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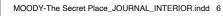
He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High Shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord. "He is my refuge and my fortress: Mv God. in Him I will trust." Surely He shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler And from the perilous pestilence. He shall cover you with His feathers, And under His wings you shall take refuge; His truth shall be vour shield and buckler. You shall not be afraid of the terror by night. Nor of the arrow that flies by day. Nor of the pestilence that walks in darkness. *Nor* of the destruction *that* lays waste at noonday. A thousand may fall at your side, And ten thousand at your right hand; But it shall not come near you. Only with your eyes shall you look, And see the reward of the wicked. Because you have made the Lord, who is my refuge. Even the Most High, your dwelling place, No evil shall befall you, Nor shall any plaque come near your dwelling: For He shall give His angels charge over you, To keep you in all your ways. In their hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone. You shall tread upon the lion and the cobra. The young lion and the serpent you shall trample underfoot. "Because he has set his love upon Me, therefore I will deliver him; I will set him on high, because he has known My name. He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble: I will deliver him and honor him. With long life I will satisfy him, And show him My salvation."

Psalm 91 (NKJV)





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INTRODUCTION

deally, you already own a copy of *The Secret Place, Book 1: A Devotional for Encountering God*, which is designed to provide you with insights and principles to think about as you spend time with the Lord. This volume, Book 2, has been crafted with practical application questions and space for reflection—it's for you to record your thoughts, prayers, and insights.

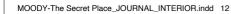
Take your time as you journey through this year. Listen to what the Lord is saying to you. Dive into His Word. Scour each sentence, appreciate each phrase, and come away closer to Jesus Christ than you've ever been before. Below, you'll find specific instructions on how to complete your SOAP devotionals. My prayer is that you'll be encouraged, inspired, and challenged in your walk with the Lord through this timeless resource.







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THE SOAP DEVOTIONAL PROCESS

S.O.A.P. is the devotional method that I have practiced for years, and it's the devotional method I lay out in this journal. The acronym **S.O.A.P.** stands for Scripture, Observation, Application, and Prayer. It is a great way of getting more out of your time with God and in His Word. Just like physical soap, this devotional method will wash you spiritually, transform your heart and bring you closer to God than ever before. I did not invent this method; rather, it was taught to me by a mentor, and I am honored to share it with you through this journal.

In order to do this daily, you only need four things:

1. A Time

Set an appointment with God and keep it every day.

2. A Place

Find a great place. It can be your kitchen or a coffee shop. Any place that's comfortable and quiet for you works.

3. A Bible

Get a version that is easy to read and understand. My favorite versions of the Bible are the NIV, Message, NLT, NKJV, TLB and Amplified.

4. A Journal

What you hold in your hand is a great journal designed for you to write in. The Bible Reading Plan to do your S.O.A.P. Devotion is on the following pages.

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In Your Journal, Focus on 4 Distinct Areas:

Scripture

Each day, as you do your daily Bible reading, there will be a verse or a few verses that will grab your heart. Write the verse or verses that spoke to you during your reading.

Observation

Write down what the context of the Scripture is. What is happening? Who is it happening to? Why is it happening? This is just your general observation of what is taking place in the verse or verses.

Application

How does the Scripture apply to what is happening to you or in your environment currently? This is where you write down what the verse or verses mean to you, what you hear God saying to you through the Scriptures.

Prayer

Write a prayer to God based on what you just learned and ask Him to help you apply this truth in your life.

Following this devotional method daily will radically touch your heart and bring you closer to God than ever before.









WEEK 1 (JANUARY 1-7)

THE SECRET PLACE: PSALM 91

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

1. List a few of the things that most often get in the way of your spending time with God.
2. What's currently holding you back—mentally, emotionally, spir- itually—from making time with God a priority? Be honest with yourself.
3. Pray and ask God for wisdom and guidance for creating that space to enter the secret place of His presence. Write down a practical plan to prioritize Him every single day. Who can you be accountable to in this area. Who can help you to follow through?









DAY 1 - JANUARY 1

READINGS: GENESIS 1-2; LUKE 1

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DAY 2 - JANUARY 2

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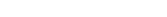
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WEEK 2 (JANUARY 8-14)

FORGIVENESS

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

1. Who do you need to forgive in your life right now? What do you think is holding you back from doing so?
2. How do you think Jesus felt on the cross as He prayed that His murderers would be forgiven? Why do you think He was able to overcome those feelings and forgive?
3. At the root of our unforgiveness is often a misunderstanding of, or a failure to fully grasp, our own forgiveness. Is there anything you haven't forgiven yourself for? Know that God has already wiped your slate clean in that area, and ask for His truth to allow you to forgive yourself!



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READINGS: GENESIS 25-26; PSALM 6; LUKE 10

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DAY 11 - JANUARY 11

READINGS: GENESIS 27-28; PSALM 4; LUKE 11

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DAY 12 - JANUARY 12

READINGS: GENESIS 29-30; LUKE 12

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DAY 13 - JANUARY 13

READINGS: GENESIS 31-33; LUKE 13

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READINGS: GENESIS 34-36; LUKE 14

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WEEK 3 (JANUARY 15-21)

ATTITUDE

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

I. In what area(s) of your life do you currently see a need to have a better attitude? What do you think is contributing to your poor attitude?
2. Why do you think we so often base our attitude and outlook on our circumstances?
3. Can you recall any other Biblical accounts of those who endured difficult circumstances with a positive attitude? How were they able to do this in each instance?







DAY 15 - JANUARY 15

READINGS: GENESIS 37-38; PSALM 7; LUKE 15

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ATTITUDE

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DAY 16 - JANUARY 16

READINGS: GENESIS 39-41; LUKE 16

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DAY 17 - JANUARY 17

READINGS: GENESIS 42-43; PSALM 5; LUKE 17

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ATTITUDE

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DAY 19 - JANUARY 19

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ATTITUDE

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DAY 21 - JANUARY 21

READINGS: EXODUS 1-2; PSALM 88; LUKE 21

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WEEK 4 (JANUARY 22-28)

HEALING

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

I. In what areas of your life do you need God's healing touch right now?
2. Who else in your life needs healing? How can you pray for them coday?
3. Do you struggle at all with believing that God is able and willing to heal you? If so, what Bible verses can you find that speak to His dentity as Healer?



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DAY 25 - JANUARY 25

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DAY 26 - JANUARY 26

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DAY 27 - JANUARY 27

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DAY 28 - JANUARY 28

READINGS: EXODUS 21-22; PSALM 12; ACTS 4

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WEEK 5 (JANUARY 29-FEBRUARY 4)

EMPLOYMENT AND JOBS

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. Are you currently struggling in the area of your employment? If so, how?
2. Looking back, how can you thank God for His provision in the area of employment in the past?
3. Who else needs your prayers in this area today? Take a few minutes to lift them up to God.



