

Measuring Up

5-Day Devotional - 6.15.2025

Day 1

The Divine Design for Leadership

Reading: Genesis 2:15–25, Ephesians 5:25–33

Devotional:

God's design for marriage and family leadership is a reflection of His love for us. Just as Adam was given responsibility in the Garden, husbands and fathers are called to lead with love and sacrifice. Reflect on how Christ's sacrificial love for the church sets the standard for leadership in your home. How can you better embody this selfless love in your relationships? Consider areas where you may need to "measure up" to God's calling in your life as a leader, whether in your family, workplace, or community.

Prayer Prompt:

Ask God to shape your heart after His own—to lead with humility, courage, and sacrificial love. Pray for wisdom in your leadership roles and for the grace to reflect Christ in your home and beyond.

Day 2

Overcoming Passivity

Reading: Joshua 1:6–9, 1 Corinthians 16:13–14

Devotional:

The story of Adam's passivity in the face of temptation reminds us of the dangers of spiritual complacency. God calls us to be strong and courageous, actively engaged in our faith and relationships. Reflect on areas of your life where you may have become passive or disengaged. How can you step up and take responsibility, even in challenging situations? Remember, God promises to be with you wherever you go.

Prayer Prompt:

Pray for the courage to confront passivity in your life. Ask God to stir up boldness and intentionality in your heart, and to empower you to act when He calls you to lead, serve, or speak.

Day 3

The Battle Against Temptation

Reading: James 1:12–15, 1 Peter 5:8–9

Devotional:

The serpent's deception in the Garden reminds us that we have an enemy who seeks to destroy our relationships and faith. We must be vigilant and prepared for spiritual warfare. Consider the areas in your life where you feel most vulnerable to temptation. How can you establish "boundaries" to protect yourself and your loved ones? Remember that God provides a way out of every temptation. Commit to relying on His strength and the support of your faith community to stand firm against the enemy's schemes.

Prayer Prompt:

Ask God to open your eyes to the schemes of the enemy and give you discernment. Pray for strength to resist temptation and for protection over your heart, mind, and relationships.

Day 4

Restoration and Redemption

Reading: Romans 5:12–21, 2 Corinthians 5:17–21

Devotional:

Despite Adam and Eve's failure, God didn't abandon them. Instead, He provided coverings and ultimately a plan for redemption through Jesus Christ. This demonstrates God's unfailing love and desire for restoration. Reflect on areas in your life where you've experienced failure or brokenness. How has God's grace been evident in those situations? Remember that in Christ, you are a new creation. Your past doesn't define you; God's love and purpose for your life do. How can you extend this grace and opportunity for redemption to others in your life?

Prayer Prompt:

Thank God for His redeeming love and grace in your life. Confess any areas of brokenness or regret and invite Him to bring healing. Pray for opportunities to offer that same grace to someone else.

Day 5

Walking with God

Reading: Psalm 23, John 15:1–11

Devotional:

Before the fall, Adam and Eve enjoyed intimate fellowship with God, walking with Him in the cool of the day. Through Christ, we can experience restored relationship with our Heavenly Father. How intentional are you about cultivating your relationship with God? Reflect on the ways you can create space in your daily life to "walk" with God—through prayer, meditation on His Word, and listening for His voice. Remember that abiding in Christ is the key to bearing spiritual fruit and experiencing the fullness of God's love. Commit to deepening your connection with God and allowing His presence to transform every aspect of your life.

Prayer Prompt:

Invite God into every part of your day. Ask Him to help you remain in close fellowship with Him, to be sensitive to His voice, and to bear lasting fruit as you abide in His love.