your grace. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

4 APRIL: DO NOT CAUSE OTHERS TO STUMBLE

Deuteronomy 14-15, Luke 17, Proverbs 13:1-5

Jesus warns that although temptations will come, His followers must never be the source of another person's spiritual downfall. Our influence matters deeply. Through our words and actions, we either help people grow closer to God or push them further away.

Jesus warns us that it would be better to be thrown into the sea with a millstone around one's neck than to stumble another child of God. The Lord fiercely protects the hearts of His children. He holds us all responsible for the way we treat one another.

Every believer has a sacred duty to care for one another's spiritual well-being. We must not mislead, pressure or behave in ways that stumbles another's faith. In light of Christ's sobering words, let us reflect on how we lead, influence and act.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, help me watch how I live. Help me to care for the spiritual well-being of those around me. Guard my words, attitudes and actions so that I will not cause another to stumble. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

5 APRIL: THE POWER OF PERSISTENT PRAYER

Deuteronomy 16-17, Luke 18:1-17, Proverbs 13:6-10

Jesus speaks about the parable of the persistent widow to teach us that we *“should always pray and not give up”*. She had no influence or power. Yet her persistent cry for justice finally moved the unjust judge in her favour.

If perseverance can sway a corrupt human authority, how much more will our cries move the heart of our Heavenly Father? The power of our prayers is not found in the one who prays but in the one whom we pray to. Let's converse less with men and more with God in our secret prayer closets.

When we pray consistently, injustices can be corrected, unfavourable situations can turn around and hearts can be changed. We see brokenness and suffering everywhere we turn. God is inviting you to stand in the gap through prayer! Declare by faith that redemption and restoration will come to our families and communities.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, teach me to pray with persistence and faith. Give me Your heart for justice and mercy. Strengthen me to pray without giving up, trusting that You hear and will act. I believe that mountains will be moved! Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

6 APRIL: COUNTERFEIT SPIRITUAL AUTHORITY

Deuteronomy 18-20, Luke 18:18-43, Psalm 46

God forbids occult practices because they expose our families to ungodly spiritual influences that oppose His Kingdom. Dabbling in such practices is dangerous because it compromises our spiritual allegiance and defiles God's people and His Church. To seek supernatural guidance outside God is a rejection of His authority. Occult power is a counterfeit spiritual authority that produces bondage, fear and deception rather than freedom in Christ.

True repentance from occult practices demands a complete disassociation from them: confessing sins, renouncing all false allegiance, destroying all occult items and walking in full submission to Christ.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, I repent of any known or unknown involvement in occult practices and renounce every form of counterfeit spirituality. I renounce anything that is not from You and declare Jesus Christ as my only Lord and Saviour. By the power of Your name and Your finished work on the cross, cleanse me, restore me and fill me afresh with Your Holy Spirit. In Jesus' name, Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

7 APRIL: SING PRAISES OF GOD

Deuteronomy 21-22, Luke 19:1-27, Psalm 47

When was the last time you sang praises of God in your prayers? We are very good at bringing our needs before Him, but not as intentional in offering praise.

Just as words of affirmation bring joy and encouragement to us, our praises delight God. Let's praise God in our private moments as much as we praise Him together in corporate worship. Praise Him for who He is and what He has done. Also, praise Him simply because He is our Lord. Don't just send your petitions to Him. Shower Him with your adoration. He is worthy!

As we cultivate a lifestyle of praise, our hearts will become more aware of His presence at work in our midst. Praising God builds our faith by shifting our focus from our problems to God's greatness. His power will enter our circumstances when we enter His presence with praise.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, forgive me for the times I expect You to meet my needs and forget to praise You with a grateful heart. Today, I choose to praise You for who You are. You are worthy of all my worship. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

8 APRIL: FROM SLAVES TO SONSHIP

Deuteronomy 23-24, Luke 19:28-48, Psalm 48

Israel had endured oppressive Egyptian systems for generations. They had learned to survive tyranny but were clueless about how to live under righteousness.

God had to lay out laws to help His people live together. He instructed Israel on how to protect the vulnerable, honour promises, keep their camp clean and treat one another with dignity. They were taught to live with justice rather than exploitation. God used these laws to show them His standards of daily living.

Are you living like slaves or sons today? We were once slaves to our sins, but are now reconciled to our Heavenly Father. It is high time we live as sons and daughters of the King. We are no longer slaves and orphans. We now have a new identity in Christ. May we also live in accordance with God's standards from now on.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, thank You for delivering me from my old self and for giving me a new identity in Christ. Renew my mind and teach me to live as a son or daughter of the King. Amen.

DISCOVER YOUR DESTINY

9 APRIL: HONEST PRACTICES

Deuteronomy 25-27, Luke 20:1-26, Psalm 49

Israel was warned against using dishonest weights and measures. God calls such deception “*detestable*” because it reflects a corrupt heart. Integrity starts with honesty in the small, unseen moments of life. It is when our private lives mirror the same acts of honesty we display in public for people to see. Integrity doesn’t care about who’s watching. It is the standard where doing the right thing is the only way, even if you are the only one doing it.

Integrity matters more than abilities and intellect. We will never find people of low character taking the high road. Let practices like accurate reporting or keeping our promises be our “*honest weights*” before God. We must remember that God watches not only what we do, but how we do it. In every decision, let us choose to do what is right in God's eyes.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, help me to walk in integrity. Purify my motives, strengthen my character and guide me to do what is right. May my life shine with honesty that brings glory to You. Amen.

DISCOVER YOUR DESTINY

10 APRIL: CORRUPTION OF RELIGIOUS PRIDE

Deuteronomy 28, Luke 20:27-47, Psalm 50

Jesus exposes the corruption of religious pride. The Sadducees cared more about tradition than Scripture. Beneath the public spirituality of the scribes that loved honour, titles and attention were hearts that were far away from God. Though they knew the Word, they misused authority for personal gain.

Many in the Church have fallen into the religious trap too. We cling to man-made customs. Any changes to the way we've always done things are met with great resistance. We chase recognition and control. We are upset that we aren't made pastors and leaders. We threaten not to serve unless we have control over how we serve.

God cares deeply about the condition of our hearts. When our identity becomes tied to position rather than sonship, we guard titles and traditions instead of guarding our hearts.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, search my heart and expose any traces of religious pride in me. Forgive me for caring more about traditions, titles and men's validation more than Your truth. Root my identity in Christ, not status. Amen.

DISCOVER YOUR DESTINY

11 APRIL: THE SECRET THINGS BELONG TO GOD

Deuteronomy 29-30, Luke 21, Psalm 51

There are questions in life that remain unanswered. We may ask God, but He does not always explain Himself. Scripture teaches that some things will always remain as mysteries known only to God. His wisdom and ways are higher than ours, and He doesn't require us to understand everything. He only wants us to trust and surrender.

God has already revealed more than enough for us to live faithfully and obediently. Through His Word, He shows us who He is, how to walk with Him and what He desires for our lives. Instead of pursuing what He has hidden, we are to focus on keeping to His commands and trusting in His promises.

Ultimately, the secret things belong to God, but our obedience belongs to us. That is enough.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, help me trust You with the things I cannot understand and obey You in the things You have made clear. Teach me to rest in Your wisdom, walk in Your Word and surrender everything that I don't understand into Your hands. Amen.

DISCOVER YOUR DESTINY

12 APRIL: MORE THAN WE ARE

Deuteronomy 31-32, Luke 22:1-38, Psalm 52

The Last Supper was Jesus' final gathering with His disciples before stepping onto the Cross. Seated at the same table was a gathering of the devoted, the doubting, the ambitious, the betrayer and the denier. Just like the disciples, the Church today is still made up of imperfect, fallen people. At that first Communion, Jesus showed us how we can all become more than we are.

When the ambitious disciples argued about who was the greatest, Jesus, the One with all authority, humbly knelt down and washed their feet. Peter denied Jesus when he was overwhelmed by fear. But Jesus not only restored them, but He also empowered them to transform the world.

Jesus sees more in us than we see in ourselves. Today, come back to the table because in Christ, we are never meant to stay as we are.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, thank You for including flawed people like me at Your table. Help me to see myself the way You see me. Empower me to be more than I am for Your glory. Amen.

DISCOVER YOUR DESTINY

13 APRIL: FINISHING WELL

Deuteronomy 33-34, Luke 22:39-71, Proverbs 13:11-15

“Moses was 120 years old when he died. His eye was undimmed, and his vigour unabated”. Isn't it amazing that at the end of his life, Moses was not frail or sickly? He remained physically strong and possessed clear vision till the Lord took him.

No matter how heavy the burden of leadership became, God sustained Moses until the very end. Though he was denied entry into the Promised Land, he finished as a humble servant of God who passed on the mantle well. His life reminds us that finishing well is possible when we fully depend on God. The Lord's destiny for your life is not limited by physical age.

Do not believe the lies of the enemy that you are too old, too weak or too late for God to use. He strengthens and empowers those who walk with Him. Ask Him for fresh vision and renewed strength today!

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, strengthen me to finish well in every season of my life. Keep my eyes clear, my heart steady and my steps faithful as I depend on You daily. Empower me to walk in the destiny You have prepared. Amen.

DISCOVER YOUR DESTINY

14 APRIL: COURAGE IN EVERY STEP

Joshua 1-2, Luke 23:1-25, Proverbs 13:16-20

God told Joshua to “*be strong and courageous*” as he prepared to enter the Promised Land where giants and unfamiliar battles awaited.

In that same moment, the Lord also revealed the source of that courage He spoke about: continually meditating on God’s Word and trusting in His unfailing presence.

We are called to do the same. As we fill our minds with Scripture, fears shrink and faith grows. When we remember that God is with us in every assignment, we can step forward with confidence.

Courage is not the same as reckless bravado. It is the boldness to obey and walk with God against all opposition and challenges. As we walk in faith, know that our God goes before us. And He strengthens us every step of the way.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, fill my heart with Your steadfast faith today. Remind me that You are with me in every assignment. Help me to obey You even when I am fearful. May Your presence and Word empower me to be strong and courageous. Amen.

