Foundations

Week Four: Obedience

5-Day Devotional - 10.12.25

Day 1

The Call to Obedience

Reading: 1 Samuel 15:1-23

Devotional:

Today's passage reminds us of the importance of full obedience to God. Like King Saul, we often rationalize partial obedience, thinking it's enough. But God desires our complete surrender. Reflect on areas in your life where you might be compromising or only partially obeying God's instructions. Remember, "to obey is better than sacrifice" (v. 22). Ask God to reveal any areas of partial obedience and give you the strength to fully surrender those to Him.

Prayer Prompt:

God, help me stop justifying partial obedience. I want to follow You fully—not just in the parts that are easy or convenient. Show me where I've been holding back, and give me the courage to trust You enough to surrender completely. Speak clearly, and I will obey.

Day 2

Grace and Salvation

Reading: Ephesians 2:1-10

Devotional:

Today we focus on God's amazing grace. The message emphasized that salvation is not based on our works, but on God's grace through faith in Jesus Christ. As you read this passage, meditate on the incredible gift of salvation. How does knowing you are saved by grace, not works, impact your daily life? Thank God for His indescribable gift and consider how you can live in a way that demonstrates gratitude for His grace.

Prayer Prompt:

Jesus, thank You for saving me—not because I earned it, but because You love me. Remind me today that Your grace is enough. Help me live with joy and humility, always aware that I'm standing on Your finished work, not my own efforts.

Day 3

Stewardship and Generosity

Reading: 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

Devotional:

The message touched on the topic of tithing and generosity. While our salvation is not dependent on our giving, how we handle our resources is an important aspect of our faith walk. As you read today's passage, consider your attitude towards giving. Are you a cheerful giver? Do you trust God enough to be generous with what He's given you? Pray for a heart that delights in giving and for wisdom in stewarding your resources for God's kingdom.

Prayer Prompt:

Lord, You've given me more than I deserve. Teach me to hold everything with open hands. Help me not to give out of guilt or pressure, but out of joy and trust in Your provision. Shape my heart to reflect Your generosity.

Day 4

Running the Race

Reading: Hebrews 12:1–3

Devotional:

The message mentioned "finishing well" and not settling for second best in our spiritual lives. Today's passage encourages us to run with perseverance the race set before us. What "weights" or sins might be hindering your spiritual progress? How can you fix your eyes more firmly on Jesus? Take time to pray about any areas where you've been spiritually complacent and ask God for renewed passion and endurance in your faith journey.

Prayer Prompt:

Jesus, I don't want to drift. I want to run hard after You. Show me what's slowing me down—whether it's sin, distraction, or fear. Help me to let go of anything that keeps me from becoming who You've called me to be. Strengthen me to run my race with perseverance.

Day 5

The Heart of Worship

Reading: John 4:19-26

Devotional:

The message concluded with a reminder that "it's all about Jesus." Today's passage speaks about true worship. As you read, reflect on what it means to worship in spirit and truth. Are there areas in your life where you've made worship about yourself rather than about Jesus? How can you cultivate a heart that is centered on Christ in all aspects of life? Spend time in prayer, surrendering your heart anew to God and asking Him to help you keep Jesus at the center of everything.

Prayer Prompt:

Father, I want my worship to be real—not performance, not habit, but genuine love from a surrendered heart. If I've made it about me, forgive me. Help me worship You in spirit and truth, with my whole life—not just with songs, but with every choice I make.