

SATURDAY DON'T BE SELFISH**I READ:** Matthew 6 : 25 - 34, 1 Corinthians 2 : 9

Selfishness is one of the characteristics of children of God who are spiritually immature. They are not concerned with the needs of others or the will of God; they are only concerned about their own interests. On the contrary, those who are spiritually mature always put God and others before themselves. They will put God and God's work first above their own personal affairs. The Word of God says that when we let go of our personal desires and put God's Kingdom first, He will bless us with all that we need in abundance - those that we've never thought about, seen, or heard will be given to us.

I DECLARE: *Matthew 22: 37 - "Jesus said to him, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.'"*

I DO: What action will I take today after meditating on the Word of God?

I PRAY: Pray as guided by the Holy Spirit

ANNUAL BIBLE READING: GENESIS 4-6

SUNDAY PRAY LIKE JESUS DOES**I READ:** Matthew 6 : 9 - 13

When we hear the word "pray," we may think about a list of requests that we would like for God to fulfill. For Jesus, however, prayer is a necessity - His breath. Prayer bridges His relationship and communication with the Father. His prayer always has purpose for God's Kingdom to come down on earth as it is in heaven. In other words, Jesus longs for the Father to have authority over everything. How about us? Do we pray like Jesus does or do we want to force our wants to God? Do we still use prayer as a means to argue with Him? As children of God who are spiritually mature, we ought to follow how Jesus prays. Prayer signifies a harmonious relationship between us and God, which also declares our faith in Him.

I DECLARE: *Jude 1 : 20 - "But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit..."*

I DO: What actions am I going to take after meditating on the Word of God?

I PRAY: Pray as guided by the Holy Spirit

ANNUAL BIBLE READING: GENESIS 7-9

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DAILY WORD

MONDAY BE ON GUARD**I READ:** Luke 19 : 41 - 44, Matthew 25 : 1 - 13

When Jesus visited Jerusalem, the Jews hailed Him there. All rejoiced, praised, and worshiped Him for all the miracles that He performed. They spread their clothes on the street and waved palm fronds to greet Jesus who was riding a donkey. After the crowd disappeared, Jesus went up to the Mount Olives, saw Jerusalem from there, and wept over the city because it would perish for not knowing when God would visit it. How can we know when God is visiting us? We can learn from the story of the five wise and five foolish virgins. The wise prepared themselves with the lamp and oil but the foolish didn't do anything. When the Lord came to visit them, only the wise were ready because their lamps were on.

I DECLARE: *Matthew 25:13 - Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.*

I DO: What action will I take today after meditating on the Word of God?

I PRAY: Pray as guided by the Holy Spirit

ANNUAL BIBLE READING: REVELATION 15-16



SPIRITUALLY MATURE

TUESDAY SOLID FOOD

I READ: Hebrews 5 : 11 - 14, 1 Corinthians 3 : 1 - 4

People who are less spiritually mature can only accept milk as their spiritual food. They're only able to accept the basic teachings of Christianity, but they can't be taught other truths to distinguish good and evil. They don't want to receive the Word in full. They also often refute and refuse to listen to the Word that they can't live it right. Their lives still compromise with the world and play with sin. We need to accept solid food because that's what will mature our spirituality, and that's the type of churches Jesus will pick up in His second coming. .

I DECLARE: *1 Thessalonians 5:23 - Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

I DO: What action will I take today after meditating on the Word of God?

I PRAY: Pray as guided by the Holy Spirit

ANNUAL BIBLE READING: REVELATION 17-18

WEDNESDAY GOD'S WILL COMES FIRST

I READ: Luke 22 : 39 - 44

One of the things that Jesus Christ is always exalted about is His obedience to the Father, and His prayer at the Garden of Gethsemane proved it. Jesus obeyed His Father's will because He believed that everything the Father did was always for His own good. He loved His Father more than He loved Himself. Let's also be spiritually mature like Jesus who was willing to put the will of the Father first before His own. We do so because we understand His will and everything He does is for our own good.

I DECLARE: *1 Peter 5:6 - Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time.*

I DO: What action will I take today after meditating on the Word of God?

I PRAY: Pray as guided by the Holy Spirit

ANNUAL BIBLE READING: REVELATION 19-20

THURSDAY A NEW HEART

I READ: Luke 8 : 4 - 15, Ezekiel 36 : 26

Our devotion today pictures us as a seed on a soil - some fell by the wayside, some fell on the rock, some fell among the thorns, and others fell on good ground. People who are not yet spiritually mature are like the seeds that fall on the first three soils. Everytime that God's Word is poured onto their hearts, some would immediately reject it, some would receive it but not for long until they don't believe in it anymore, and some would receive it but worries, wealth, and pleasures of the world make them unfruitful. It's the other way round with those who are spiritually mature; they receive it with joy and do what God tells them to do faithfully so that their lives become fruitful. We need a new heart to grow a good soil - one that is obedient and unrelenting.

I DECLARE: *Ezekiel 36:26 - I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.*

I DO: What action will I take today after meditating on the Word of God?

DOA : Pray as guided by the Holy Spirit

ANNUAL BIBLE READING: REVELATION 21-22

FRIDAY TO FORGIVE

I READ: Romans 12 : 12 - 17

Genesis 37 records the life story of Joseph and his brothers. Joseph's brothers envied and hated him for no reason. They put him into the well and then sold him to the Egyptians. Through it all, He chose not to be angry. He also chose not to seek revenge or felt bitter with what he had to experience in his life. Joseph believed that everything that happened in his life would eventually bring him good. Today, let's live life with joy and choose not to avenge crime with evil. Choose to forgive. Satan uses bad events in our lives to destroy, but God will turn them into good for us.

I DECLARE: *Romans 12:18 - If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men.*

I DO: What action will I take today after meditating on the Word of God?

I PRAY: Pray as guided by the Holy Spirit

ANNUAL BIBLE READING: GENESIS 1-3