DISCOVER YOUR DESTINY

15 APRIL: ON THE LORD'S SIDE ALONE

Joshua 3-5, Luke 23:26-56, Proverbs 13:21-25

Joshua asked the angel that appeared, “*Are you for us or our enemies*”? The angel who was a commander of the Lord’s army replied, “*Neither*”. He was neither taking Israel’s side nor their enemies’ side. Instead, he stood for God’s divine purposes alone.

Humans tend to take sides. Too often, even amongst believers, we divide ourselves between “*my ministry*” versus “*your ministry*”. But God is not interested in our factions. He is looking for our full allegiance to His purposes alone. We should not be concerned about whether God is on our side. Our greatest concern should be whether we are on God’s side.

The real battle is not amongst us but against the principalities of the world. Like the angel, may we be known for standing with God and God alone. And like Joshua, may our posture always be one of surrender.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, align my heart fully with You. Keep me from seeking my own agenda. Teach me to stand with You, obey Your voice and give You my whole allegiance. Lead me into Your purposes today. Amen.

BE A BLESSING

16 APRIL: THE PROMISED LAND BLESSING

Joshua 6-8, Luke 24:1-35, Proverbs 14:1-5

When Israel entered the Promised Land, it was a powerful picture of entering into the fullness of God's blessings. The land represented rest, fruitfulness and a new beginning. In the same way, when we receive salvation in Christ, we experience forgiveness, freedom and a restored relationship with God.

The Promised Land also points to something greater: the eternal promise of heaven. Just as Israel crossed the Jordan to enter their inheritance, we will one day cross from this life into the everlasting joy of God's presence.

May we walk in the fullness of God's promise, living each day as bearers of His blessing as we lead others into the eternal promised land too.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, thank You for the salvation and hope You have given me through Christ. Help me live each day in the fullness of Your promised blessings. Guide me as I lead others to You. Amen.

BE A BLESSING

17 APRIL: GO TELL THE WORLD

Joshua 9-11, Luke 24:36-53, Proverbs 14:6-10

After the resurrection, Jesus stood before the very disciples who had failed Him. Peter denied Him. The others fled. Doubt filled the room. Instead of condemning the disciples who failed Him time and again, Jesus offered redemption and forgiveness.

The forgiveness of sins is for everyone without exception. No one is worthy of heaven on their own merit, but redemption is a gift for all who turn to Him. This includes even those of us who feel we are too far gone to turn back. God is calling us back from a path of destruction into God's path. No matter what your past was, you can turn to God today.

Just as the disciples were sent out to proclaim the Good News, go tell the world about God's amazing grace in your life. Your story of redemption is the hope that someone lost in darkness needs to hear today.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, thank You for redeeming me and forgiving me for my sins. I turn fully to You. Empower me to share the hope I have received so that my story can shine Your light into someone else's darkness today. Amen.

BE A BLESSING

18 APRIL: THE UPRIGHT WILL PROSPER

Joshua 12-13, John 1:1-18, Proverbs 14:11-15

“The tent of the upright will flourish”. This proverb helps us to understand God’s heart for us. He desires for us to flourish in every way. The tent here represents everyday life: our home, our work and our private walk with God.

The word *“upright”* conveys living with moral integrity and honesty. Believers who live upright lives flourish because they are planted in truth, watered by grace and sustained by obedience. So how does one live in such ways?

Be fair-minded in all your dealings. Be willing to sacrifice a little for the sake of grace. Practice self-control and avoid letting the lure of quick gains lead to greed. And when you fall, repent quickly and return to God. Submit all our ways to Him. Do what is right in the Lord’s eyes. Stay rooted in Christ and we will experience the Lord prospering us in all our ways.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, help me to live uprightly in every area of my life. Teach me to act with integrity, fairness and self-control. Thank You for Your grace that sustains me. Amen.

BE A BLESSING

19 APRIL: QUICK TEMPER, POOR JUDGEMENT

Joshua 14-15, John 1:19-51, Proverbs 14:16-20

Quick-tempered people rarely intentionally wound others. Yet, we often do. In the span of a few seconds, we sprout words that we cannot retrieve. Such foolishness is not because of a lack of intelligence. It is due to a lack of restraint.

Anger is a natural human emotion. But when unchecked, it clouds our judgment and controls us. The mess that it causes often leads to regret. What we say in anger can wound deeply and fracture relationships. Unrighteous anger is incompatible with the new life we have in Christ.

The one who controls their temper protects relationships and honours God. Today, may we pursue a heart that is quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, calm my heart and guide my responses. Teach me to pause, listen and surrender my anger to You. Fill me with Your Spirit of peace and patience. Amen.

BE A BLESSING

20 APRIL: CELEBRATE LIFE TOGETHER

Joshua 16-18, John 2:1-12, Psalms 53-54

It is beautiful to see Jesus at a wedding feast, rejoicing in the union of a married couple. This is the only biblical text that depicts our Lord at a fully celebratory occasion. It is wonderful to know that Christ is with us in our celebrations as well as in our trials.

When the wine ran out, Jesus kept the party going by turning water into exceptional wine. God delights in the joy and fellowship of His people. Whether it's a family vacation, a simple meal with a friend or an evening filled with laughter, He is there.

How can we emulate Jesus? We can *“rejoice with those who rejoice”* by celebrating our loved ones' victories without envy. Or by sharing God's blessings to meet needs when resources run low. Embrace every moment of joy, because life is worth celebrating!

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, thank You for the gift of people and the joy of community. Help me celebrate others, honour relationships and reflect Your love in every moment. Amen.

BE A BLESSING

21 APRIL:

FINDING STRENGTH TO MOVE FORWARD

Joshua 19-20, John 2:13-25, Psalm 55

In Psalm 55, David poured out his deep anguish before the Lord. He was facing attacks from enemies and fear gripped his heart. Amid all that pain, he declared, “*Cast your burden on the Lord and He will sustain you*”.

He knew only God could carry him through, so he continually turned to the Lord for help. What he received in his private moments became a blessing to many. Through the Book of Psalms, millions have found comfort, strength and hope in the same God who delivered David.

Whatever burdens we carry today, place them in God’s hands. The Lord promised that He will see us through. The burden we carry can become a building block for how we bless others.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, I cast all my burdens on You. I give all of my pains and fears over to You. Strengthen my heart and help me walk forward in faith. I trust You alone. Amen.

BE A BLESSING

22 APRIL: YOU MUST BE BORN AGAIN

Joshua 21-22, John 3:1-21, Psalm 56

Jesus speaks with a religious leader named Nicodemus. To his surprise, Christ told him, “*You must be born again*”. Nicodemus followed the law diligently and even taught the Scriptures, yet he lacked true spiritual life. He had religion but not a relationship.

Salvation is not achieved through moral effort or knowledge alone, but by a new birth from above. To be born again means receiving a new heart, a new nature and a new identity through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Our first birth makes us children of flesh, but the second birth makes us children of God. This rebirth is a gift, purchased by Christ and received through faith. When we are truly born again by the Spirit, our inner person will change. We are kinder to others. We show mercy better. We can forgive others more easily. Today, rejoice in the new birth God has given you, for in Christ you are renewed, redeemed and fully His.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, thank You for the gift of new birth. Renew my heart, transform my desires and fill me with the life of Your Spirit. In You, I am brand new! Amen.

LOVE THE LORD

23 APRIL: MARRIED TO CHRIST

Joshua 23-24, John 3:22-36, Psalm 57

Jesus is introduced to us as our Bridegroom. Through salvation, we become His Bride. Just as a bride is pursued and loved by her groom, so Christ loves and commits Himself to us with everlasting faithfulness.

Marriage is built on love, intimacy and unity. And this is the kind of relationship He desires for us to have with Him. He doesn't want us to simply know about Him. He wants us to know Him, to walk with Him and delight in His presence.

Our union with Christ continues from this life to the next, where we look forward to the marriage supper of the Lamb. A heavenly celebration where Christ and His Bride will be united in joy forever! Therefore, let us commit to Him wholeheartedly. He has claimed us, chosen us and covenanted Himself to us. Today, let your heart rest in knowing that you are deeply loved and forever His.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, thank You for choosing me, pursuing me and loving me. Help me to walk closely with You. Keep my heart devoted to You until the day I feast with You in glory. Amen.

LOVE THE LORD

24 APRIL: THE THIRST ONLY CHRIST CAN QUENCH

Judges 1, John 4:1-42, Psalm 58

Jesus said in John 4:14, “*Whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst*”. The Samaritan woman came to the well to draw water, but Jesus knew her soul was thirsty. She had tried to satisfy her longing through relationships, yet her heart remained empty.

Many of us know this feeling. We try to satisfy our thirst through achievement, affection, pleasure or approval, only to find ourselves still frustrated and unsatisfied. Christ promises lasting fulfillment.

The woman left her water jar behind because she found a greater source: Jesus Himself. Let us stop drawing from empty wells and come to the One who satisfies fully and eternally. Today, bring your thirst to Jesus. Drink deeply of His presence and let His living water fill you. He alone satisfies and restores!

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, You are my living water. Satisfy my heart and fill me with Your presence today. Teach me to seek You above all else. Amen.

LOVE THE LORD

25 APRIL: START EVERY DAY WITH GOD

Judges 2-3, John 4:43-5:15, Psalm 59

What is the first thing you do when you wake up daily? Some reach for their handphones, others for their first cup of coffee. To be able to wake up to the sunrise of each new day is a blessing from God. Every new day is a fresh start. Yesterday is gone and we can begin today with renewed mercy, hope and strength.

Start each day with God. Tell God He comes first. Make it our daily rhythm to greet our Abba Father good morning, meditate on His Word, pray and commit the day to Him and invite the Holy Spirit to inhabit your day. Do what the psalmist does: proclaim God's love, rely on His strength and seek refuge in God as we begin each morning.

Jesus often withdrew early in the morning to pray. Like Him, we must be filled with the power of the Holy Spirit first before we can pour out. Let every morning be moments of encounters with Him.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, thank You for the gift of a new day. As I begin today, I surrender every moment into Your hands. Direct my steps according to Your will. Amen.

