

DAILY WORD

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SATURDAY FAITHFUL TO THE END

I READ: 2 Timothy 4:5-8

Often we hear the saying the first step is important, but the final step is decisive. In the match of faith, opening the heart to accept the Lord Jesus as a Savior is very important. But it's also important that the way we live our faith in the Lord everyday reaches the final line of our lives. In John 6, Jesus fed 5000 people. It's written after that incident many people were amazed and surprised and believed in Jesus because of that miracle. But as time went on, not all of those people were faithful to the end in their belief. Some of them retreated because they lost their faith. There also retreated because they didn't see any more miracles. There were also those who retreated because they were bored and preferred to complain. To be faithful to the end, we need that first love and passion that keeps burning and we have to be filled with the Holy Spirit.

I DECLARE: Revelation 2:10B - Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.

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

I PRAY: Pray as guided by the Holy Spirit.

SUNDAY WAITING FOR GOD

I READ: Psalm 42: 1-6

Are we waiting for God's answers in our lives these days? The Word of God teaches us that while we are waiting for the Lord we must go forward and continue to sow seeds. It means that do not just stay still and feel sorry for yourself but we need to rise up our faith while waiting for God's answer. Declare the Word and prepare yourself for God's answer. Have positive thoughts. Just like a mother who is pregnant with her child, she knows that the baby will not stay in her womb forever. A day will come that she will have to give birth to her child. And while she waiting for the child to be born, she prepares for everything that would be needed when the child is born. We need to have the same attitude. We need to look forward with faith that someday God will surely answer our prayers.

I DECLARE: Hebrews 6: 12- *that you do not become [a]sluggish, but imitate those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.*

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I PRAY: Pray as guided by the Holy Spirit

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MONDAY

BE FRUITFUL

I READ: John 15:1-8

When we receive Lord Jesus as our personal Savior, the Word of God says that we are like the branches of a vine. The life and growth of those vine branches depend on how close they are to the vine root. This parable is speaking about our relationship with Jesus. When we receive Him as our Savior, we are in a relationship with Him. This relationship is meant for us to be fruitful in Christ-like characters. Jesus longs for us to bear fruits that will bless other people for His name to be glorified. Without a good relationship with the Lord Jesus, it's impossible that we will be able to bear Christ-like characters.

I DECLARE: *John 15:8 - By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples.*

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I PRAY: Pray as guided by the Holy Spirit



GROWING
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TUESDAY PUT ON JESUS**I READ:** Romans 13:11 - 14

When Adam and Eve fell into sin, the Lord made tunics of skin and clothed them (Genesis 3:21). The same thing also applies to each of us. We need to put on our “spiritual clothes”; we need to have in our daily lives through our minds and hearts. Guard every thought that comes to our mind with the Word of God. Guard our hearing from negative thoughts by listening to His Word. Guard our sight by looking at things that are pleasing to the Lord. Guard our mouth with the Word of God that we don’t utter vain words. When we put on Jesus in our lives, we will experience victory in every challenge we face.

I DECLARE: *Romans 13 : 12b - Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light.***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**WEDNESDAY THE FEELING OF ADEQUACY****I READ:** Psalm 18:1-4

Many times in the book of Psalm, David wrote about his adoration, love, and respect for the Lord. Why did David say so many good things about God? Because our God is truly good and awesome. But other than that, it was because David felt “adequate” with what the Lord entrusted Him. Having the feeling of adequacy made David not want anything else or anyone else in his life. That same feeling of adequacy also made David love and respect the Lord in his life, not worrying about anything else he was facing. The feeling of adequacy also made David’s faith in the Lord stable. Today, let’s meditate on how we measure our satisfaction and the feeling of having enough. Financially, how do we measure adequacy? Is the success of our career the way we measure adequacy? Or do we use God to measure the adequacy of things in our life?

I DECLARE: *Matthew 6:33 - But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.***I DO:** What action am I going to take after meditating on the Word of God?**I PRAY:** Pray as guided by the Holy Spirit.**THURSDAY GIVE THANKS****I READ:** Psalm 100

It is easy to give thanks when everything is going our way or when everything seems great. But Psalm 100 is a psalm of thanksgiving that was written to be sung/lifted up even in hard times. With songs of thanksgiving, we believe that we will win. Remember the story of the Israelites when they defeated the city of Jericho (Joshua 6). God commanded the Israelites to walk around the city for 6 days quietly and on the 7th day, they had to blow the trumpets and shout in rejoice. They rejoiced when the wall of Jericho was still standing tall before them not after the wall was destroyed. There is great power in giving thanks to the Lord because it can destroy “the walls” of our problems and struggles.

I DECLARE: *Psalm 92:1 - It is good to give thanks to the Lord, and to sing praises to Your name, O Most High;***I DO:** What action am I going to take after meditating on the Word of God?**I PRAY:** Pray as guided by the Holy Spirit.**FRIDAY CHANGE****I READ:** Isaiah 43: 18-23

Change is something that is very difficult for anyone to deal with. One of the reasons why we don’t like change is because we already feel comfortable and accustomed with our condition. We are familiar with our environment, friends, work and so on. Even though we may not be in the best condition now, we just accept it just because we are accustomed to our condition. We are willing to accept and reluctant to start something new. The word of God teaches us that God is making something new for our future. And the future that God has in store for us is far more beautiful than what we enjoy today. When we don’t want to change, we will be trapped with only memories of God’s work in the past. In the end we will not experience God’s full blessing.

I DECLARE: 1 Corinthians 5:17 - Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.**I DO:** What action am I going to take after meditating on the Word of God?**I PRAY:** Pray as guided by the Holy Spirit.