DAY 29 - JANUARY 29

READINGS: EXODUS 23-24; PSALM 14; ACTS 5

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DAY 30 - JANUARY 30

READINGS: EXODUS 25-27; ACTS 6

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DAY 31 - JANUARY 31

READINGS: EXODUS 28-29; ACTS 7

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DAY 32 - FEBRUARY 1

READINGS: EXODUS 30-32; ACTS 8

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DAY 33 - FEBRUARY 2

READINGS: EXODUS 33-34; PSALM 16; ACTS 9

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DAY 34 - FEBRUARY 3

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DAY 35 - FEBRUARY 4

READINGS: EXODUS 37-38; PSALM 19; ACTS 11

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WEEK 6 (FEBRUARY 5-11)

LEADERSHIP DECISIONS

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

1. What difficult leadership decisions are you facing right now in your life?
2. Do you find it difficult to turn to God first in decision-making? If so, what do you think makes this difficult?
3. How can you lift up another leader in your sphere of influence today? How can you practically reach out and help this person?



DAY 36 - FEBRUARY 5

READINGS: EXODUS 39-40; PSALM 15; ACTS 12

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DAY 37 - FEBRUARY 6

READINGS: LEVITICUS 1-3; ACTS 13

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DAY 38 - FEBRUARY 7

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DAY 39 - FEBRUARY 8

READINGS: LEVITICUS 7-9; ACTS 15

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DAY 40 - FEBRUARY 9

READINGS: LEVITICUS 10-12; ACTS 16

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DAY 41 - FEBRUARY 10

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DAY 42 - FEBRUARY 11

READINGS: LEVITICUS 15-17; ACTS 18

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WEEK 7 (FEBRUARY 12-18)

PEACE

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. What questions do have about the peace of God and how it's given to you?
2. What relationships in your life need prayer in this area today? How might God be calling you to surrender these relationships to Him?
3. How do we see Jesus walking in peace in the Bible—both in understanding of His peace with God and in His relationships with others?



DAY 43 - FEBRUARY 12

READINGS: LEVITICUS 18-19; PSALM 13; ACTS 19

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DAY 44 - FEBRUARY 13

READINGS: LEVITICUS 20-22; ACTS 20

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DAY 45 - FEBRUARY 14

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DAY 46 - FEBRUARY 15

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DAY 47 - FEBRUARY 16

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DAY 48 - FEBRUARY 17

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DAY 49 - FEBRUARY 18

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WEEK 8 (FEBRUARY 19-25)

FEAR AND ANXIETY

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. What specific fears are you bringing before God today?
2. Do you know any trusted people who have been through something similar? How can you reach out for support and reassurance coday?
3. Who in your life needs your prayers? Who do you know who is experiencing fear and anxiety?









DAY 50 - FEBRUARY 19

READINGS: NUMBERS 5-6; PSALM 22; ACTS 26

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DAY 51 - FEBRUARY 20

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DAY 52 - FEBRUARY 21

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DAY 53 - FEBRUARY 22

READINGS: NUMBERS 10-11; PSALM 27; MARK 1

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DAY 54 - FEBRUARY 23

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DAY 55 - FEBRUARY 24

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DAY 56 - FEBRUARY 25

READINGS: NUMBERS 17-18; PSALM 29; MARK 4

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WEEK 9 (FEBRUARY 26-MARCH 4)

THANKFULNESS

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. What are some of the things that immediately come to mind that you can thank God for today?
2. In what areas have you struggled to give Him praise? Why do you think that is?
3. Who can you contact today and encourage, as you both remember what God has done in your lives—both individually and cogether?



DAY 57 - FEBRUARY 26

READINGS: NUMBERS 19-20; PSALM 28; MARK 5

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DAY 58 - FEBRUARY 27

READINGS: NUMBERS 21-23; MARK 6-7

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DAY 59 - FEBRUARY 28

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DAY 60 - MARCH 1

READINGS: NUMBERS 28-29; MARK 8

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DAY 61 - MARCH 2

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DAY 62 - MARCH 3

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DAY 63 - MARCH 4

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WEEK 10 (MARCH 5-11)

GUIDANCE AND WISDOM

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. In what areas do you need wisdom currently? Specifically, what do you need God's help with right now?
2. Who has God placed in your life who could be a source of visdom? How can you reach out to this person?
i. Write a prayer asking God for His amazing wisdom, and surrendering your next steps to His direction.





DAY 64 - MARCH 5

READINGS: DEUTERONOMY 1-2; MARK 12

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DAY 65 - MARCH 6

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DAY 66 - MARCH 7

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DAY 67 - MARCH 8

READINGS: DEUTERONOMY 7-9; MARK 15

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DAY 68 - MARCH 9

READINGS: DEUTERONOMY 10-12; MARK 16

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DAY 69 - MARCH 10

READINGS: DEUTERONOMY 13-15; GALATIANS 1

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DAY 70 - MARCH 11

READINGS: DEUTERONOMY 16-18; PSALM 38; GALATIANS 2

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WEEK 11 (MARCH 12-18)

FINISHING WELL

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. Who are some of the other "runners"—believing Christ-folowers—who are around you right now? Do any of them need your support and encouragement to keep going?
2. How does it make you feel to know that finishing the race isn't something you can do in your own strength?
3. What parts of your faith is Jesus currently authoring and per- ecting? Write a prayer thanking Him for His personalized love and attention!









DAY 71 - MARCH 12

READINGS: DEUTERONOMY 19-21; GALATIANS 3

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DAY 72 - MARCH 13

READINGS: DEUTERONOMY 22-24; GALATIANS 4

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DAY 73 - MARCH 14

READINGS: DEUTERONOMY 25-27; GALATIANS 5

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DAY 74 - MARCH 15

READINGS: DEUTERONOMY 28-29; GALATIANS 6

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DAY 75 - MARCH 16

READINGS: DEUTERONOMY 30-31;

PSALM 40; 1 CORINTHIANS 1

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DAY 76 - MARCH 17

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WEEK 12 (MARCH 19-25)

REVIVAL

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. Where have you seen God bring about revival in your life in the past? In your family? In your community?
2. What areas do you currently need God to revive?
3. Are there any areas in which you need to lay down your own wishes and plans in order to submit to His (finances, parenting, mental/emotional/physical health, patience in general, etc.)?





DAY 78 - MARCH 19

READINGS: JOSHUA 3-6; 1 CORINTHIANS 4

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DAY 79 - MARCH 20

READINGS: JOSHUA 7-8; PSALM 69; 1 CORINTHIANS 5

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DAY 80 - MARCH 21

READINGS: JOSHUA 9-11; 1 CORINTHIANS 6

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DAY 81 - MARCH 22

READINGS: JOSHUA 12-14; 1 CORINTHIANS 7

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DAY 82 - MARCH 23

READINGS: JOSHUA 15-17; 1 CORINTHIANS 8

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DAY 83 - MARCH 24

READINGS: JOSHUA 18-20; 1 CORINTHIANS 9

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DAY 84 - MARCH 25

READINGS: JOSHUA 21-22;

PSALM 47; 1 CORINTHIANS 10

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WEEK 13 (MARCH 26-APRIL 1)

SERVANT LEADERSHIP

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. What aspects of your leadership are you clinging to and priortizing over others and over God's voice (agendas, titles, preferences, etc.)?
2. What stands out to you about Jesus' leadership and life? How is t different from the leadership ethic of the world?
3. Who in your leadership world is God pushing you to invest in and get to know more? How can you deepen your relationship with this person?