LOVE THE LORD

26 APRIL:

EVERYTHING IN THE BIBLE POINTS TO JESUS

Judges 4-5, John 5:16-47, Psalm 60

Jesus spoke with the religious leaders who diligently studied Scripture yet missed the One the Scriptures pointed to. They knew the words, memorised the laws and analysed prophecies. But they failed to recognise the Messiah standing before them.

Jesus said, *“These are the very Scriptures that testify about Me, yet you refuse to come to Me to have life”*. What a tragedy that they resisted coming to the Lord for salvation! This is a sobering warning for us. We can study our Bibles, attend church and serve diligently, yet still miss Jesus Himself.

Let’s ask the Holy Spirit to open our eyes and reveal Christ to us. The Word is alive because Jesus is alive. His promises whisper His love for us. Every story in the Bible leads to His redemption. May we draw closer to Him!

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, open my eyes to recognise Your presence, Your voice and Your work in my life. You must increase in my life, and I must decrease. Help me to walk closely with You all the days of my life. Amen.

LOVE THE LORD

27 APRIL: WHY GOD CHOSE 300

Judges 6-7, John 6:1-24, Proverbs 14:21-25

God drastically reduced Gideon's army from thirty-two thousand to only three hundred men. God intentionally weakened Gideon's strength so that His power would be unmistakable. The battles God calls us to fight are often bigger than our ability. And oftentimes, He strips away all that we can depend on, so we learn to depend on Him alone.

In the face of life's obstacles, we are often intimidated by the size of our problems and rely on our own strength to fix it. However, if God could deliver an entire nation through just three hundred men, He can work powerfully through your life as well.

Take heart! Remind yourself of the precious truth Scripture declares, *"If God is for us, who can be against us"*? No obstacle is too big, no enemy too strong and no situation too hopeless when the Almighty stands on our side. Rejoice, for the Lord will give you the victory!

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, thank You that You are for me and with me. When challenges overwhelm me, remind me that You are greater than any difficulty I face. Amen.

LOVE THE LORD

28 APRIL: WHAT LIFE NEEDS, JESUS IS

Judges 8, John 6:25-71, Proverbs 14:26-30

Science tells us that the elements of air, water, food, light and shelter are the basic needs of life. Jesus declares, *“I am the breath of life”, “I am the living water”, “I am the bread of life”, “I am the light of the world”* and *“I am the good shepherd”*.

Jesus is the breath that sustains, water that satisfies, food to strengthen, light to guide and refuge to protect. Jesus is all that life requires to exist. What we need for physical life, He provides for our spiritual life.

He does not merely supply what we need. He is what we need. We were created to need Jesus. Without Jesus, we remain thirsty, breathless, hungry and lost in darkness. In Christ, we find true life.

Indeed, we need Jesus to live!

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, thank You for being all that I need to live. Forgive me for seeking life elsewhere when I am created for You alone. You do not merely meet my needs. You are life itself for me. Amen.

LOVE THE LORD

29 APRIL: WHO IS JESUS?

Judges 9, John 7, Proverbs 14:31-35

There was significant speculation about Jesus' identity during the Feast of Tabernacles and opinions were deeply divided. People doubted, debated and gossiped. They were curious, fearful and confused. Some hated Jesus to the point of seeking to kill Him. Others believed in Him quietly.

Which group of people are we today? Like the people at the Feast, we have heard about the same Jesus. The same invitation has been extended to us. How are we responding to Him? Let's not be bystanders, watching from a distance and commenting on who God is and what He is doing. Jesus did not say, "*Watch me, discuss about me or evaluate me*". He said, "*Follow me, come to me and drink from me*". Only those who step forward to follow Him and drink from His living water will encounter Him.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, in a world full of opinions about Jesus, give me the faith to truly believe in who You are. Stir in me a deep thirst that compels me to come to You and follow You wholeheartedly. I desire to know You, love You and live for You. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

30 APRIL: FULL OF GRACE AND TRUTH

Judges 10-11, John 8:1-30, Proverbs 15:1-5

Grace without truth becomes a licence to sin and truth without grace becomes harsh and legalistic. The law demanded that the woman caught in adultery be punished but Jesus neither condemned nor condoned her. Instead, he offered forgiveness and told her to sin no more. Jesus spoke with authority and acted with compassion.

Jesus fully embodies both grace and truth. Both are His character. Truth discerns right from wrong and grace offers God's unmerited mercy to us who don't deserve it. We need to stay connected to Jesus and keep in step with the Spirit to live in the fullness of both. How can we live with uncompromising biblical truth while extending unconditional love, reflecting Jesus in every word and action?

In a world that swings between an inclusive and cancel culture, Christians are called to shine differently.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, teach me not to minimise grace and truth, but to affirm both in my life. Fill me with Your power to hate sin but love the sinners. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

1 MAY: SET FREE BY TRUTH

Judges 12-14, John 8:31-59, Proverbs 15:6-10

Jesus distinguishes between true disciples and mere followers. True disciples are proven by being faithful to His teachings. This means a lifestyle of obedience to Jesus' words, even when they are difficult or uncomfortable. It is not just agreeing with Jesus selectively. It is to build our whole life on what He says. It is easy to claim we are Christians. But hard to be one.

Jesus is not interested in being popular. A big religious crowd followed Him, and they crucified Him. He wants fully devoted disciples, no matter how few they may be.

Being set free from the bondage of sin is a natural result of living in His Word. It is not the truth we know, but the truth we obey that restores us to true freedom. Sin promises freedom but produces bondage. Jesus may confront us with His truth, but it ultimately liberates us.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, thank You for the truth that sets me free. I don't want to just be a follower in name. I desire to be a true disciple in heart. Help me to remain in Your Word and let Your truth break every chain in my life. Lead me into the freedom You have promised. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

2 MAY: GIFTEDNESS ≠ GODLINESS

Judges 15-16, John 9:1-34, Proverbs 15:11-15

Samson's gift of strength was extraordinary. But his character was weak. We often assume that if someone is greatly gifted, they must be walking closely with God. But that might not always be true.

Although our gifts and calling of God are irrevocable, we can neglect intimacy with Him. The Lord is not only interested in what we can do for Him, but in who we are becoming in Him. He looks for spiritual fruit in our lives.

Let us therefore train ourselves to become godly men and women. Godliness, put simply, is to live in a way that reflects God's character in us. Our abilities were never meant to replace character. Talent without transformation is futile. A life rooted in godliness produces lasting impact. Think about how our families, church, schools, workplaces and society would be transformed if every single one of us were to grow in godliness.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, forgive me for valuing my talents more than my character growth. Forgive me for measuring my worth by what I can do and for neglecting who I am becoming in You. Transform me from within. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

3 MAY: RECOGNISE YOUR SHEPHERD'S VOICE

Judges 17-18, John 9:35-10:21, Proverbs 15:16-20

Jesus is the Shepherd who goes ahead of His sheep. The sheep follow because they know His voice. They follow not because they see the full path ahead, but because they trust the One leading them.

The constant chattering, competing opinions and endless advice from others can easily drown out the Shepherd's voice. The more time we spend with God, the better we are at distinguishing His voice from the many voices competing for our attention.

Jesus also says the sheep will not follow a stranger but will flee from unfamiliar voices. Staying near to God will sharpen our discernment to recognise what is truly from God and resist what is not.

The safest place for a sheep to be is by the shepherd's side. Because the devil does not fear sheep. He only fears the Shepherd.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, help me stay close to You and teach me to recognise Your voice. Help me not to be led astray by voices that are not from You. Lead me in Your ways and keep my heart attentive to Your guidance. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

4 MAY: CHRIST AS OUR MORAL COMPASS

Judges 19-21, John 10:22-42, Psalm 61

When society turns away from God, people follow their own moral compass and do what is right in their own eyes. Morality declines and compromise is normalised. It is now normal to hear: *“Do what makes you happy”*, *“your truth is your truth, my truth is my truth”*, and *“follow your heart”*.

We have grown comfortable with unholiness. We call sin a struggle, compromise as tolerance and disobedience as freedom. It doesn't matter if we can't back our beliefs up with the Bible, as long as they feel right. These are lies from the enemy. Our opinions don't outrank Scripture. When we adapt our value system to match the times, we no longer follow the Bible. We are following the world.

Our remedy is to restore God's Word as our final authority and recover our fear of the Lord. Choose to do what is right and pleasing in God's eyes. Christ alone is the only way to holiness.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, forgive me for being led astray by culture instead of standing on Your truth. Restore Your Word as my final authority. Renew in me a holy fear for You. Set me apart to walk in holiness with You. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

5 MAY: JESUS WEPT

Ruth 1-2, John 11:1-44, Psalm 62

Why did Jesus weep at the tomb of Lazarus? After all, He was moments away from calling him out of the grave.

Despite being the shortest verse in the Bible, “*Jesus wept*” profoundly illustrates the full humanity and divinity of Jesus. It shows that He is a compassionate God who empathises with human suffering. He wept out of love for Lazarus and empathy for the grief of Mary and Martha. He wept because he experienced the sorrow that death brings to humanity. But above all, He wept because death is a reminder that many people who die face eternal destruction in hell.

If Jesus was moved to tears at the reality of death, should not our hearts also be stirred? Do you carry a burden for those who do not know Him yet? We have been entrusted with the gospel message that leads others from death to life. May His compassion awaken ours, so that we may faithfully share this hope that alone brings eternal life.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, give me a heart that beats compassion for others’ souls. Stir new passion in me to share the gospel with those far from You. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

6 MAY: MARRIAGE DONE RIGHT

Ruth 3-4, John 11:45-12:11, Psalm 63

Boaz honoured God by settling the kinsman-redeemer properly before marrying Ruth. Marriage done right is not just about two people committed to each other, but more importantly, about two people committed to God.

