

5 DAY DEVOTIONAL- Do You Want to Get Well?

Day 1: Do You Want to Get Well? Reading: John 5:1-15

Devotional: Jesus' question to the invalid man at the Pool of Bethesda resonates through time: "Do you want to get well?" It's a profound inquiry that challenges us to examine our own spiritual condition. Often, we become comfortable in our brokenness, afraid of the change that true healing might bring. Today, reflect on areas in your life where you need God's healing touch. Are there wounds, habits, or attitudes that you've held onto, believing they define you? Remember, Jesus stands ready to offer wholeness, but He asks for our willingness to receive it. Pray for the courage to say "yes" to His offer of healing, even if it means stepping into the unknown.

Day 2: Seeing God at Work Reading: John 5:16-20

Devotional: Jesus declares that He does what He sees the Father doing. This intimate connection between Father and Son reveals a profound truth for us: God is always at work around us. How often do we miss His activity because

we're distracted or focused on our own agenda? Today, practice awareness of God's presence. Ask Him to open your spiritual eyes to see where He's working in your life, your relationships, and your community. Look for signs of His grace, even in unexpected places. As you notice God's activity, consider how you might join Him in His work, bringing His love and healing to others.

Day 3: Overcoming Distractions Reading: Matthew 14:22-33

Devotional: In a world full of distractions, maintaining focus on Jesus can be challenging. Peter's experience of walking on water reminds us of the importance of keeping our eyes fixed on Christ. When Peter looked at the waves, he began to sink. Similarly, when we allow life's troubles, our phones, or other distractions to capture our attention, we can lose sight of Jesus' presence and power. Today, identify the primary distractions in your life. How might you create intentional moments of quiet to reconnect with God? Practice setting aside your devices and other diversions to fully engage in prayer and Scripture reading, allowing God's voice to become clearer in your life.

Day 4: Joining God in His Work Reading: Ephesians 2:8-10

Devotional: We are saved by grace through faith, not by our own efforts. Yet, God has prepared good works for us to do. This balance between receiving God's grace and participating in His mission is crucial for our spiritual growth. Reflect on how God has uniquely gifted and positioned you to serve others. Are there opportunities around you to bring healing, hope, or help to someone in need? Remember, we don't serve to earn God's love, but out of gratitude for the love we've already received. Ask God to show you one specific way you can join Him in His work today, whether through an act of kindness, a word of encouragement, or meeting a practical need.

Day 5: Greater Things Reading: John 14:12-14

Devotional: Jesus makes an astounding promise: those who believe in Him will do even greater things than He did. This isn't about surpassing Jesus in power or authority, but about the scope and reach of the gospel through His followers. As believers filled with the Holy Spirit, we have the opportunity to participate in God's redemptive work on a global scale. Today, dream big with God. What "greater things" might He be calling you to? It could be starting a ministry, reaching out to a difficult neighbor, or simply being more intentional about sharing your faith. Pray for boldness and wisdom to step out in faith, trusting that God will work through you in ways that may surprise and amaze you.