DAY 85 - MARCH 26

READINGS: JOSHUA 23-24;

PSALM 44; 1 CORINTHIANS 11

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DAY 86 - MARCH 27

READINGS: JUDGES 1-3; 1 CORINTHIANS 12

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DAY 87 - MARCH 28

READINGS: JUDGES 4-5; PSALM 39, 41;
1 CORINTHIANS 13

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DAY 88 - MARCH 29

READINGS: JUDGES 6-7; PSALM 52; 1 CORINTHIANS 14

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DAY 89 - MARCH 30

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DAY 90 - MARCH 31

READINGS: JUDGES 9-10; PSALM 49; 1 CORINTHIANS 16

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DAY 91 - APRIL 1

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READINGS: JUDGES 11-12;
PSALM 50; 2 CORINTHIANS 1









WEEK 14 (APRIL 2-8)

HUMILITY

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. Where can you sense a need for more humility in your own heart?
2. What stands out to you about the humble people in your life? How can you identify them (what characteristics indicate a spirit of numility in others)?
3. Write a prayer asking God to develop the humility of Jesus in you!





DAY 92 - APRIL 2

READINGS: JUDGES 13-16; 2 CORINTHIANS 2

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DAY 93 - APRIL 3

READINGS: JUDGES 17-18;
PSALM 89; 2 CORINTHIANS 3

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DAY 94 - APRIL 4

READINGS: JUDGES 19-21; 2 CORINTHIANS 4

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DAY 95 - APRIL 5

READINGS: RUTH 1-2; PSALM 53, 61; 2 CORINTHIANS 5

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DAY 96 - APRIL 6

READINGS: RUTH 3-4; PSALM 64-65; 2 CORINTHIANS 6

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DAY 97 - APRIL 7

READINGS: 1 SAMUEL 1-2; PSALM 66; 2 CORINTHIANS 7

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DAY 98 - APRIL 8

READINGS: 1 SAMUEL 3-5;

PSALM 77; 2 CORINTHIANS 8

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WEEK 15 (APRIL 9-15)

HOLY SPIRIT

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

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DAY 99 - APRIL 9

READINGS: 1 SAMUEL 6-7;

PSALM 72; 2 CORINTHIANS 9

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DAY 100 - APRIL 10

READINGS: 1 SAMUEL 8-10; 2 CORINTHIANS 10

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DAY 101 - APRIL 11

READINGS: 1 SAMUEL 11-12;

1 CHRONICLES 1; 2 CORINTHIANS 11

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DAY 102 - APRIL 12

READINGS: 1 SAMUEL 13; 1 CHRONICLES 2-3; 2 CORINTHIANS 12

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DAY 103 - APRIL 13

READINGS: 1 SAMUEL 14; 1 CHRONICLES 4; 2 CORINTHIANS 13

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DAY 104 - APRIL 14

READINGS: 1 SAMUEL 15-16;
1 CHRONICLES 5; MATTHEW 1

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DAY 105 - APRIL 15

READINGS: 1 SAMUEL 17; PSALM 9; MATTHEW 2

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WEEK 16 (APRIL 16-22)

PRAYING FOR OTHERS

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. Who is God leading you to pray for today? Why do you think He's prought this person/these people to your mind?
2. What jumps out at you about the story of Moses and the Israel- tes? What about Jesus' intercession for us?
3. Many times, we struggle to ask for support from others. Who can you ask to intercede for you today?





DAY 106 - APRIL 16

READINGS: 1 SAMUEL 18; 1 CHRONICLES 6;
PSALM 11; MATTHEW 3

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DAY 107 - APRIL 17

READINGS: 1 SAMUEL 19; 1 CHRONICLES 7;
PSALM 59; MATTHEW 4

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DAY 108 - APRIL 18

READINGS: 1 SAM	UEL 20-21;	PSALM 34	MATTHEW 5
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DAY 109 - APRIL 19

READINGS:	1 SAMUEL	22; PSA	LM 17, 35	MATTHEW	6
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DAY 110 - APRIL 20

READINGS: 1	SAMUEL	23;	PSALM	31, 5	4; MA	THEV	V 7
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DAY 111 - APRIL 21

READINGS: 1 SAMUEL 24; PSALM 57-58; 1 CHRONICLES 8; MATTHEW 8

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DAY 112 - APRIL 22

READINGS: 1	SAMUEL	25-26;	PSALM	63;	MATTHEW	9
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WEEK 17 (APRIL 23-29)

UNITY

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

1. What do you see as the most pressing source of disunity in your church or community right now?
2. Are there any ways in which you are contributing to this disunity? Ask God to search your heart and reveal to you any such areas.
3. In what ways have you allowed your identity as a son or daughter of God—and the same identity of your brothers and sisters in Christ—to be overshadowed by smaller differences and disagreements?





DAY 113 - APRIL 23

READINGS: 1 SAMUEL 27; PSALM 141, 1 CHRONICLES 9; MATTHEW 10

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DAY 114 - APRIL 24

READINGS: 1 SAMUEL 28-29;
PSALM 109; MATTHEW 11

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DAY 115 - APRIL 25

READINGS: 1 SAMUEL 30-31; 1 CHRONICLES 10; MATTHEW 12

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DAY 116 - APRIL 26

READINGS: 2 SAMUEL 1; PSALM 140; MATTHEW 13

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DAY 117 - APRIL 27

READINGS: 2 SAMUEL 2; 1 CHRONICLES 11;
PSALM 142; MATTHEW 14

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DAY 118 - APRIL 28

READINGS: 2 SAMUEL 3; 1 CHRONICLES 12; MATTHEW 15

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DAY 119 - APRIL 29

READINGS: 2 SAI	MUEL 4-5;	PSALM 13	9; МАТТН	EW 16
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WEEK 18 (APRIL 30-MAY 6)

GOD-CENTERED STRATEGY

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. Strategizing and vision-casting on a human level is still useful—as long as we're submitting all of our ways to the Lord. How have other people helped you to realize God's strategy for your life?
2. In what strategic areas do you need to invite God to take the driver's seat in your life? What makes this difficult for you?
3. How does it make you feel to know that, at the end of the day, you truly control very little (if anything) in relation to your own life? Why do you think James wants to drive this point home with his audience?









DAY 120 - APRIL 30

READINGS: 2 SAMUEL 6; 1 CHRONICLES 13;
PSALM 68; MATTHEW 17

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DAY 121 - MAY 1

READINGS: 1 CHRONICLES 14-15;
PSALM 132; MATTHEW 18

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DAY 122 - MAY 2

READINGS: 1 CHRONICLES 16;

PSALM 106; MATTHEW 19

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DAY 123 - MAY 3

READINGS: 2 SAMUEL 7; 1 CHRONICLES 17;
PSALM 2; MATTHEW 20

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DAY 124 - MAY 4

READINGS: 2 SAMUEL 8-9;
1 CHRONICLES 18-19; MATTHEW 21

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DAY 125 - MAY 5

READINGS: 2 SAMUEL 10; 1 CHRONICLES 20;
PSALM 20; MATTHEW 22

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DAY 126 - MAY 6

READINGS: 2	SAMUEL	11-12;	PSALM	51; M	ATTHEW	23
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WEEK 19 (MAY 7-13)

FAMILY

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. Why do you think family members are often some of the people we struggle to get along with the most?
2. In your own words, how does experiencing and understanding God's love lead to healthy families? How does a misunderstanding of God's love lead to unhealthy families?
3. Who is God leading you to love more in your family? How can you bring unity and security to these relationships right now?