For believers, it starts with Christ at the centre of the marriage. Marriage is a sacred covenant before God, not merely a romantic union. From that foundation flows God's design in which husbands love their wives sacrificially and wives submit to their husbands with respect. It is not purely about romance and chemistry but also righteousness and character.

No marriage is perfect and no marriage is too late to be salvaged. Strong marriages take effort. They require continual humility and a willingness to learn and grow in commitment, communication and compromise. Our marriages will grow strong and endure when we submit to God's ways.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, thank You for the sacred gift of marriage. I choose to honour You in it. Help me to place Christ at the centre of my marriage above all else. Amen.

DISCOVER YOUR DESTINY

7 MAY: LET GO TO TRULY LIVE

1 Samuel 1-2, John 12:12-36, Psalm 64

Jesus teaches a powerful paradox of His Kingdom: True life is found only through dying to self. Because in letting go, we are truly found. And in losing our lives for His sake, we discover life as it was meant to be lived. We find ourselves by losing ourselves in following Christ.

Jesus makes it clear that following Him is not about self-fulfilment but self-denial for a higher purpose. We cannot truly follow Jesus while living for ourselves because the way of Christ requires us to carry our crosses. We must empty ourselves and give ourselves fully to God.

Where are the marks of the cross in your life? Those scars are evidence of what it has cost you to bear your cross. The suffering, sacrifice and faithfulness we have endured for Christ will be replaced by eternal joy and reward in His presence. We will one day exchange our cross for a crown.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, teach me the way of the cross. Help me to die to self so that I may truly live in You. I fix my eyes on eternity and trust that one day, I will exchange my cross for a crown. Amen.

DISCOVER YOUR DESTINY

8 MAY: FAITH BEYOND THE MIRACLES

1 Samuel 3-5, John 12:37-50, Psalm 65

Even after Jesus had performed many signs and wonders, some still did not believe in Him. Miracles can help some people to confirm their faith. But for others, seeing God move is still not enough to believe, because they are unwilling to place their faith in Christ.

Miracles alone cannot produce faith. It is possible to witness God's power and still not believe what God has already revealed.

We don't need more signs to believe in Jesus. We need yielding hearts that will surrender our unbelief to God. May we have faith to believe in Jesus as our personal Lord and Saviour. He has already revealed Himself so clearly through His Word, His works and on the cross. Unless we know Christ personally, nothing else can save us from the wages of our sin.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, examine my heart and reveal to me any unbelief that may be in me. Create in me a yielding heart. I trust in Your saving grace wholeheartedly. Amen.

DISCOVER YOUR DESTINY

9 MAY: WILL YOU WASH FEET?

1 Samuel 6-8, John 13:1-30, Psalm 66

What will you do if you know you have less than a day left to live? Jesus chose to wash feet.

On the eve of His crucifixion, Jesus took on the role of the lowliest servant by washing His disciples' feet. The foot washing served two purposes. It met a practical need by cleansing their feet after a long day of walking. It also carried a deeper spiritual meaning, pointing to inner cleansing and humble service.

A famous quote on humility says, *"Humility is not thinking less of ourselves. It is thinking of ourselves less"*. When we humble ourselves, God exalts us to high places.

Love steps into the dirtiest and lowest places for the sake of others. Will you love people enough to wash their feet?

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, teach me to love and serve with humility. Give me a willing heart to step into lowly places and care for others as You have cared for me. Amen.

DISCOVER YOUR DESTINY

10 MAY: CREATED TO WORSHIP HIM

1 Samuel 9-10, John 13:31-38, Psalm 67

Psalm 67 reveals that praise is not merely an activity we do, but a lifestyle we lead. The repeated call, “*May the peoples praise You, O God*”, reveals that worshipping the Lord is part of God’s design for our lives.

If you ever feel as though your life lacks purpose, remember that you were created to worship the God who made the universe. Worshipping God should not be viewed as optional, but a non-negotiable aspect of our daily lives. It should be the central purpose of our existence. So, make it your daily intention to set aside time simply to adore Him.

Meditate on His beautiful attributes. Turn the psalms into your own language of praise. Sit quietly in awe of His greatness and goodness. As you do, you will begin to discover the deep joy and blessedness of living as a true worshipper.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, teach me to praise You not only with words, but with my life. Let my heart respond to You in worship and obedience. Amen.

DISCOVER YOUR DESTINY

11 MAY: HEAVEN IS A REAL PLACE

1 Samuel 11-13, John 14:1-14, Proverbs 15:21-25

The question, “*Is heaven real?*” is not new. Many are sceptical. After all, we live in a world where our beliefs are shaped by what we can see, measure and prove.

Jesus spoke about heaven not as a vague spiritual concept but as a real, eternal destination. Heaven is where Jesus reigns now. It is a place He has prepared for His children. It is our eternal home, a place of reward where our names are written.

What if heaven is real? If heaven is real, it means your existence is not coincidental and your life is not meaningless. The end of your life here on earth is not fully the end and your choices matter beyond this present life.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, I believe in You, but I confess that there are still things I struggle to understand. Help me to trust what You say about heaven and its meaning. As I follow You, lead me into the eternal life You have prepared for me. Amen.

DISCOVER YOUR DESTINY

12 MAY: A PEACE THE WORLD CANNOT GIVE

1 Samuel 14, John 14:15-31, Proverbs 15:26-29

What is peace to you? If your peace depends on whether things go right for you, it is fragile. You feel peaceful only as long as plans hold, people cooperate and outcomes align with your expectations. The moment the unexpected happens, that peace falls apart. True peace does not come from managing outcomes but from trusting the One who holds our outcomes.

Jesus spoke of peace on the eve of the cross. Nothing was going “*right*” for Him, yet He offered His disciples peace. Jesus offers a peace that does not require everything to make sense. True peace is not the absence of problems. It is the presence of trust. It is a peace that we can rest in even when we are surrounded by storms.

When we release our grip on how things should turn out, we live from striving to trusting. The burden of making our lives work is no longer ours alone to bear.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, teach me to let go of my need to control outcomes and to trust You instead. When my life falls apart and nothing goes as planned, help me to rest in You, knowing that You hold my life and my future. Amen.

DISCOVER YOUR DESTINY

13 MAY: HUMILITY COMES BEFORE HONOUR

1 Samuel 15-16, John 15:1-17, Proverbs 15:30-33

The proof of humility isn't by outward gentleness or staying in the background. Humility is most tested when God wants us to reach out to serve, bless or minister to someone who may have hurt or wronged us deeply. It is incredibly difficult because obedience here feels costly and unfair.

But God notices this kind of humility. When we bow low to God in obedience, He takes on the responsibility of lifting us up. In His time and way, He always honours those who are humble.

Such humility prepares the heart to handle honour rightly. Humility allows God to carry out His hidden work in our inner life so that when public recognition arrives, we can carry it well.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, give me the humility to obey You even when it is costly. Help me to serve, bless and love the people whom my heart resists. Do Your hidden work in me so that when honour comes, I may carry it with faithfulness. Amen.

BE A BLESSING

14 MAY: GIANT BEFORE THE CROWN

1 Samuel 17, John 15:18-27, Proverbs 16:1-4

When God chose David to be king, He did not immediately place a crown on his head. He placed Goliath in his path first. Before David sat on the throne, he was tested on the battlefield first. Goliath wasn't simply an obstacle to David's destiny. He was part of the training. The confrontation with the giant was preparation for kingship.

The struggles and challenges we face today are training that God puts us through to prepare and refine us. Preparation comes before purpose and testing before promotion. Like David, let's believe that victory ultimately comes from trusting the God who goes before us.

When we finally wear the crown of victory, let us remember that the crown is not a reward to display but a sacred responsibility to continue fighting God's battles.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, give me courage to confront and faith to trust You when You place giants in my path before entrusting crowns in my hands. Help me to remember that every victory is a responsibility to serve and fight for what matters to You. Amen.

BE A BLESSING

15 MAY: REJOICE WITH OTHERS' VICTORIES

1 Samuel 18-19, John 16:1-15, Proverbs 16:5-8

After David defeated Goliath, the women of Israel sang of David's victory. Instead of rejoicing in what God had done, King Saul was consumed with jealousy.

Jealousy is a far more dangerous sin than many Christians like to admit. It fails to see the goodness of God in other believers' lives and subtly questions God's fairness. Jealousy assumes someone else's blessing is our loss. We need to understand that God's blessings on one person do not diminish His faithfulness to another. God is both sovereign and generous.

Does your heart sting when you hear of another person's success? Surrender that feeling to God. Ask God to enlarge your capacity to celebrate and rejoice with others. Choose to pray blessings over those you are tempted to envy. Cultivate a spirit of contentment and gratitude.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, search my heart and expose any jealousy that may be hiding within me. Forgive me for questioning Your goodness and faithfulness. Cultivate in me a spirit of gratitude and deep contentment for all that You have blessed me with. Amen.

BE A BLESSING

16 MAY: THE GIFT OF A FAITHFUL FRIEND

1 Samuel 20-21, John 16:16-33, Proverbs 16:9-12

The gift of a faithful friend, especially in troubled times, is one of God's most precious blessings. Jonathan not only believed in David but stood by him. He protected him at great personal risk and never betrayed him, even under pressure. Unlike his father, Jonathan refused to rival with David. He recognised the hand of God upon David's life, relinquished his rights to the throne and aligned himself with God's will.

We all need at least one such faithful, battle-tested friend in our lives. Someone who not only loves us deeply and selflessly but also strengthens our faith when we falter and remains faithful to us till the end.

Likewise, we are also called to be a Jonathan to someone else. In what ways can we be less transactional and more unconditional in our relationships with others?

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, thank You for the precious gift of faithful friendships. Thank You for those who have stood by me in troubled seasons. Teach me to cherish them and never take them for granted. Make me a blessing to someone else. Amen.

BE A BLESSING

17 MAY: BECOMING WHAT JESUS PRAYED

1 Samuel 22-23, John 17, Proverbs 16:13-16

Jesus expressed His deepest desire for every believer in His Great High Priestly Prayer. He prayed that Abba Father would protect, sanctify and unite us. He also prayed that we would be His faithful witnesses. Above all, He prayed that the love of the Father would dwell in us.

