

A Kingdom Heart

5-Day Devotional - 7.20.25

Day 1

A Heart After God's Own Heart

Reading: 1 Samuel 13:14, Acts 13:22

Devotional:

David was called a man after God's own heart—not because he was perfect, but because his heart beat for the things of God. Today, reflect on what it means to have a heart that aligns with God's desires. Are you seeking God's approval or the world's? Consider areas in your life where you might need to realign your priorities to match God's. Pray for God to shape your heart to be more like His.

Prayer Prompt:

Lord, search my heart. Reveal to me any desire that doesn't align with Yours. Teach me to love what You love and pursue what matters to You. Help me live for Your approval alone. Shape my desires, my motives, and my priorities to reflect Your heart.

Day 2

The Servant Leader

Reading: Mark 10:42-45, John 13:1-17

Devotional:

Jesus redefined leadership by demonstrating servanthood. He washed His disciples' feet, even knowing one would betray Him. This radical act challenges our notions of power and position. Today, consider how you can lead by serving others. Look for opportunities to put others' needs before your own, especially in situations where you might typically expect to be served. Remember, in God's kingdom, the greatest is the one with the towel, not the crown.

Prayer Prompt:

Jesus, make me a servant leader like You. Give me eyes to see the needs of others and a heart willing to act in love. Help me lead not for recognition, but in humility and compassion. Teach me to value people more than position and to serve even when it costs me something.

Day 3

Living with Eternity in Mind

Reading: Matthew 6:19-21, 33; Colossians 3:1-4

Devotional:

As believers, we're called to live in the present while keeping our eyes on eternity. This balance can be challenging, but it's essential for kingdom-minded living. Today, evaluate your goals and priorities. Are they primarily focused on temporary gains, or do they have eternal significance? Consider how you can use your resources, talents, and time to invest in God's kingdom. Ask God for wisdom to make choices today that will echo in eternity.

Prayer Prompt:

Father, fix my eyes on what is eternal. Help me not to chase things that fade, but to live for what truly matters. Teach me to seek Your kingdom first. Give me the wisdom to steward my time, gifts, and resources for things that will outlast this world.

Day 4

Humility and Repentance

Reading: Psalm 51, Micah 6:8

Devotional:

David's greatness wasn't in his perfection, but in his response to his own failures. When confronted with sin, he humbly repented rather than making excuses. Reflect on areas in your life where you might be resisting God's correction. Are there sins you need to confess? Pride you need to surrender? Ask God for the courage to face your shortcomings honestly and the humility to seek His forgiveness and transformation.

Prayer Prompt:

God, I come to You with honesty. Show me where I've strayed, and give me the courage to turn back. I confess my sins and ask for Your mercy. Cleanse me, restore me, and shape me into someone who walks humbly with You.

Day 5

Preparing for the Next Generation

Reading: 1 Chronicles 22:5-19, 2 Timothy 2:1-2

Devotional:

David prepared materials for a temple he would never see completed. This act of faith and vision challenges us to think beyond our own time. How are you investing in the future of God's kingdom? Consider ways you can mentor, teach, or encourage those who will carry on the work of the gospel after you. Pray for opportunities to leave a legacy of faith that extends beyond your own life. Ask God to help you see your current efforts through the lens of their long-term impact on His kingdom.

Prayer Prompt:

Lord, help me live with legacy in mind. Show me how to pour into others and plant seeds that will grow long after I'm gone. Use me to equip and encourage the next generation. Let my life be a stepping stone for others to walk closer to You.