DAY 127 - MAY 7

READINGS: 2 SAMUEL 13-14; MATTHEW 24

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DAY 128 - MAY 8

READINGS: 2	SAMUEL	15-16;	PSALM	32; M	ATTHEW	25
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DAY 129 - MAY 9

READINGS: 2 SAMUEL 17; PSALM 71; MATTHEW 26

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DAY 130 - MAY 10

READINGS: 2 SAMUEL 18; PSALM 56; MATTHEW 27

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DAY 131 - MAY 11

READINGS: 2 SAMUEL 19-20;

PSALM 55; MATTHEW 28

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DAY 132 - MAY 12

READINGS: 2 SAMUEL 21-23; 1 THESSALONIANS 1

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DAY 133 - MAY 13

READINGS: 2 SAMUEL 24; 1 CHRONICLES 21;
PSALM 30; 1 THESSALONIANS 2

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WEEK 20 (MAY 14-20)

AWAKENING

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

I. In what areas of your life with Christ have you "fallen asleep"? Explain your answer.
2. Why is it often so much easier to stay "asleep" than to wake up to the truths and purposes God is trying to teach us?
3. Who else needs your prayers as they walk through this journey?









DAY 134 - MAY 14

READINGS: 1 CHRONICLES 22-24;

1 THESSALONIANS 3

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DAY 135 - MAY 15

READINGS: 1 CHRONICLES 25-27; 1 THESSALONIANS 4

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DAY 136 - MAY 16

READINGS: 1 KINGS 1; 1 CHRONICLES 28;

PSALM 91; 1 THESSALONIANS 5

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DAY 137 - MAY 17

READINGS: 1 KINGS 2; 1 CHRONICLES 29;
PSALM 95; 2 THESSALONIANS 1

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DAY 138 - MAY 18

READINGS: 1 KINGS 3; 2 CHRONICLES 1; PSALM 78; 2 THESSALONIANS 2

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DAY 139 - MAY 19

READINGS: 1 KINGS 4-5; 2 CHRONICLES 2;
PSALM 101; 2 THESSALONIANS 3

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DAY 140 - MAY 20

READINGS: 1 KINGS 6; 2 CHRONICLES 3;

PSALM 97; ROMANS 1

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WEEK 21 (MAY 21-27)

COMPASSION

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

I. Where in your own life do you find it difficult to accept God's compassion? Why do you think that is?
2. Is there anyone you struggle to show compassion to in your life? What makes this hard?
3. Write a short prayer asking God to help you understand His compassion more fully, so that you can show it to a world that desperately needs to know the love of God.



DAY 141 - MAY 21

READINGS: 1 KINGS 7; 2 CHRONICLES 4;
PSALM 98; ROMANS 2

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DAY 142 - MAY 22

READINGS: 1 KINGS 8; 2 CHRONICLES 5;
PSALM 99; ROMANS 3

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DAY 143 - MAY 23

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READINGS: 2 CHRONICLES 6-7; PSALM 135; ROMANS 4

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DAY 144 - MAY 24

READINGS: 1 KINGS 9; 2 CHRONICLES 8;
PSALM 136; ROMANS 5

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DAY 145 - MAY 25

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READINGS: 1 KINGS 10-11; 2 CHRONICLES 9; ROMANS 6

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DAY 146 - MAY 26

READINGS: PROVERBS 1-3; ROMANS 7

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DAY 147 - MAY 27

READINGS: PROVERBS 4-6; ROMANS 8

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WEEK 22 (MAY 28-JUNE 3)

DEALING WITH FEAR

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

I. What are the biggest worries in your life currently—the fears that challenge your faith?
2. What strategies, actions, or methods have you tried in your own strength to curtail these fears? What was the result of these actions?
3. Choose one of the two passages of Scripture mentioned in the above reading. In your own words, explain how the prescribed course of action deals with fear in a God-centered way.





DAY 148 - MAY 28

READINGS: PROVERBS 7-9; ROMANS 9

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DAY 149 - MAY 29

READINGS: PROVERBS 10-12; ROMANS 10

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DAY 150 - MAY 30

READINGS: PROVERBS 13-15; ROMANS 11

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DAY 151 - MAY 31

READINGS: PROVERBS 16-18; ROMANS 12

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DAY 152 - JUNE 1

READINGS: PROVERBS 19-21; ROMANS 13

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DAY 153 - JUNE 2

READINGS: PROVERBS 22-24; ROMANS 14

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DAY 154 - JUNE 3

READINGS: PROVERBS 25-27; ROMANS 15

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WEEK 23 (JUNE 4-10)

GOD'S WILL FIRST

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. Which of the passages from Romans have stood out to you? Why do you think this is?
2. Can you identify any areas of your life that indicate a lack of com- plete submission to God's will? What evidence do you see in these areas that you haven't fully surrendered to Him?
3. Reflecting on the example of Christ, what characteristics or qualties will you pray that God develops more fully in you? Spend some ime asking Him to make you more like Jesus in these areas.









DAY 155 - JUNE 4

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DAY 156 - JUNE 5

READINGS: PROVERBS 30-31; PSALM 33; EPHESIANS 1

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DAY 157 - JUNE 6

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READINGS: ECCLESIASTES 1-3; PSALM 45; EPHESIANS 2

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DAY 158 - JUNE 7

READINGS: ECCLESIASTES 4-6;
PSALM 18; EPHESIANS 3

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DAY 159 - JUNE 8

READINGS: ECCLESIASTES 7-9; EPHESIANS 4

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DAY 160 - JUNE 9

READINGS: ECCLESIASTES 10-12;
PSALM 94; EPHESIANS 5

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DAY 161 - JUNE 10

READINGS: SONG OF SONGS 1-4; EPHESIANS 6

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WEEK 24 (JUNE 11-17)

RIGHTEOUSNESS

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

In what ways are you tempted to earn your righteousness in this current season of your life? Why do you think these attempts are appealing?
2. How does it leave you feeling when your plans or goals fall through—when you come up short? Read Romans 8:1-2. What is God's will for you when you fall short?
3. Write a prayer asking God for forgiveness for the times you attempt to earn righteousness on your own. Thank Him for the free gift of salvation, and ask Him to make this truth real to you on a daily basis, in a way that influences the way you live!







DAY 162 - JUNE 11

READINGS: SONG OF SONGS 5-8; PHILIPPIANS 1

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DAY 163 - JUNE 12

READINGS: 1 KINGS 12;

2	CHRONICLES	10-11;	PHILIPPIANS	2

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DAY 164 - JUNE 13

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READINGS: 1 KINGS 13-14; 2 CHRONICLES 12; PHILIPPIANS 3

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DAY 165 - JUNE 14

READINGS: 1 KINGS 15;

2 CHRONICLES; 13-14; PHILIPPIANS 4

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DAY 166 - JUNE 15

READINGS: 1 KINGS 16; 2 CHRONICLES 15-16; COLOSSIANS 1

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DAY 167 - JUNE 16

READINGS: 1 KINGS 17-19; COLOSSIANS 2

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DAY 168 - JUNE 17

READINGS: 1 KINGS 20-21; 2 CHRONICLES 17; COLOSSIANS 3

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WEEK 25 (JUNE 18-24)

SPIRITUAL AMBITION

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. What would you say is the number-one driving force of your spirtual ambition right now? Why do you think that is?
2. Are there any phrases or statements from last week's Philippians passages that stand out to you or refresh your spirit? What are they?
3. Spend some time in prayer asking God to search your heart and reveal any areas in which your spiritual ambition isn't founded in Him. Write down any notes or insights below.