The Father has heard and answered the Son. What Jesus prayed has been secured through His finished work on the cross. This precious intercession is activated in our lives by faith.

So, the deeper question we must ask ourselves is this: Do we truly desire to become what our Lord prayed for us to become? The grace has been provided. The invitation has been offered. May our hearts be ready to say, "*Lord, shape me to become the answer to Your prayer*".

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, thank You for answering the prayer of Your Son. I receive Your protection, Your sanctifying work, and Your love. Here I am Lord, send me! Amen.

BE A BLESSING

18 MAY: THE POWER OF WISE INTERVENTION

1 Samuel 24-25, John 18:1-27, Psalm 68:1-18

Nabal's contemptuous words provoked David's anger and nearly brought destruction upon his entire household. His wife, Abigail, chose to step in. She could have remained silent, reasoning that it was not her place to intervene. Instead, she acted with courage.

With humility, discernment and timely words, she calmed David's fury and averted a crisis. Her wisdom prevented disaster and preserved lives. What posture should we adopt in moments like these?

Be quick to listen and slow to speak. When engaging with someone who is upset, lay aside our ego and truly hear the heart behind the words. Showing understanding is more important than winning arguments. Sometimes a good resolution comes by being willing to make the adjustments for the sake of peace. May we, like Abigail, be instruments of God's reconciliation wherever we go.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, teach me to pause and pray before I speak. Fill my heart with humility and wisdom. In every situation, may I bring Your peace. Amen.

BE A BLESSING

19 MAY: HOW PRECIOUS IS YOUR SOUL

1 Samuel 26-28, John 18:28-19:16a, Psalm 68:19-35

Jesus' words reveal the value of our souls. He came to "seek" and to "save". That means your soul is worth pursuing and worth rescuing. Elsewhere in Scripture, it also says that Satan is after our souls. God seeks to give us life, but the enemy is out to destroy our lives. How precious must our souls be that both God and the devil are after us!

You may have an inner voice that says, "*I don't matter*", "*I'm a burden*" or "*I'm not worth much*". These are lies from the enemy. If God would seek and pursue us at such great cost, then He considers you worth guarding. Your value to Jesus is proven by His pursuit of you.

God's love does not end at saving us. He saves us so that we may participate in His work. We who have been saved are now vessels of His Kingdom work. May Christ's work of seeking and saving continue through us.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, thank You for seeking me when I was lost. Quiet the whispers that tell me I don't matter and help me to see myself through Your eyes. Continue Your redeeming work through me. Amen.

BE A BLESSING

20 MAY: LIVING FROM HIS FINISHED WORK

1 Samuel 29-31, John 19:16b-42, Psalm 69:1-18

One of the best ways we can bless others is to point them to the finished work of Jesus. Our future is secured through Christ's life, death and resurrection. Our Lord truly paid it all for us.

Many around us live weighed down by guilt, shame and hopelessness. By fixing our eyes on what our Saviour has done, we focus on His faithfulness instead of our failures.

Practically, this means reminding ourselves and others, *"We do not have to strive to be accepted by God. Jesus has already done the work"*. We can rest in His unconditional love. There is no need to perform for acceptance or to try to earn what Christ has already accomplished for us. Our identity is found in Christ. We didn't choose Him. He chose you and me. It is finished, therefore we are free. May this truth bring peace to troubled hearts and rest to weary souls.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, thank You for the finished work of the cross. I choose to rest in all that You have done for me. Help me to live from this truth and point others to You too. Amen.

LOVE THE LORD

21 MAY: JESUS OUR COMFORTER

2 Samuel 1-2, John 20:1-23, Psalm 69:19-36

Mary Magdalene stood weeping outside the empty tomb of Jesus. In her grief, she was anxious about the missing body of Christ. And then Jesus came near. He spoke gently and called her by name. In that moment, her despair turned to immense joy.

Our Lord Jesus is still the Comforter who turns our despair to joy today. He does not dismiss our tears or abandon us in our pain. He longs to draw close and speak personally into our sorrow. But sometimes we look for comfort elsewhere rather than turning to God first.

God's comfort is a peace that surpasses understanding. It is a supernatural and divine comfort that sustains us during afflictions and grief. Call out to Him in your tears and grief. You will find His presence drawing near. And His comfort will bring healing to your soul.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, thank You for drawing near in my sorrow. Comfort me with Your presence and bring healing to my heart. I need You, my Lord. I need You. Amen.

LOVE THE LORD

22 MAY: CHOOSING TO TRUST AN UNSEEN GOD

2 Samuel 3-4, John 20:24-31, Psalm 70

Thomas loved Jesus. Yet he would not believe the other disciples when they said they had seen the risen Christ. Although Jesus had told them He would rise after three days, Thomas wanted proof. At times, we find ourselves doing the same thing.

There are moments when certain biblical truths seem difficult to accept. We want certainty and visible assurance before we believe. But that is not the way of faith. Faith calls us to trust what God has spoken, even when our eyes cannot yet confirm it.

Most of us will never see Jesus with our earthly eyes, yet we are still called to love Him fully. Blessed are those who believe without seeing. May we continue to trust Him and take Him at His Word, even when sight is absent.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, help me to trust You even when I cannot see. Strengthen my faith to believe Your Word and love You wholeheartedly. Amen.

LOVE THE LORD

23 MAY: GOD IS THE ROCK AT THE BOTTOM

2 Samuel 5-6, John 21, Psalm 71

Psalm 71 is the prayer of someone who has known pressure, opposition and moments of deep vulnerability. The psalmist cries out, "*Be my rock of refuge, to which I can always go*". Sometimes God lets us hit rock bottom so that we can meet God at the bottom of our pit. God is the Rock at the bottom.

God is present even in our lowest moments. Most of us would rather be at the mountaintop than rock bottom. But Scripture repeatedly shows us that God does some of His most powerful work in the pits. Joseph went from pit and prison to purpose. Moses from failure to calling. David from cave to king. Peter went from denying Christ to becoming the rock on which Christ built His Church.

Turn your rock bottom today into your meeting place with God.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, when everything around me feels like it is collapsing, help me to remember that You are my rock and refuge. Teach me to trust You not only on the mountaintop, but also at the bottom. Let my weaknesses lead me to deeper faith in You. Amen.

LOVE THE LORD

24 MAY: REVIVAL STARTS WITH PRAYER

2 Samuel 7-8, Acts 1, Psalm 72

After Jesus ascended to the heavens, the 120 disciples went to the upper room to pray. They were waiting for the promised Holy Spirit to come upon them in power. This was significant because rather than scattering in fear, they united in prayer, demonstrating faith and dependence on God to fulfil His promise.

How different this is from our tendency to rely on our own strength and strategies. The disciples understood that God's work must be done in God's power. They waited to be filled before they went out to serve.

Every revival begins with prayer. We must learn to slow down, seek Him, surrender our own efforts and wait upon His Spirit. As we press on in intercession, the Lord will release power and transformation upon us in His time. Are you willing to wait upon the Lord and pray till He brings revival to your soul?

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, I desire revival in my life. As I seek You first, let Your power come upon me. Change me fully from the inside out. I will continue to pray till I see a new season of breakthrough in my life. Amen.

LOVE THE LORD

25 MAY: DEVOTION LIKE THE EARLY CHURCH

2 Samuel 9-10, Acts 2:1-41, Proverbs 16:17-20

Deep devotion to God marked the early church. They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, fellowship, communion and prayer. They hungered for God's Word, treasured time together and centred their lives on Christ.

This devotion was expressed through shared life and active service. They met regularly, shared their possessions and ensured no one among them was in need. Their unity was a commitment to love, serve and carry one another's burdens.

As a result, their ministry and good works had a lasting impact. They enjoyed the favour of all the people, and *"the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved"*. As the church today, let us love God with the same devotion and faithfulness of the first believers!

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, teach me to be devoted as the early church was. Shape my heart to cherish Your people and serve Your church faithfully. I choose to continue the legacy of the first believers with humility, unity and joy. Amen.

LOVE THE LORD

26 MAY: REPENTANCE BRINGS NEW LIFE

2 Samuel 11-12, Acts 2:42-3:26, Proverbs 16:21-24

Repentance is more than just feeling sorry and regretful about our sins. To repent is to have a change of heart and a desire to forsake sin and follow God. True repentance results in lasting change in our thoughts, desires, habits and actions.

As Christians, our fundamental problem is not a sin problem because Christ has already taken away our sin on the cross. We are no longer condemned. Our problem is that we are slow to repent. Repentance is not a one-time event but an ongoing response.

We must be quick to confess our sins and ask God for forgiveness. God neither withholds forgiveness nor harbours a grudge against us. When we turn back to God, He does not merely erase our past. He breathes new life into our present. Let's have a daily posture that keeps our hearts soft before God and our lives aligned with His purposes.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, I turn my heart back to You. Forgive me, cleanse me and set me free from my old ways. Create in me a clean heart and renew a right spirit in me. Amen.

LOVE THE LORD

27 MAY: EVEN GODLY LEADERS EXPERIENCE PAIN

2 Samuel 13-15, Acts 4, Proverbs 16:25-28

It is a misconception to think that successful or godly leaders have a smooth sailing life. In fact, one of the hardest realities of leadership is that the people we love and care about most are often the ones who will hurt us most deeply in the process. Successful and godly leaders are not exempt from the pain of betrayals and heartaches. David not only lost a kingdom but also a son and the loyalty of his people.

When we face betrayal from the people closest to us, it is natural to feel confused, wounded and even angry. What should we do when faced with pain that hits us in the face?

We surrender our pain to Jesus. We can cry and pour out every heartbreak to Him. We can ask for His healing. He understands our pain and will meet us in our brokenness. God will mend what is broken and restore what was lost. May we hold on to God as He leads us into His redeeming light.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, I thank You for never leaving nor forsaking me. Strengthen my heart in times of pain. Guard me from bitterness. I will trust You always. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

28 MAY: GOD TAKES INTEGRITY SERIOUSLY

2 Samuel 16-17, Acts 5:1-32, Proverbs 16:29-33

Ananias and Sapphira's sin were not withholding part of the money. They were free to do so. Their sin was deception. They sought to impress others with their false image of devotion to God and ended up lying not only to people but also to God. Our hidden sin is never hidden from God. Integrity is uncompromisable to God.

