

Choosing the Lord 5-day Bible reading plan and devotional guide

Day 1: Choosing to Serve God

Reading: Joshua 24:14-24

Devotional: Joshua's challenge to the Israelites resonates with us today: "Choose this day whom you will serve." Our lives are filled with choices, but none more important than our decision to follow God. Reflect on the areas of your life where you may be serving other "gods" - perhaps success, comfort, or approval from others. How can you recommit to serving the Lord "in sincerity and in truth"? Remember, as Joshua declared, "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." Today, make a conscious choice to put God first in all you do.

Day 2: God's Faithfulness in Our Journey

Reading: Psalm 105:1-15

Devotional: Just as God led the Israelites through their wilderness journey, He guides us through our life's path. The psalmist reminds us to "remember the wondrous works that he has done." Take time today to recall God's faithfulness in your own life. Where has He provided, protected, or made a way when there seemed to be no way? Even in challenging times, trust that God is working behind the scenes, just as He did for the Israelites. Let this reflection strengthen your faith for the journey ahead.

Day 3: Overcoming Obstacles with God's Power

Reading: Ephesians 6:10-18

Devotional: The sermon highlighted how God fought battles for His people, even turning curses into blessings. In our spiritual journey, we too face battles - not against flesh and blood, but against spiritual forces of evil. Paul's instruction to put on the full armor of God reminds us that our strength comes from the Lord. What spiritual battles are you facing today? How can you apply God's armor - truth, righteousness, peace, faith, salvation, and the Word of God - to stand firm against these challenges?

Day 4: God's Presence in Our Wilderness

Reading: Isaiah 43:1-7



Devotional: The Israelites lived in the wilderness for many years, yet God sustained them. Isaiah's words remind us that God is with us even in our "wilderness" experiences - times of difficulty, uncertainty, or spiritual dryness. "When you pass through the waters, I will be with you," God promises. Reflect on a current "wilderness" in your life. How can you sense God's presence there? Remember, just as God used the wilderness to prepare the Israelites, He can use your challenges to strengthen your faith and dependence on Him.

Day 5: Trusting God's Plan Reading: Jeremiah 29:11-14

Devotional: The sermon emphasized how God worked ahead of His people, giving them victories and blessings they didn't earn. Jeremiah's words echo this truth - God has plans to prosper us and give us hope and a future. However, trusting in God's plan isn't always easy, especially when our circumstances seem contrary to His promises. Today, consider an area of your life where you're struggling to trust God's plan. How can you actively seek Him and trust His guidance, even when the path isn't clear? Remember, as you seek Him with all your heart, He promises you will find Him.