

5-Day Devotional: Living Under the Waterfall of Grace

Day 1: Before the Foundation of the World

****Reading:** Ephesians 1:3-6**

****Devotional:****

Your salvation story didn't begin when you first prayed or walked down an aisle. It began before the foundation of the world, in the eternal counsel of God's will. Like a river that flows from unseen springs far upstream, God's grace toward you has no earthly beginning. He chose you, predestined you for adoption, and lavished His grace upon you—not because of anything you would do, but according to His kind intention. Today, rest in this truth: your standing with God is not based on your performance but on His eternal purpose. You are secure because God decided it before time began, and nothing in time can undo what He established in eternity.

Day 2: Adopted Into the Family

****Reading:** Romans 8:14-17; Galatians 4:4-7**

****Devotional:****

In Roman culture, an adopted child could never be disinherited—once in the family, always in the family. God has predestined you for adoption as His son or daughter through Jesus Christ. This isn't a probationary relationship or a conditional arrangement. You have full rights as an heir, sealed by the Spirit Himself. When you feel like you're barely hanging on, when guilt whispers that you've failed too many times, remember: you didn't earn your way into this family, and you cannot lose your place in it. Your Father chose you in love, and His choice is irrevocable. Today, live as the beloved child you are—confident, secure, and deeply loved.

Day 3: Redemption Through His Blood

****Reading:** Ephesians 1:7-10; 1 Peter 1:18-19**

****Devotional:****

Redemption is not an abstract concept—it's concrete, physical, and costly. Through Christ's blood, you have been purchased from the slave market of sin. Your forgiveness is complete; your sins have been sent away, no longer counted against you. In a world that demands repeated sacrifices to earn favor, the gospel declares that Jesus' sacrifice was once for all. No more striving, no more religious performance to maintain God's acceptance. The Lamb of God has already shed His blood, and it is sufficient. As you face this day, remember

that God's grace is not reluctant or measured—it is lavish, rich, and overflowing. You are spiritually wealthy in Christ, regardless of your circumstances.

Day 4: Sealed and Secure

****Reading:**** Ephesians 1:13-14; 2 Corinthians 1:21-22

****Devotional:****

The Holy Spirit is God's seal upon your life—His mark of ownership, authenticity, and security. In ancient times, a seal meant "this belongs to someone important; don't tamper with it." You belong to God, and He has placed His Spirit within you as a guarantee that He will complete what He started. This is God's own pledge: the Father planned your salvation, the Son purchased it, and the Spirit secures it. All three Persons of the Trinity are committed to bringing you safely home. When doubts arise or spiritual dryness sets in, remember that your assurance doesn't rest on your feelings but on God's faithful promise. He who began a good work in you will bring it to completion.

Day 5: Living to the Praise of His Glory

****Reading:**** Ephesians 1:11-14; Colossians 3:1-4

****Devotional:****

Three times in Ephesians 1, Paul declares that everything God does in salvation is "to the praise of His glory." Grace doesn't produce apathy—it produces worship, gratitude, and mission. You were saved not merely to escape hell but to display the beauty of God's grace to a watching world. Whether you're changing diapers, working extra shifts, waiting in a doctor's office, or navigating unexpected crisis, you live under the sovereign hand of a good and loving God who works all things according to His will. Your circumstances don't define you; His grace does. Today, whatever you face, let your life be a living doxology—a testimony that the God who chose you before time is worthy of all praise, now and forever.