Integrity means living blamelessly before God, holding ourselves to His standards regardless of circumstances. God takes holiness so seriously that He will remove any hypocrisy that corrupts the purity of His bride.

God expects His children and His church to uphold His standard of integrity in their personal behaviours and in church practices. Those who walk in the fear of the Lord will experience great power. May we live in a way that truly pleases Him.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, search my heart and cleanse me from every hidden motive and pretence. Teach me to desire Your praises more than the praises of men. Help me to walk with integrity in every area of my life. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

29 MAY: LOVING WITHOUT EXPECTATIONS

2 Samuel 18-19, Acts 5:33-6:15, Proverbs 17:1-4

David wanted to reward Barzillai for providing food, bedding and provisions to him and his men during his exile from Jerusalem. The king offered him a reward to live at the royal court. But Barzillai humbly declined.

Barzillai's story is a powerful teaching that love should be given generously, without expecting reciprocation. Some people treat their relationships transactionally. They give only if they can get something in return, or they give so they can get. When we give through serving, blessing or helping, we must do so out of love and only because it delights and glorifies God.

Each day presents us with opportunities to love in this way. Jesus best exemplifies such a love. Our Abba Father sees every kind deed we do. Blessed are those who give with a pure heart. May our Lord be pleased as we choose to love faithfully and selflessly each day.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, give me a heart that loves generously and serves without expecting anything in return. May my life please You in all that I do. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

30 MAY: LIFE ACROSS GENERATIONS

2 Samuel 20-21, Acts 7:1-29, Proverbs 17:5-8

The verse, *“Children’s children are a crown to the aged, and parents are the pride of their children”* reveals God’s beautiful design for the generations. Grandchildren represent fruitfulness and continuity, while children find protection and spiritual covering in their fathers.

Life is not a competition between generations. Each generation is precious and important, with each having a role to play so that all generations flourish together in God’s Kingdom. When each generation embraces its God-given role, the body of Christ and families become strong and unified. The young build with vision and passion, whereas the old imparts faith and wisdom.

Regardless of which generation we represent, may we always speak well of and honour the generations that come before and after us so that the Lord’s name be magnified.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, thank You for my family and my church. Teach me to love and honour the generations before and after me. Guard me from comparison and help me to embrace Your God-given role with humility and joy. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

31 MAY: FAITH CANNOT BE SILENCED

2 Samuel 22, Acts 7:30-60, Proverbs 17:9-12

Stephen was not martyred for wrongdoing, but because his bold message that Jesus is Lord confronted pride, unbelief and exposed hardened hearts. Those walking in the flesh will be offended by Christians walking in the Spirit.

Salvation may be free, but it will cost us everything to be Jesus' disciples. Will you still follow Jesus? To Stephen, faithfulness to Christ was worth any cost, even life itself.

If we follow Jesus, we must be ready to be criticised, misunderstood, hated and even rejected. May we still confidently say that God is our portion and that we shall not want.

Stephen's martyrdom marked the turning point for the spread of the gospel. The scattered believers shared the gospel wherever they went. May we have such steadfast faith that nothing silences our witness for the Lord.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, fill me with unwavering courage like Stephen so that my life and even my suffering would point others to Jesus. Let nothing silence my witness and may I reflect Your gospel wherever I am. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

1 JUNE: FALSE CONVERSION

2 Samuel 23-24, Acts 8:1-25, Psalm 73:1-14

We would think Simon was a converted man. After all, he believed and was baptised. He heard the preaching, saw the signs and declared his newfound belief. Alas, Simon was not truly transformed at all. He was more fascinated by the spiritual authority he hoped to attain by believing. It wasn't repentance or faith. He believed in the power of Jesus, but he did not believe in Jesus. That's why he tried to purchase the ability to impart the Holy Spirit.

Many Christians resemble Simon in sobering ways. They participate actively in church life and mingle with fellow believers. But they are only drawn to Christianity because of what it offers – blessings, answered prayers, fellowship, healing or spiritual encounters. Their hearts did not genuinely turn to Christ in repentance and surrender.

Let's examine our hearts honestly before God to see whether our faith is genuine or false, real or shallow.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, search my heart for any falsehood. Help me to turn to You in genuine repentance and surrender. Help me to follow You fully. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

2 JUNE: INNER STRUGGLE OF FAITH

1 Kings 1, Acts 8:26-40, Psalm 73:15-28

Psalm 73 is about the inner crisis of faith when life feels unfair. Like Asaph, we may have also wrestled with the injustice of seeing godless people thrive while we experience hardships despite trying to live faithfully.

Asaph's turning point came when he entered God's presence and his perspective on life changed. He realised that earthly prosperity is temporary and fragile, whereas life with God has eternal weight. What once looked like success is revealed to be futile without God. He received a profound revelation about God's goodness and the ultimate fate of the unrighteous.

What began as a lament turned into a powerful confession of renewed faith in the Lord's presence. May we, like Asaph, also renew our spirits and come to realise that Christ Himself is our true reward.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, when my heart struggles with what feels unfair, draw me into Your presence. Change my perspective, quiet my complaints and help me to see life through Your eternal truth. Teach me to find my confidence and reward in You alone. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

3 JUNE: GRACE REACHES THE HARDEST HEARTS

1 Kings 2, Acts 9:1-19, Psalm 74

Saul was one of the most unlikely vessels for the Lord to save and use. Not only was he not searching for God, but he was also busy persecuting the church and opposing God when Jesus met him.

If you are praying or have been praying for the salvation of someone you love and care for deeply, let Saul's story be a powerful encouragement to you to persevere in your prayers and not give up hope. God is at work even when there are no visible signs. Hearts that seemed closed to faith are still fully seen by God. He knows exactly how and when to intervene. No one is beyond God's reach.

Like how Jesus met Saul on that road of resistance, trust that the same grace that stopped Saul in his tracks will meet the one you are praying for today. God's grace is still at work!

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, thank You that Your grace reaches even the hardest hearts. Come and meet those whom I am praying for today. I place my hope in Your unstoppable grace. Amen.

DISCOVER YOUR DESTINY

4 JUNE: WISDOM ABOVE ABILITY

1 Kings 3-4, Acts 9:20-43, Psalm 75

It pleased the Lord when Solomon asked God for wisdom. Having the ability to do something is not enough. Wisdom is the discernment to know when, how, why and whether it should be done. A highly capable and smart person can still make poor decisions.

Biblical wisdom is more than intelligence, education or life experience. It is the God-given ability to see life from God's perspective and to live accordingly. True wisdom comes from the Holy Spirit. Asking for wisdom is not only about making better decisions. It is also about asking God for wisdom to direct our thinking. Wisdom aligns us with God's will and perspective, helping us see situations as He sees them.

Do you need more wisdom? Today, cultivate both the fear of the Lord in you and tell the Lord that you desire fresh wisdom from Him.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, You are the source of all wisdom and understanding. I need Your guidance in every decision and season. Grant me wisdom from above so that I may always do what honours You. Amen.

DISCOVER YOUR DESTINY

5 JUNE: GOD DOESN'T PLAY FAVOURITES

1 Kings 5-6, Acts 10, Psalm 76

God values every person equally and does not rank people based on any specific criteria. What matters to God is not where a person comes from, but the posture of their heart. He welcomes anyone as long as they fear Him and seek to walk right with Him.

Because God's love is equal, His grace is available to all. No one receives more grace because of privilege, and no one receives less because of their past or position. God's grace is extended freely for all of us to encounter the transforming love of Christ.

Knowing that God shows no favoritism frees us from comparison and competition. We don't have to compete in our calling or feel threatened by someone else's success. We all have a place and a destiny that is uniquely given to us by God.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, thank You that Your grace is freely given, not earned by privilege nor withheld because of my mistakes. Set me free from comparison and competition so that I may live confidently in Your calling for me. Amen.

DISCOVER YOUR DESTINY

6 JUNE: THE GOSPEL WITHOUT BORDERS

1 Kings 7, Acts 11:1-18, Psalm 77

Peter received a vision from God that deeply transformed him. The Lord declared, *“What God has made clean, do not call common”*, revealing that the gospel was not meant only for the Jews, but also for the Gentiles.

As the Holy Spirit convicts us, we may become aware of our hidden biases toward certain ethnic groups. But the gospel is for everyone. It calls us to repent of valuing people differently based on their race or background.

How then do we show grace to all? We begin by reminding ourselves that every person is created in the image of God. Each one is equally broken by sin and equally in need of His saving grace. May the Lord enlarge our hearts to love without partiality. And through us, His salvation message may reach every tribe, tongue and nation.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, help me to break free from my comfort zone. Empower me to share the gospel with everyone regardless of their background. Let me be a vessel of Your grace and love. I will obey and trust You. Amen.

DISCOVER YOUR DESTINY

7 JUNE: FILLED WITH GOD'S GLORY

1 Kings 8, Acts 11:19-30, Psalm 78:1-22

As the Ark of the Covenant was brought into the temple, the glory of God filled the house so powerfully that the priests were unable to continue ministering. The visible cloud of His presence made it unmistakably clear: God Himself had drawn near.

What if we longed for more encounters with the Lord's glory? What we need is not more religious activity, but more of His presence. When His glory fills our lives, it transforms us from the inside out.

Make room for more of God today. Clear your schedule. Quiet your heart. Present yourself before Him and allow the Spirit to fill you afresh. Saturate your mind with His Word until truth overflows within you. May His glory rest upon you and may His presence become the greatest treasure of your life.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, show me Your glory. I make room for You. Come and fill me. Let Your presence fall on me. Grant me fresh encounters with You. Amen.

