

Speak up Please 5-day Bible reading plan and devotional guide

Day 1: Qualified by Grace

Reading: 2 Corinthians 3:4-6; Ephesians 2:8-10

Devotional: Our adequacy doesn't come from our education, background, or achievements—it comes from God alone. Like Paul, we may feel unqualified to share our faith or serve in ministry, but God specializes in using ordinary vessels for extraordinary purposes. He doesn't call the qualified; He qualifies the called. Your past mistakes, present limitations, or future uncertainties don't disqualify you from God's service. The same grace that saved you also equipped you with everything needed to fulfill your divine assignment. Today, reject the lie that you're not enough. God has made you sufficient through Christ, and He's placed His Spirit within you as your constant helper and guide.

Reflection: What insecurities have kept you silent about your faith? How does knowing God qualifies you change your perspective?

Day 2: Selected with Purpose

Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:17-21; 1 Peter 2:9-10

Devotional: God didn't randomly choose you—He deliberately selected you as His ambassador. While others may have overlooked you, rejected you, or passed you by, the Creator of the universe handpicked you for His kingdom purposes. You've been appointed as a messenger of reconciliation, carrying the life-changing news that people can be restored to relationship with God through Christ. This new covenant isn't about religious performance but about grace, transformation, and new life. Your unique story, personality, and experiences position you to reach people others cannot. God has strategically placed you in your family, workplace, school, and community to represent Him. Your selection carries both privilege and responsibility—to live and speak as Christ's representative.

Reflection: Who has God specifically placed in your sphere of influence? How can you be an ambassador to them this week?



Day 3: Anchored in Hope

Reading: Psalm 116:1-11; Romans 5:1-5

Devotional: Hope isn't wishful thinking—it's confident expectation rooted in God's character and promises. The psalmist declared, "I believed, even when I said, 'I am greatly afflicted," demonstrating that genuine faith speaks up even in suffering. Like Paul, we face afflictions that threaten to silence us: disappointments, betrayals, health challenges, and uncertainties. Yet our hope isn't in circumstances improving but in Christ who conquered death itself. This living hope fuels boldness when fear whispers to stay quiet. It sustains us when others abandon the journey. It empowers us to speak truth when the world demands silence. Because our hope is built on the solid foundation of Jesus' resurrection, nothing—not death, persecution, or any earthly power—can ultimately defeat us.

Reflection: What situation currently challenges your hope? How can remembering Christ's resurrection strengthen your voice today?

Day 4: Cracked Vessels Revealing Glory

Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:7-12; Exodus 34:29-35

Devotional: God intentionally places His treasure in fragile, earthen vessels—you and me. Why? So that when we crack under pressure, His glory shines through the brokenness. Your afflictions aren't accidents; they're opportunities for God's power to be displayed. Like Moses whose face radiated after encountering God's presence, we reflect Christ's glory when we spend time with Him. But unlike Moses, our glory doesn't fade—it transforms us progressively into Christ's image. The very things that threaten to crush you—illness, persecution, betrayal, grief—become the cracks through which divine light escapes. People don't need to see your strength; they need to see God's grace sustaining you through weakness. Your pain has purpose: it reveals what's truly inside you.

Reflection: What "cracks" in your life could become opportunities for God's glory to shine? Who needs to witness His grace in your struggle?



Day 5: Resurrection Power Rising

Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:13-18; Ephesians 1:18-23

Devotional: The same power that raised Jesus from death lives in you. This isn't metaphorical—it's the actual resurrection power of Almighty God dwelling within every believer through the Holy Spirit. This power enables you to stand when knocked down, to hope when confused, to continue when persecuted, and to speak when threatened. Death couldn't silence Jesus, and nothing can ultimately silence you when you're empowered by His Spirit. This power isn't just for spiritual encouragement—it's practical, daily strength for real-life battles. It helps you forgive the unforgivable, love the unlovable, and persevere through the unbearable. And ultimately, this same power guarantees your future resurrection when Christ returns. So speak up, not in your own strength, but in the confidence that resurrection power backs every word.

Reflection: Where do you need resurrection power today? What would speaking up in that situation look like practically?

Closing Challenge: This week, identify one specific area where God is calling you to speak up. Share your testimony with someone, post an encouraging Scripture, start that difficult conversation, or simply tell someone what Jesus has done for you. Remember: you're qualified, selected, hope-filled, glory-bearing, and resurrection-powered. Speak up, please.