DAY 169 - JUNE 18

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READINGS: 1 KINGS 22; 2 CHRONICLES 18-19; COLOSSIANS 4

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DAY 170 - JUNE 19

READINGS: 2 KINGS 1-3; PSALM 82; 1 TIMOTHY 1

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DAY 171 - JUNE 20

READINGS: 2 KINGS 4-5; PSALM 83; 1 TIMOTHY 2

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DAY 172 - JUNE 21

READINGS: 2 KINGS 6-7;
2 CHRONICLES 20; 1 TIMOTHY 3

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DAY 173 - JUNE 22

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READINGS: 2 KINGS 8-9; 2 CHRONICLES 21; 1 TIMOTHY 4

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DAY 174 - JUNE 23

READINGS: 2 KINGS 10; 2 CHRONICLES 22-23; 1 TIMOTHY 5

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DAY 175 - JUNE 24

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READINGS: 2 KINGS 11-12; 2 CHRONICLES 24; 1 TIMOTHY 6

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WEEK 26 (JUNE 25-JULY 1)

WALKING BY FAITH

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

I. In what areas of your life are you currently struggling to reconcile the truth of God's Word with your circumstances or experience? What makes these areas so challenging?
2. Why do you think Jonah welcomed God's mercy in his own life, but abhorred it when it was offered to the sinful Ninevites? What does this reveal about his heart?
3. Why do you think we often expect to fully understand or grasp God's ways and thoughts? How does this false expectation set us up for frustration, angst, or heartache?







DAY 176 - JUNE 25

READINGS: JOEL 1-3; 2 TIMOTHY 1

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DAY 177 - JUNE 26

READINGS: JONAH 1-4; 2 TIMOTHY 2

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DAY 178 - JUNE 27

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READINGS: 2 KINGS 13-14; 2 CHRONICLES 25; 2 TIMOTHY 3

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DAY 179 - JUNE 28

READINGS: AMOS 1-3; PSALM 80; 2 TIMOTHY 4

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DAY 180 - JUNE 29

READINGS: AMOS 4-6; PSALM 86; TITUS 1

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DAY 181 - JUNE 30

READINGS: AMOS 7-9; PSALM 104; TITUS 2

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DAY 182 - JULY 1

READINGS: ISAIAH 1-3; TITUS 3

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WEEK 27 (JULY 2-8)

GOD'S OUTSTRETCHED ARM

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

1. Why do you think God chose the phrase "outstretched arm" as a synonym for His powerful authority?
2. How does knowing that you serve an omnipotent God change your perspective on your circumstances? What about your perspective of yourself?
3. Why is it so important that God has ultimate authority and power? In other words, what would be at stake if God wasn't completely omnipotent?





DAY 183 - JULY 2

READINGS: ISAIAH 4-5; PSALM 115-116; JUDE

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DAY 184 - JULY 3

READINGS: ISAIAH 6-7; 2 CHRONICLES 26-27; PHILEMON

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DAY 185 - JULY 4

READINGS: 2 KINGS 15-16; HOSEA 1; HEBREWS 1

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DAY 186 - JULY 5

READINGS: HOSEA 2-5; HEBREWS 2

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DAY 187 - JULY 6

READINGS: HOSEA 6-9; HEBREWS 3

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DAY 188 - JULY 7

READINGS: HOSEA 10-12; PSALM 73; HEBREWS 4

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DAY 189 - JULY 8

READINGS: HOSEA 13-14;
PSALM 100, 102; HEBREWS 5

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WEEK 28 (JULY 9-15)

STRUCK DOWN BUT NOT DESTROYED

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

l. In what ways has your faith in Christ resulted in you being "struck down" in the past and/or in the present?
2. How would you explain the connection between sharing in Christ's death and sharing in His life, based on Romans 6:3-8?
3. Pray that God will open your eyes to this truth even more, giving you strength to endure the battles and trials of this life, and a hopeful perspective fixed on the eternal life you have in Him!









DAY 190 - JULY 9

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READINGS: MICAH 1-4; HEBREWS 6

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DAY 191 - JULY 10

READINGS: MICAH 5-7; HEBREWS 7

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DAY 192 - JULY 11

READINGS: ISAIAH 8-10; HEBREWS 8

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DAY 193 - JULY 12

READINGS: ISAIAH 11-14; HEBREWS 9

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DAY 194 - JULY13

READINGS: ISAIAH 15-18; HEBREWS 10

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DAY 195 - JULY 14

READINGS: ISAIAH 19-21; HEBREWS 11

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DAY 196 - JULY 15

READINGS: ISAIAH 22-24; HEBREWS 12

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WEEK 29 (JULY 16-22)

RENEW OUR MINDS

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

After reading the John 17 passage, why do you think Jesus doesn't isk the Father to take His disciples out of the world? How would you describe the difference between being "in the world" and "of he world"?
2. In what areas of your mind do you need God's renewing power? What influences have contributed to a false or misguided men- ality in these areas?
s. Who is God calling you to reach out to this Week with His ruth? How practically can you love, serve, and share with these ndividuals?









DAY 197 - JULY 16

READINGS: ISAIAH 25-28; HEBREWS 13

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DAY 198 - JULY 17

READINGS: ISAIAH 29-31; JAMES 1

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DAY 199 - JULY 18

READINGS: ISAIAH 32-35; JAMES 2

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DAY 200 - JULY 19

READINGS: 2 KINGS 17; 2 CHRONICLES 28;
PSALM 46; JAMES 3

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DAY 201 - JULY 20

READINGS: 2 CHRONICLES 29-31; JAMES 4

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DAY 202 - JULY 21

READINGS: 2 KINGS 18-19; 2 CHRONICLES 32; JAMES 5

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DAY 203 - JULY 22

READINGS: ISAIAH 36-37; PSALM 76; 1 PETER 1

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WEEK 30 (JULY 23-29)

REVIVE OUR HEARTS

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

I. What intentionality do you see on God's part in the Isaiah passages above? What does this tell you about His character and His heart?
2. Looking at the passage from Isaiah 42, what actions do you see on behalf of the "Servant" that will bring comfort and revival to God's people?
3. Read Isaiah 56:6-8. How does the work of Jesus Christ fulfill this Old Testament promise? How does this expand your perspective of the heart of God towards all humanity?