DISCOVER YOUR DESTINY

8 JUNE: PRAYER OPENS DOORS THAT MEN CAN'T

1 Kings 9-10, Acts 12, Proverbs 17:13-16

Peter's miraculous escape from prison displays the powerful contrast between divine intervention and human authority. From a human perspective, every door was shut when King Herod imprisoned Peter. While Herod wielded his power, the church responded with prayer. Because of and through prayer, God moved powerfully. The breakthrough wasn't through earthly means.

Prayer has the power to change our reality when God's power enters our impossible situations. Not only can prayer open doors that men cannot shut, but it can also close the doors that God never meant for us to open.

Regardless of the situation you are in, pray on it, pray over it and pray through it. God is never late. As you wait patiently for God to move in His perfect timing, praise Him in the hallway.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, I come before You knowing that what is impossible for me is never impossible with You. Teach me to trust You to move in ways I cannot see. Help me persevere in prayer and strengthen my faith as I wait on You to open the doors that no one else can open. Amen.

DISCOVER YOUR DESTINY

9 JUNE: SHOW UP WHEN IT MATTERS

1 Kings 11, Acts 13:1-12, Proverbs 17:17-20

Who was there for you during a painful season in your life? How did their presence bless you? Shallow connections are easy to maintain when life goes smoothly. But faithful friends who stick with us through thick and thin are few.

We often ask God to be part of our plans. But do you realise it is a great privilege to be part of what God is doing and to be used by Him to help others in their times of need? Think about the times you ask God to use you, and He sends you to people who are hurting. Offer your practical help and encouragement, show concern, pray for them and lend a listening ear.

Christ does not withdraw from us when our lives get messy or when we fall short. Instead, He draws near to us. May we also become the kind of brother and sister God uses to bring strength to others in times of difficulty.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, thank You for always being near to me, especially in my time of need. Thank You for the people whom You have placed in my life in difficult seasons. Give me a compassionate heart to do the same for others too. Amen.

DISCOVER YOUR DESTINY

10 JUNE: JOY IS THE CURE

1 Kings 12-13, Acts 13:13-52, Proverbs 17:21-24

Proverbs teach us that *“A joyful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones”*. Joy is essential. It is one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit. Imagine possessing all the other fruits, yet lacking joy. Before long, much of what you do will slowly become dry and laborious. Joy gives us strength and delight.

When joy is lacking, it often points to a deeper issue. It may stem from a weakened communion with God, from believing something untrue about Him, from carrying burdens alone or from a life of striving instead of trusting.

Be reminded that God is the giver of joy, and He desires you to live in its fullness. He promises to turn mourning into rejoicing when we yield our hearts to Him. As you surrender afresh to the Holy Spirit, ask Him to fill you with new joy. Our Lord will heal and restore your soul.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, You are the giver of true joy. Restore my heart, replace my heaviness with gladness and fill me afresh with the joy of the Holy Spirit. Let Your joy be my strength today. Amen.

BE A BLESSING

11 JUNE: BEING AN UNOFFENDABLE PERSON

1 Kings 14-15, Acts 14, Proverbs 17:25-28

Paul was stoned in Lystra, dragged out of the city and left for dead by the very people he came to serve. God miraculously healed him. Instead of taking offence or retreating in bitterness, Paul returned to the city and continued ministering.

Offence takes root when our sense of worth is tied to people's approval or treatment of us. By cultivating a secure identity in Christ, rejection loses its power and criticism loses its sting.

What should we do when someone offends us? Release it to the Lord and choose forgiveness. Holding offence in our spirit weighs us down and harms us greatly. Let it go. Refuse to replay the scene in your mind. Remind your heart that guarding your peace is more important than proving your point. Today, release every offence and receive healing in your soul.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, guard my heart from offence. Help me release every hurt to You and anchor my identity in Christ alone. Give me grace to forgive quickly and remain free to love and serve You. Amen.

BE A BLESSING

12 JUNE: BELIEVING THE BEST IN OTHERS

1 Kings 16-17, Acts 15:1-35, Proverbs 18:1-4

Because John Mark had deserted his first missionary journey, Paul was reluctant to involve him again in the ministry. But Barnabas refused to give up on Mark. He saw beyond his past failure and believed in God's ongoing work in his life.

How do we believe the best in people? We remember our own weaknesses and how grace carried us through our failures. Instead of constantly highlighting someone else's shortcomings, we intentionally look for evidence of God's transforming work in them.

We practice patience. We encourage their growth in Christ. We don't pigeonhole them by their past and their mistakes, or limit what they can become in the Lord. Let us be like Barnabas: sons and daughters of encouragement who see potential when others only see failure.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, help me see others through Your eyes of grace. Give me patience not only to believe the best in others but also give thanks to You for them. Amen.

BE A BLESSING

13 JUNE: CALLING FIRE FROM HEAVEN

1 Kings 18, Acts 15:36-16:15, Proverbs 18:5-8

While many witnessed the dramatic fire falling from heaven, the true power of that moment was Elijah's prayer. His cry was that God would reveal Himself and turn the hearts of the people back to Him.

Today, we may not need a literal fire from heaven. But there are many situations where God's fire is still needed. We can ask for the fire of personal revival to reignite our passion and zeal, renew our devotion and awaken a fresh love for God within us.

We can also ask for God's purifying fire to cleanse our homes, schools and churches. When the Lord's fire falls, falsehood will be destroyed and true worship will be revived. Many will turn to Him in renewed faith. Are you willing to be a vessel to call fire down?

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, let Your fire fall afresh in my heart. I desire to be on fire for You now and always. Burn away my desire for anything that is not of You. Let nothing hinder my faith in You. Revive me, O God. Amen.

BE A BLESSING

14 JUNE: CHRIST'S AUTHORITY IS GREATER

1 Kings 19-20, Acts 16:16-40, Proverbs 18:9-12

At midnight, Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God. The Lord sent an earthquake to free them from the prison. Though they could flee, they stayed put. Their decision to remain became a powerful witness that brought the jailer and his household to salvation.

This is a wonderful reminder of our Lord's authority and power. Even in the darkest hour, Christ still reigns. What may seem like a place of defeat will become a place of redemption.

Wherever we go, we need to remember that we are under our Lord's authority. If we submit all our ways to Him, He gives us power and makes our path straight. There is power in prayer. There is power in the Name of Jesus. May we learn to walk daily in the God-given authority He has placed upon our lives.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, You are the highest authority. I submit my will and my ways before You. I thank You for the power of prayer. Teach me to walk in Your power. I trust in Your name. Amen.

BE A BLESSING

15 JUNE: TAKING TIME TO TELL HIS STORY

1 Kings 21-22, Acts 17:1-15, Psalm 78:23-39

In Thessalonica, Paul intentionally took several Sabbaths to explain who Jesus is. He did not rush the message but was patient in answering any questions the people had.

Genuine faith is not built on hype or coercion, but on truth clearly heard and rightly understood. Paul answered questions, addressed doubts and connected the promises of Scripture to the person of Jesus.

Are we willing to slow down and journey with others in their faith? Practically, this may mean listening before speaking, making time to respond to questions about faith, opening Scripture together and walking patiently with people over time. When we take the time to explain the gospel and teach about Jesus with love and clarity, we help others build a strong and lasting faith.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, thank You for Paul's example. Give me patience and wisdom to journey with others in their faith in love. Help me point others to You so that they may build strong, lasting faith in their hearts. Amen.

BE A BLESSING

16 JUNE: CARRYING ON THE PROPHETIC MANTLE

2 Kings 1-2, Acts 17:16-34, Psalm 78:40-55

Elijah was taken up to heaven and his prophetic mantle fell upon Elisha. It was a continuation of God's work to ensure His people still had a prophetic leader they could trust. When one servant's assignment is completed, the Lord raises another to carry the work forward.

In our present day, some Christians believe that prophecy has ceased. Scripture tells us otherwise. The apostle Paul urged the believers to desire the gift of prophecy in 1 Corinthians 14. While not everyone is called to the office of a prophet, every believer can ask to be used prophetically in function and in gift.

True prophetic voices have a burden for holiness and justice. They are sensitive to the Holy Spirit's leading. Like Elisha, we can ask for a double portion of God's anointing. Let us answer the call of the prophetic ministry. May our Heavenly Father entrust us with His gifts to build His people!

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, give me a listening heart and a willing spirit. Anoint me afresh to bless and build Your people according to Your will. Amen.

BE A BLESSING

17 JUNE:

MIRACLES FOLLOW THOSE WHO BELIEVE

2 Kings 3-4, Acts 18, Psalm 78:56-72

When we read about the miracles Elisha performed, we are often filled with awe. And we tend to assume that such power is reserved for a special few. That is untrue. Jesus told us that signs would accompany those who believe.

The question is whether we can believe that the Lord can work miracles through us. The signs Elisha did were necessary interventions. Oil was multiplied to rescue a poverty-stricken widow. A child was raised from death. Food was purified in famine.

Each miracle met a desperate need. If we desire to see the miraculous today, no pastor or prophet is required. We only need to believe that the same Lord who empowered Elisha can empower us to perform miracles when a real need arises!

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, help me believe You can work through me. Strengthen my faith to trust Your power in times of need. Use my life to bring hope, healing and help to others, for You are the same God yesterday and today. Amen.

LOVE THE LORD

18 JUNE: THE SUBTLE COST OF COMPROMISE

2 Kings 5-6, Acts 19, Psalm 79

Has compromise infiltrated your life? Have you made any exceptions that violated God's clear standards? The small concessions here and there will subtly shift our hearts away from full obedience while convincing us that they are harmless. What once felt wrong feels normal now, and what was once resisted is now tolerated. Before we know it, our spiritual life withers.

Leaders must guard against compromise. If a leader tolerates compromise, spiritual drift follows in the place we lead. We must never compromise God's standards for the sake of fitting in. Do whatever it takes to turn from it.

Like Gehazi, how are you tempted to cross the boundaries that God has clearly set? Be quick to confess, renounce and repent of them before they lead to serious consequences for you. It is better to be rejected by people but be accepted by God.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, guard my heart from small compromises. Reveal to me the areas of my life where my integrity has been weakened and lead me back to the righteous path. Amen.

