

Expectations Devotional: When We Trust, God Moves

Day 1: Trust Is the Bridge to Breakthrough

Reading: Mark 11:22-24

Devotional:

Faith is the currency of God's Kingdom. When Jesus said, "Have faith in God," He wasn't suggesting an optional spiritual exercise—He was revealing the essential posture for experiencing God's power. Notice that Jesus doesn't say our perfection, our background, or our worthiness moves God. It's our trust. The woman with the issue of blood didn't have status or religious credentials, but she had trust—and that trust activated her healing. Today, God is inviting you to move from passive belief to active trust. What miracle are you believing for? Trust isn't sitting back and hoping; it's pressing forward in confidence that God will do what He promised. Your faith positions you to receive what God is ready to release.

Reflection Question: What area of your life requires you to move from passive hoping to active trusting?

Day 2: Expectation Creates the Atmosphere for Miracles

Reading: Psalm 62:1-8

Devotional:

David declared, "My expectation is from Him." This wasn't wishful thinking—it was faith with anticipation. Expectation is the spiritual atmosphere where miracles grow. When you truly expect God to move, everything changes: your prayers become more fervent, your worship more authentic, your waiting more purposeful, and your responses more alert. But here's the key—expectation must be rooted in seeking God Himself, not just His gifts. David longed for God's presence above all else. When we seek God's face first, His hand naturally follows. Today, examine your heart: Are you expecting God to show up in your situation? Or have disappointments dulled your anticipation? Rekindle your expectation. God is about to move in ways you haven't imagined.

****Reflection Question:**** How has disappointment affected your ability to expect God's movement in your life?

Day 3: Trust Requires Releasing Control

****Reading:**** Proverbs 3:5-6

****Devotional:****

"Lean not on your own understanding." These words challenge our deepest instincts. We want God's power without His process, His miracles without His methods, His direction with our GPS. But trust fundamentally requires surrender. Control is the enemy of trust. When we grip tightly to our plans, timelines, and understanding, we close our hands to what God wants to place in them. The beautiful promise in this passage is that when we release control, God directs our paths. He opens doors we couldn't open, closes doors we were afraid to close, and aligns relationships, opportunities, and timing in ways that exceed our limited vision. Today, identify one area where you're holding tightly to control. What would it look like to surrender that completely to God?

****Reflection Question:**** What are you afraid will happen if you release control to God in this area?

Day 4: Active Trust Stops Jesus in His Tracks

****Reading:**** Mark 10:46-52 (Blind Bartimaeus)

****Devotional:****

Bartimaeus teaches us that trust is not passive—it's a persistent, active pursuit. Despite the crowd's attempts to silence him, he cried out louder. His trust moved him to action, and his action stopped Jesus in His tracks. Notice the progression: Bartimaeus heard Jesus was passing by, he called out despite opposition, he threw aside his cloak (his security), and he came to Jesus when called. Each step was an act of trust. Jesus asked, "What do you want me to do for you?"—not because He didn't know, but because Bartimaeus needed to articulate his faith. Then Jesus said those powerful words: "Your faith has healed you." Today, your persistent trust can move heaven. Don't let the crowd silence your cry. Reach out, call out, speak boldly. God is listening.

****Reflection Question:**** What "cloak" (security or identity) do you need to throw aside to pursue Jesus more fully?

Day 5: Trust Positions You to Recognize God's Movement

****Reading:**** Hebrews 11:1-6

****Devotional:****

"Without faith it is impossible to please God." This verse reveals a profound truth: God responds to trust. Faith is more than mental agreement—it's confident assurance in what we cannot yet see. The heroes of faith listed in Hebrews 11 didn't have all the answers, but they had trust that positioned them to recognize and respond when God moved. Here's the transformative truth: God is not limited by your circumstances, but He often waits for your trust. Why? Because trust aligns your heart with His will, opens your spiritual eyes to see His hand, and prepares you to steward what He's about to release. Trust activates His promises in your life. Today, declare over your finances, health, family, calling, identity, and future: "God, I trust You to reign here." Then watch Him move.

****Reflection Question:**** In which area of your life (finances, health, family, calling, identity, or future) is God asking you to trust Him more fully today?

****Final Thought:**** Where trust grows, God moves. Trust is the key that unlocks divine direction, releases breakthrough, and positions you to receive all that God has promised. Get in the wheelbarrow. Jump into your Father's arms. He will catch you.