DAY 204 - JULY 23

READINGS: 2 KINGS 20; ISAIAH 38-39; PSALM 75; 1 PETER 2

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DAY 205 - JULY 24

READINGS: ISAIAH 40-42; 1 PETER 3

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DAY 206 - JULY 25

READINGS: ISAIAH 43-45; 1 PETER 4

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DAY 207 - JULY 26

READINGS: ISAIAH 46-49; 1 PETER 5

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DAY 208 - JULY 27

READINGS: ISAIAH 50-52; PSALM 92; 2 PETER 1

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DAY 209 - JULY 28

READINGS: ISAIAH 53-56; 2 PETER 2

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DAY 210 - JULY 29

READINGS: ISAIAH 57-59; PSALM 103; 2 PETER 3

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WEEK 31 (JULY 30-AUGUST 5)

VICTORY IN JESUS

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. What things, circumstances, or factors in your daily life tend to take your focus off the victory you have in Jesus Christ?
2. How have you seen evidence of Christ's victory, even in the little details of your everyday life?
3. What are 1-2 practical ways you can keep this victory in the fore- front of your mind as you go about normal responsibilities and encounter everyday challenges?





DAY 211 - JULY 30

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READINGS: ISAIAH 60-62; JOHN 1

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DAY 212 - JULY 31

READINGS: ISAIAH 63-64; PSALM 107; JOHN 2

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DAY 213 - AUGUST 1

READINGS: ISAIAH 65-66; PSALM 62; JOHN 3

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DAY 214 - AUGUST 2

READINGS: 2 KINGS 21; 2 CHRONICLES 33; JOHN 4

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DAY 215 - AUGUST 3

READINGS: NAHUM 1-3; JOHN 5

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DAY 216 - AUGUST 4

READINGS: 2 KINGS 22; 2 CHRONICLES 34; JOHN 6

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DAY 217 - AUGUST 5

READINGS: 2 KINGS 23; 2 CHRONICLES 35; JOHN 7

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WEEK 32 (AUGUST 6-12)

FRESH WIND

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. What are some things the Holy Spirit has revealed to you about God, based on Scripture, in the past?
2. What are some of the insights or answers to questions you would
ike to receive from the Holy Spirit in the future?
3. Why do you think Jesus told His disciples to wait for the Holy Spirit's indwelling before they went out to share the Good News?





DAY 218 - AUGUST 6

READINGS: HABAKKUK 1-3; JOHN 8

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DAY 219 - AUGUST 7

READINGS: ZEPHANIAH 1-3; JOHN 9

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DAY 220 - AUGUST 8

READINGS: JEREMIAH 1-2; JOHN 10

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DAY 221 - AUGUST 9

READINGS: JEREMIAH 3-4; JOHN 11

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DAY 222 - AUGUST 10

READINGS: JEREMIAH 5-6; JOHN 12

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DAY 223 - AUGUST 11

READINGS: JEREMIAH 7-9; JOHN 13

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DAY 224 - AUGUST 12

READINGS: JEREMIAH 10-12; JOHN 14

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WEEK 33 (AUGUST 13-19)

SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. In what sphere(s) of influence has God given you leadership apacity already?
do to lead more effectively?
5. Think about other spiritual leaders in your life whom you can mentor and pour into—who are they?









DAY 225 - AUGUST 13

READINGS: JEREMIAH 13-15; JOHN 15

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DAY 226 - AUGUST 14

READINGS: JEREMIAH 16-17; PSALM 96; JOHN 16

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DAY 227 - AUGUST 15

READINGS: JEREMIAH 18-20; PSALM 93; JOHN 17

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DAY 228 - AUGUST 16

READINGS: 2 KINGS 24; JEREMIAH 22;
PSALM 112; JOHN 18

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DAY 229 - AUGUST 17

READINGS: JEREMIAH 23, 25; JOHN 19

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DAY 230 - AUGUST 18

READINGS: JEREMIAH 26, 35, 36; JOHN 20

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DAY 231 - AUGUST 19

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WEEK 34 (AUGUST 20-26)

THE GREAT I AM

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. What truths about God's character stand out to you in the name He chose for Himself— "I Am who I Am"?
. Why is this a claim that God alone can make?
5. How does the truth of God's identity influence the way we think, behave, and live?









DAY 232 - AUGUST 20

READINGS: JEREMIAH 48-49; PSALM 67; 1 JOHN 1

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DAY 233 - AUGUST 21

READINGS: JEREMIAH 21, 24, 27;

PSALM 118; 1 JOHN 2

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DAY 234 - AUGUST 22

READINGS: JEREMIAH 28-30; 1 JOHN 3

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DAY 235 - AUGUST 23

READINGS: JEREMIAH 31-32; 1 JOHN 4

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DAY 236 - AUGUST 24

READINGS: JEREMIAH 33-34; PSALM 74; 1 JOHN 5

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DAY 237 - AUGUST 25

READINGS: JEREMIAH 37-39; PSALM 79; 2 JOHN

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DAY 238 - AUGUST 26

READINGS: JEREMIAH 50-51; 3 JOHN

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WEEK 35 (AUGUST 27-SEPTEMBER 2)

WHO ARE WE?

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

1. What other "categories," "labels," or "identities" do you identify with in life?
2. How do the passages shared in this week's reading change your perspective on what it means to be a child of God? How is this identity unique from the others you listed above?
3. How does it make you feel to know that, no matter what, your identity as a child of God is unshakable and unchangeable?





DAY 239 - AUGUST 27

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READINGS: JEREMIAH 52;

REVELATION 1; PSALM 143-144

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DAY 240 - AUGUST 28

READINGS: EZEKIEL 1-3; REVELATION 2

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DAY 241 - AUGUST 29

READINGS: EZEKIEL 4-7; REVELATION 3

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DAY 242 - AUGUST 30

READINGS: EZEKIEL 8-11; REVELATION 4

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DAY 243 - AUGUST 31

READINGS: EZEKIEL 12-14; REVELATION 5

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DAY 244 - SEPTEMBER 1

READINGS:	EZEKIEL	15-16;	PSALM	70;	REVEL	ATION 6	õ
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DAY 245 - SEPTEMBER 2

READINGS: EZEKIEL 17-19; REVELATION 7

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WEEK 36 (SEPTEMBER 3-9)

OVERFLOW

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

I. Think of just a few of the ways God has lavished His goodness upon you to date. Which ones stand out the most?
2. Why do you think it's so easy to become fixated on what we don't have, or what we're asking God for currently?
3. Think of 1-2 practical ways you can make gratitude and thankfulness part of your daily routine. How can you acknowledge and worship God for His overflowing goodness to you?





DAY 246 - SEPTEMBER 3

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READINGS: EZEKIEL 20-21; PSALM 111; REVELATION 8

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DAY 247 - SEPTEMBER 4

READINGS: EZEKIEL 22-24; REVELATION 9

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DAY 248 - SEPTEMBER 5

READINGS: EZEKIEL 25-28; REVELATION 10

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DAY 249 - SEPTEMBER 6

READINGS: EZEKIEL 29-32; REVELATION 11

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DAY 250 - SEPTEMBER 7

READINGS: 2 KINGS 25; 2 CHRONICLES 36; JEREMIAH 40-41; REVELATION 12

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DAY 251 - SEPTEMBER 8

READINGS: JEREMIAH 42-44;
PSALM 48; REVELATION 13

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DAY 252 - SEPTEMBER 9

READINGS: LAMENTATIONS 1-2; OBADIAH; REVELATION 14

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WEEK 37 (SEPTEMBER 10-16)

GOD IN THE WHISPER

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

I. How was God's response to Elijah different than our typical response when someone we know is at their wits' end?
2. Read all of 1 Kings 19. What specific things does God do to rejuvenate, encourage, and speak life into Elijah?
3. How can this passage inform the way we speak to ourselves and to others who are struggling to keep going? How can we integrate more of God's gentleness and care into our response?