LOVE THE LORD

19 JUNE: LET HIS FACE SHINE UPON US

2 Kings 7-8, Acts 20, Psalm 80

The psalmist cries out, *“Restore us, O God; make Your face shine upon us, that we may be saved”*. This was a plea to God for help during a season when Israel was facing military threat, exile and even internal collapse.

The image of this psalm is that Israel is a vine that the Lord brought out of Egypt, planted and caused to flourish. But now the vine is broken down and ravaged. It is a sobering picture that may mirror the state of our own families or lives.

So how do we experience the Lord’s restoring power? We return to Him in repentance and depend fully on Him. When we do, the Lord enters our situation and His light shines into places of brokenness and loss. Let us position our hearts to receive the face of the Lord shining upon us, trusting that where His presence returns, restoration surely follows.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, restore my family. Renew my life. I yearn to have Your face shine upon me in glory. I humble myself before You. I depend on You, O Lord. Amen.

LOVE THE LORD

20 JUNE: ALL IN FOR JESUS

2 Kings 9-10, Acts 21, Psalm 81

“For I am ready not only to be imprisoned but even to die in Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus”. For the casual Christian, these words may sound extreme. Yet they reveal the very heart of true discipleship.

Scripture never tells us to desire persecution or hardship. But it does prepare us for the possibility of them. When suffering comes, don't ask *why*. Ask *how* we should respond. Will we retreat in fear? Or will we remain faithful to Christ's name?

Like the familiar words of the song, *“I have decided to follow Jesus, no turning back, no turning back”*, let us resolve in our hearts to choose to be all in for Jesus. Hold nothing back, for He alone is worthy of our full devotion and our unwavering obedience.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, I choose to follow You with my whole heart. Where You lead me, I will go. My will is not my own, but Yours to obey. Empower me to endure to the end. Give me new strength daily to persevere. Amen.

LOVE THE LORD

21 JUNE: BEING A WITNESS OF HIS LOVE

2 Kings 11-13, Acts 22, Psalm 82

Despite being beaten, Paul chose to tell his persecutors how the love of God changed his life. When we have truly experienced God's love, we cannot keep silent about it.

If we say, "*God loves us*", then our lives must echo that truth. Love naturally overflows. It speaks, it witnesses and it points others to Jesus. It is time to tell everyone we know about the love that has changed our lives.

How can you be witnesses for our Lord Jesus today? We can share our testimony, love people where they are and pray with those who may be struggling. We can invite others to join us at a church service or a connect group. May our everyday conversations be new opportunities to share the goodness of our Lord Jesus Christ!

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, thank You for changing my life. You have called me to be Your witness and I choose to obey. Give me courage to take steps of faith and to declare Your goodness through my life and my words. Amen.

LOVE THE LORD

22 JUNE: GUARD YOUR HEART AFTER VICTORY

2 Kings 14-15, Acts 23, Psalm 83

Most of us want to succeed, and we pray for it. But are we truly ready for the wins? It is easy to be humble when we have little. It is much harder to remain humble when we taste success. Pride begins to whisper that we deserve the applause. Success becomes dangerous when we don't guard our hearts. Better to pray to be broken so that the pride of success does not enter our heads and lead our hearts astray.

Success is both a reward and a test. To test whether we will remember the Source of our victory, keep God central, remain humble and not worship the win. Will we attribute our accomplishment to God or to our inflated egos?

Success is good as long as it makes more of Him and less of us. The higher God lifts us up, the lower our hearts must bow. To God be all glory forever!

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, prepare my heart to handle success rightly. Guard me from pride when victory comes and remind me that every blessing flows from You alone. Amen.

LOVE THE LORD

23 JUNE: CHOOSE HIM FIRST

2 Kings 16-17, Acts 24, Proverbs 18:13-16

Israel was defeated, and its people were led into exile. Scripture is clear about the reason: they chose to cling to their idols. Though they acknowledged the true God, their hearts were divided in their devotion to Him.

Spiritual decline rarely happens overnight. It often begins with small compromises that slowly lead to greater ones. In time, the Lord withdrew His hand of protection, allowing the consequences of their choices to unfold.

This account calls us to examine our own hearts. God desires more than acknowledgement. He desires wholehearted love. May we guard our devotion to the Lord and choose to love Him first.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, search my heart. Show me any divided places within me. Guard me from compromise. Help me to love You with my whole heart. Amen.

LOVE THE LORD

24 JUNE: HOLDING FAST TO GOD

2 Kings 18, Acts 25, Proverbs 18:17-20

Hezekiah was one of the greatest kings of Judah because of his devotion to God. Scripture tells us that he held fast to the Lord and kept the commandments of God. As a result, the Lord was with him and prospered him.

True devotion to God is rare. Out of the forty kings of Israel and Judah, only eight were described as good kings. And Hezekiah was one of them. His life forces us to ask an honest question: What type of Christian are we?

If our desire is to be genuine followers, we must learn to take His Word seriously, put away all idols and obey His commands. Holding fast to God is a daily choice. May we cling to Him wholeheartedly, and may His presence go with us always.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, I will hold fast to You. May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O Lord, my strength and my Redeemer. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

25 JUNE: CHOOSING WISE COMPANIONS

2 Kings 19-20, Acts 26, Proverbs 18:21-24

Scripture warns, *“A man of many companions may come to ruin, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother”*. We may have many acquaintances, but only a few true friends. This proverb distinguishes between quantity and quality in our relationships.

Who we choose to walk with truly matters. The people closest to us shape how we think, influence what we value and impact how we live.

What kind of friends do you have and should you seek? Look for those who are walking closely with the Lord. Seek friends with proven character. Choose those who are willing to speak the truth in love. And treasure those who remain steadfast in difficult seasons. May the Lord grant us wisdom and discernment in the friendships we nurture.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, grant me wisdom to choose the right friends. Guard my heart from shallow connections and lead me to relationships that draw me closer to You. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

26 JUNE: FAITH IN A STORM

2 Kings 21-22, Acts 27:1-26, Proverbs 19:1-3

Though Paul was a prisoner on the boat, he was the one who spoke with authority. Amid violent winds and crashing waves, when seasoned sailors lost hope, Paul stood firm in faith and declared that no life would be lost.

At times, we may find ourselves as the only believers in difficult situations. But faith positions us to become a source of hope and a steady voice of assurance.

When we trust God in the storm, our confidence in Him can strengthen others and point them to the One who still reigns over every wave. Choose to speak faith. Choose to stand firm. As you anchor your heart in the Lord, He will faithfully lead you through the storm.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, You are the One who speaks and the storms obey. I have no fear, for I know You are with me. I know that nothing I face is beyond Your control. I place my life fully in Your hands. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

27 JUNE: REBUILDING BROKEN COMMUNITY

2 Kings 23-24, Acts 27:27-44, Proverbs 19:4-6

Under the leadership of King Josiah, Judah experienced one of its greatest seasons of spiritual renewal.

Josiah understood that a broken community could not be mended by superficial changes. True restoration required addressing the sin that had damaged the nation's spiritual foundation. In many ways, the same principle applies to us today. Renewal in our personal walk with God and in our church must begin by honestly confronting what has led to brokenness.

Before relationships and families can be rebuilt, harmful influences must be removed. Restoration and renewal can take place only when idols are destroyed, unhealthy leadership is corrected and false teaching is rejected. Only then can our communities be rebuilt on truth, faithfulness and wholehearted devotion to the Lord.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, rebuild what is broken among Your people. Remove everything that does not honour You and restore my relationships and communities by Your grace. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

28 JUNE: THE HEART OF A TRUE SERVANT

2 Kings 25, Acts 28:1-16, Proverbs 19:7-9

After surviving a shipwreck and even a viper's bite, Paul continued to serve as if those traumatic events were nothing.

Not only did Paul have the heart of a servant, but he also truly lived up to the words he wrote, "*I am a debtor to this world*". He did not wait for life to become easier before serving, nor did hardship harden his heart toward the people around him.

Jesus affirms that servanthood is what makes us great. True servanthood is proven when we continue to seek the benefit of those we serve despite crushing setbacks. It tastes sweeter to live a life of sacrifice to do God's will as His servants than to pursue position, fame or riches. When we would rather relinquish our rights than forsake the gospel. May we have hearts that are willing to seek the joy of others and the glory of our Master.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, give me the heart of a servant. You came to serve humanity. Empower me to do likewise. So that the world can see You. Amen.

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

29 JUNE:

NOT EVERY OFFENCE NEEDS A REACTION

1 Chronicles 1, Acts 28:17-31, Proverbs 19:10-12

Sometimes, the wisest response towards an offence is to restrain ourselves. In doing that, we choose not to let offence control our spirit or dictate our actions. Wisdom knows which battles to overlook.

Be careful of the spirit of offence too. It may hear things that were never said and perceive an insult where there was none. Reacting emotionally may feel justified in the moment, but it can multiply conflict.

Relationships can flourish when we choose to overlook minor irritations, personality quirks, accidental mistakes or careless comments. These offences are usually rooted in immaturity or thoughtlessness rather than malice. A wise person refuses to give it any weight.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, guard my heart and grant me the wisdom to overlook what does not matter. Help me discern which offences to release to You and help me respond with restraint and love. Amen.

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30 JUNE: GOSPEL-CENTERED LIVES

1 Chronicles 2, Romans 1:1-17, Psalms 84-85

Paul was eager to preach the gospel to the Christian community in Rome. We often assume that the good news is only meant to bring people to Christ. Paul understood that the gospel must continually be preached to even those who already believe.

The gospel is the power of God unto salvation. And salvation is not a one-time event. In Christ, we have been saved, we are being saved and we will be saved. The gospel has to be what binds us together.

As believers, we must never outgrow the gospel. We need to hear it repeatedly, allowing it to renew our hearts and realign our lives. May the gospel remain central to all we believe, live and proclaim.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, thank You for Your finished work in my life. May I live each day mindful of Your mercy. Help me be faithful in living a life centred on Your truth and in sharing the Good News. Amen.

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