DAY 253 - SEPTEMBER 10

READINGS: LAMENTATIONS 3-5; REVELATION 15

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DAY 254 - SEPTEMBER 11

READINGS: DANIEL 1-2; REVELATION 16

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DAY 255 - SEPTEMBER 12

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DAY 256 - SEPTEMBER 13

READINGS: EZEKIEL 33-35; REVELATION 18

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DAY 257 - SEPTEMBER 14

READINGS: EZEKIEL 36-37;
PSALM 110; REVELATION 19

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DAY 258 - SEPTEMBER 15

READINGS: EZEKIEL 38-39; PSALM 145; REVELATION 20

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DAY 259 - SEPTEMBER 16

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READINGS: EZEKIEL 40-41; PSALM 128; REVELATION 21

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WEEK 38 (SEPTEMBER 17-23)

THE POWER OF INTERCESSION

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. Did you know that both Jesus and the Holy Spirit are making ntercession for you right now? How does this make you feel?
2. What does this intercession reveal to us about God's heart and character?
3. Who in your life is struggling right now? How can you intercede for them, going before God on their behalf? What can you ask Himfor?



DAY 260 - SEPTEMBER 17

READINGS: EZEKIEL 42-44; REVELATION 22

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DAY 261 - SEPTEMBER 18

READINGS: EZEKIEL 45-46; LUKE 1

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DAY 262 - SEPTEMBER 19

READINGS: EZEKIEL 47-48; LUKE 2

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DAY 263 - SEPTEMBER 20

READINGS: DANIEL 5-6; PSALM 130; LUKE 3

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DAY 264 - SEPTEMBER 21

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READINGS: DANIEL 7-8; PSALM 137; LUKE 4

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DAY 265 - SEPTEMBER 22

READINGS: DANIEL 9-10; PSALM 123; LUKE 5

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DAY 266 - SEPTEMBER 23

READINGS: DANIEL 11-12; LUKE 6

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WEEK 39 (SEPTEMBER 24-30)

THE POWER OF LOVE

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. Have you considered the impact of Jesus' earliest days in this way pefore? What do these passages reveal about the powerful effect of love?
2. In what ways do we sometimes overcomplicate love? According to Scripture and according to Jesus' example, what is love at its essence?
3. How can you practically share the power of God's love with others n your life this week?









DAY 267 - SEPTEMBER 24

READINGS: EZRA 1; PSALM 84-85; LUKE 7

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DAY 268 - SEPTEMBER 25

READINGS: EZRA 2-3; LUKE 8

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DAY 269 - SEPTEMBER 26

READINGS: EZRA 4; PSALM 113, 127; LUKE 9

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DAY 270 - SEPTEMBER 27

READINGS: HAGGAI 1-2; PSALM 129; LUKE 10

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DAY 271 - SEPTEMBER 28

READINGS: ZECHARIAH 1-3; LUKE 11

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DAY 272 - SEPTEMBER 29

READINGS: ZECHARIAH 4-6; LUKE 12

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DAY 273 - SEPTEMBER 30

READINGS: ZECHARIAH 7-9; LUKE 13

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WEEK 40 (OCTOBER 1-7)

SPEAK IT

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

1. Where do your words most often deviate from the truth of God's Word? How so?
2. What truths or realities would you like your words to center on more this week?
3. How can you partner with God to renew your thoughts so that your words are likewise renewed?





DAY 274 - OCTOBER 1

READINGS: ZEC	HARIAH	10-12;	PSALM	126;	LUKE 14
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DAY 275 - OCTOBER 2

READINGS: ZECHARIAH 13-14; PSALM 147; LUKE 15









DAY 276 - OCTOBER 3

READINGS: EZRA 5-6; PSALM 138; LUKE 16

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DAY 277 - OCTOBER 4

READINGS: ESTHER 1-2; PSALM 150; LUKE 17

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DAY 278 - OCTOBER 5

READINGS: ESTHER 3-8; LUKE 18

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DAY 279 - OCTOBER 6

READINGS: ESTHER 9-10; LUKE 19

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DAY 280 - OCTOBER 7

READINGS: EZRA 7-8; LUKE 20

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WEEK 41 (OCTOBER 8-14)

ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. What are some of the blessings in your life that you haven't hanked God for in a while? Why are you specifically grateful for these blessings?
2. List a few of the things that you find yourself grumbling about or complaining about most often. What cultural or relational influences do you think contribute to this habit in your life right now?
3. What do you think was going through the minds of the nine former lepers who didn't return to thank Jesus?









DAY 281 - OCTOBER 8

READINGS: EZRA 9-10; PSALM 131; LUKE 21

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DAY 282 - OCTOBER 9

READINGS: NEHEMIAH 1-2; PSALM 133; LUKE 22

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DAY 283 - OCTOBER 10

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READINGS: NEHEMIAH 3-4; LUKE 23

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DAY 284 - OCTOBER 11

READINGS: NEHEMIAH 5-6; PSALM 146; LUKE 24

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DAY 285 - OCTOBER 12

READINGS: NEHEMIAH 7-8; ACTS 1

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DAY 286 - OCTOBER 13

READINGS: NEHEMIAH 9-10; ACTS 2

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DAY 287 - OCTOBER 14

READINGS: NEHEMIAH 11-12; PSALM 1; ACTS 3

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WEEK 42 (OCTOBER 15-21)

BE STILL AND KNOW

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

l. For you, what things most often get in the way of spending time with God?
2. Do you feel like you have the ability to be still? Or is this a heart posture you haven't been able to access or enjoy in a long time? Explain your answer.
3. How can you practically make space to be still and sit in God's presence this week? What things will need to be shifted around or eliminated from your schedule in order for this to happen?





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DAY 289 - OCTOBER 16

READINGS: MALACHI 3-4; PSALM 148; ACTS 5

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DAY 290 - OCTOBER 17

READINGS: JOB 1-2; ACTS 6-7

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DAY 291 - OCTOBER 18

READINGS: JOB 3; ACTS 8-9

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DAY 292 - OCTOBER 19

READINGS: JOB 4-5; PSALM 108; ACTS 10-11

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DAY 293 - OCTOBER 20

READINGS: JOB 6-7; ACTS 12

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DAY 294 - OCTOBER 21

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READINGS: JOB 8; ACTS 13-14

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WEEK 43 (OCTOBER 22-28)

HOLY SPIRIT POWER

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

I. How does the Holy Spirit's power in Acts 7 look different than what we often think it will look like?
2. What specific evidences do you see in this passage of Stephen 351
2. What specific evidences do you see in this passage of Stephen 351 experiencing the Spirit's supernatural strength?
3. How might the Holy Spirit want to move and act in your life? What challenges might He help you to endure, overcome, or withstand?





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READINGS: JOB 9-10; ACTS 15-16

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READINGS: JOB 11; ACTS 17-18

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DAY 297 - OCTOBER 24

READINGS: JOB 12-14; ACTS 19-20

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DAY 298 - OCTOBER 25

READINGS: JOB 15; ACTS 21-23

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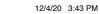
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READINGS: JOB 16-17; ACTS 24-26

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DAY 300 - OCTOBER 27

READINGS: JOB 18; PSALM 114; ACTS 27-28

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DAY 301 - OCTOBER 28

READINGS: JOB 19; MARK 1-2

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WEEK 44 (OCTOBER 29-NOVEMBER 4)

HEARING GOD CLEARLY

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. How comfortable are you currently in hearing and discerning the voice of God? Explain your answer.
2. What risks do we run when we try to hear/interpret God's voice without spending time in His Word or asking the Holy Spirit for guidance? What can go wrong?
3. How would you like to improve your spiritual "hearing sense" in
chis area? What are some practical steps you can take to do so?







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READINGS: JOB 20; MARK 3-4

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DAY 303 - OCTOBER 30

READINGS: JOB 21; MARK 5-6

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READINGS: JOB 22; MARK 7-8

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READINGS: PSALM 121; MARK 9-10

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DAY 307 - NOVEMBER 3

READINGS: JOB 25; MARK 13-14

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READINGS: JOB 26-27; MARK 15-16

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WEEK 45 (NOVEMBER 5-11)

BROKEN BUT BLESSED

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

I. What current brokenness in your life and your world makes it difficult to remember how blessed you are in Christ?
2. How do these temporal broken places compare with the eternal glory and future you have with God? Does this shift your perspective or approach to these broken places?
3. How do you think the early church's perspective on hardships and spiritual warfare differed from the perspective of the church today? Explain your answer.





DAY 309 - NOVEMBER 5

READINGS: JOB 28-29; GALATIANS 1-2

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DAY 310 - NOVEMBER 6

READINGS: JOB 30; PSALM 120; GALATIANS 3-4

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READINGS: JOB 31-32; GALATIANS 5-6

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READINGS: JOB 33; 1 CORINTHIANS 1-3

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READINGS: JOB 34; 1 CORINTHIANS 4-6

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DAY 314 - NOVEMBER 10

READINGS: JOB 35-36; 1 CORINTHIANS 7-8

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DAY 315 - NOVEMBER 11

READINGS: PSALM 122; 1 CORINTHIANS 9-11

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WEEK 46 (NOVEMBER 12-18)

FREEDOM

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. Based on Galatians 5:1-13, how were the Christians in Galatia misusing the freedom they'd inherited in Christ?
2. How, specifically, do we often misuse this freedom today?
3. How is the Spirit leading you to walk more fully in the freedom you have in Jesus Christ? What changes do you need to make in order to obey Him?



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READINGS: JOB 37-38; 1 CORINTHIANS 12

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DAY 317 - NOVEMBER 13

READINGS: JOB 39-40; 1 CORINTHIANS 13-14

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DAY 318 - NOVEMBER 14

READINGS: PSALM 149; 1 CORINTHIANS 15-16

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DAY 319 - NOVEMBER 15

READINGS: JOB 41-42; 2 CORINTHIANS 1-2

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DAY 321 - NOVEMBER 17

READINGS: 2 CORINTHIANS 7-10

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DAY 322 - NOVEMBER 18

READINGS: PSALM 124; 2 CORINTHIANS 11-13

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WEEK 47 (NOVEMBER 19-25)

PRAY FIRST

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. In a crisis or a hardship, what tends to be your first response?
2. Is there anything holding you back from responding in prayer pefore you do anything else? What makes it difficult to pray first?
3. What ulterior motives or false pretenses do we sometimes adopt when we pray during crisis? In other words, how do we sometimes misuse the "pray first" mandate?





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READINGS: MATTHEW 1-4

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READINGS: MATTHEW 20-22

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WEEK 48 (NOVEMBER 26-DECEMBER 2)

WATCH YOUR MOUTH

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

1. What are some of the main areas of your speech that need to change?
2. In what areas of speech are you currently reflecting God's truth and love to others?
3. Can you identify some of the "triggers" that change your speech from Christ-like to non-Christ-like?



DAY 330 - NOVEMBER 26

READINGS: MATTHEW 23-25

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DAY 331 - NOVEMBER 27

READINGS: PSALM 125; MATTHEW 26-27

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DAY 332 - NOVEMBER 28

READINGS: MATTHEW 28; 1 THESSALONIANS 1-3

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DAY 333 - NOVEMBER 29

READINGS: 1 THESSALONIANS 4-5; 2 THESSALONIANS 1-3

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WEEK 49 (DECEMBER 3-9)

SOW GOOD SEEDS

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. Do you tend to be more concerned with sharing the Good News of Jesus, or about the results of your sharing? Explain your answer.
2. What experiences have you had with different kinds of "soil"—vith different responses of others to the message of the gospel?
s. How can you focus on sowing good seed this week, in practical vays?







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READINGS: EPHESIANS 1-4

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READINGS: EPHESIANS 5-6; PSALM 119:1-80

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READINGS: 1 TIMOTHY 5-6; TITUS 1-3

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WEEK 50 (DECEMBER 10-16)

THE VALUE OF SERVING OTHERS

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

1. What stands out to you about the example Jesus set for us while He was on earth? What might have made this humble service difficult for Him (in the flesh)?
2. Can you think of anything specific that's holding you back or distracting you from serving others in your life? Why do you think these influences affect you?
3. In what practical ways can you reach out to serve others—even in simple terms—this week? How is God leading you to humble yourself and meet the needs of those around you?





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READINGS: HEBREWS 9-11

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READINGS: HEBREWS 12-13; JUDE

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READINGS: JAMES 1-5

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WEEK 51 (DECEMBER 17-23)

BATTLING OFFENSES

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

I. What are some offenses that you've struggled to let go of—past or present? What makes these things so difficult to release?
2. How does Christ's example speak into your battle against offenses? What principles do you learn from His example?
3. What are some practical steps you can take to love those who have wronged you, while still setting healthy boundaries and using Godly wisdom in your dealings with them?





DAY 351 - DECEMBER 17

READINGS: 2 PETER 1-3; JOHN 1

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DAY 354 - DECEMBER 20

READINGS: JOHN 7-8

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DAY 355 - DECEMBER 21

READINGS: JOHN 9-11

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DAY 356 - DECEMBER 22

READINGS: JOHN 12-14

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DAY 357 - DECEMBER 23

READINGS: JOHN 15-18

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WEEK 52 (DECEMBER 24-31)

EXPAND OUR THINKING

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

. How has God expanded your perspective—of both Himself and ife in general—in the past? How have these experiences changed the way you live?
2. Why do you think God took this approach with Job? How do you hink Job felt at the end of this exchange (take a look at Job 40:3-5).
3. In what areas do you need God to expand your thinking? Spend some time in prayer asking Him to do this.







DAY 358 - DECEMBER 24

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READINGS: JOHN 19-21

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DAY 359 - DECEMBER 25

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DAY 361 - DECEMBER 27

READINGS: REVELATION 1-4

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DAY 362 - DECEMBER 28

READINGS: REVELATION 5-9

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DAY 363 - DECEMBER 29

READINGS: REVELATION 10-14

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DAY 364 - DECEMBER 30

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DAY 365 - DECEMBER 31

READINGS: REVELATION 19-22

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