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DAY ONE

TOPIC: LIVING ACCORDING TO GOD'S PURPOSE

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them (Ps 139:16).*

INTRODUCTION: This Scripture affirms that God knows everything about our lives, in advance, with His perfect omniscience. The Lord saw David's unborn state and planned his days even before he was born.

The purpose of our life is far greater than our own personal fulfillment, our peace of mind, or happiness. For us to launch into the purpose of God for our life, we must begin with God. Only Him knows what He wired us to accomplish in life. Unless we start from God's perspective, the question of life's purpose is meaningless. Focusing on ourselves will never reveal our purpose. We were made by God and for God; and until we understand this truth, we would not be able to accomplish anything meaningful for His Kingdom. Life's purpose is not about us, it's about God working through us to achieve His plan on earth. Brethren, everything got started in him and finds its purpose in him. In spite of all the hustling and bustling around us, we must always remind ourselves that life is really about living for God, not oneself.

PRAYERS

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, open my eyes to Your sanctified and ordained purpose for my existence.
Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations (Jer 1:5)
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, quicken and fill me with Your Spirit to accomplish Your purpose for my life.
See, I have called by name Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah: And I have filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom, and in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship, (Exod. 31:2-3)
3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I decree I will never fail to fulfil Your

core purpose for my life.

And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins (Matt. 1:21).

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I frustrate every evil effort to make me veer off Your plans for my life.

For, lo, thou shalt conceive, and bear a son; and no razor shall come on his head: for the child shall be a Nazarite unto God from the womb... (Judges 13:5)

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, show me Your power and make me a solution in my generation.

And in very deed for this cause have I raised thee up, for to shew in thee my power; and that my name may be declared throughout all the earth (Exod 9:16)

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, as from today, I walk in the light of your calling for my life.

The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints, (Eph 1:18)

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, release upon my life power to fulfill my destiny and live for Your glory.

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end (Jer 29:11).

6. Father, in the Name of Jesus, the fire upon my prayer altar shall keep burning perpetually. There will be no ashes on my altar.

And the fire upon the altar shall be burning in it; it shall not be put out: (Lev 6:12)

PRAYER FOR THE DAY: Pray that God gives His church grace to focus on prayer and things of the spirit.

Thank you, Father, because we have not sought you in vain, thank you for answered prayers, in Jesus Name. Amen.

DAY TWO

TOPIC: YOU ARE NOT AN ACCIDENT

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *Thus saith the Lord that made thee, and formed thee from the womb, which will help thee; Fear not, O Jacob, my servant; and thou, Jesurun, whom I have chosen (Isa. 44:2).*

INTRODUCTION:

While there are illegitimate parents, there are no illegitimate children. Many children are unplanned by their parents, but they are not unplanned by God. You are not an accidental discharge. God made you on purpose to fulfil a purpose. Your birth was no mistake or mishap, and your life is no coincidence of nature. Your parents may not have planned you, but God did. He was not at all surprised by your birth. In fact, he expected it. Long before you were conceived by your parents, you were conceived in the mind of God. He thought of you first. It is not fate, nor chance, nor luck, nor coincidence that you are breathing at this very moment. You are alive because God wanted to create you! The Bible says, "The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me. God prescribed every single detail of your body. He deliberately chose your race, the colour of your skin, your hair, and every other feature. He custom-made your body just the way he wanted it. He also determined the natural talents you would possess and uniqueness of your personality.

PRAYERS:

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I thank You for creating me in Your image and likeness. May Your true nature always find full expression in my life.

And God said, let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth (Gen. 1:26).

2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, by Your divine purpose, I take my place of dominion over all You created.

And God said, let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every

creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth (Gen. 1:26).

3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I decree that Your investment in my life will not be wasted.
And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul (Gen. 2:7).
4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, release upon my life oil of gladness and fulfilment of purpose.
Thus, saith the Lord that made thee, and formed thee from the womb, which will help thee; (Isa. 44:2)
5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I decree that I will never lose my place in destiny as scheduled by Your divine plan.
“You saw me before I was born and scheduled each day of my life before I began to breathe. Every day was recorded in your Book!” (Psalm 139:1)
6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, establish, give me grace to live a life of purity and make me a worthy vessel in Your plan.
According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love: (Ephesians 1:4)
7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me never to miss Your set time for the manifestation of Your glory in my life.
“From one man he made every nation, and he determined the times set for them and the exact places where they should live.” (Acts 17:26).

DAY THREE

TOPIC: WHAT DRIVES YOUR LIFE?

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *And I say also unto thee, that thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. (Matthew 16:18)*

INTRODUCTION:

The man without a purpose is like a ship without a rudder - a waif, "a nothing", "a no man". Scottish historian and writer, Thomas Carlyle said, "Everyone's life is driven by something". Most dictionaries define the verb "drive" as "to guide, to control, or to direct." Whether you are driving a car, a nail, or a golf ball, you are guiding, controlling, and directing it at that moment. What is the driving force in your life? Right now, you may be driven by a problem, a pressure, or a deadline. You may be driven by a painful memory, a haunting fear, or an unconscious belief. There are hundreds of circumstances, values, and emotions that can drive your life. People are positively or negatively driven by different kinds of desires and emotions. Most times, the fate of a vehicle and its passengers is determined by its driver. Therefore, it is expedient for us to examine our lives to know what drives us daily.

PRAYERS:

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I prophetically speak into my life that I will no longer live in fear but by faith.
For we walk by faith, not by sight: (2Cor 5:7)
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I ask for the grace to always focus and pursue eternal values.
While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal (2Cor 4:18)
3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I receive power to be an exponent of Your light and righteousness in this dark world.
There is none greater in this house than I; neither hath he kept back anything from me but thee, because thou art his wife: how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God? (Gen 39:9)

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, purify my life from every impurity driving my life towards destruction.
This he said, not that he cared for the poor; but because he was a thief, and had the bag, and bare what was put therein (John 12:6).

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I neutralize every “anti-godly” desire in my heart, driving me towards destruction.
And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat (Gen. 3:6)

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I decree that my life will always flow in the direction of the will of God.
Jesus saith unto them, My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work (John 4:34).

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I live a life driven by divine purpose, I will never be found wanting in my Father's business.
And he said unto them, how is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business? (Luke 2:49)

DAY FOUR

TOPIC: MADE TO LAST FOREVER

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *God has... planted eternity in the human heart. Ecclesiastes 3:11 (NLT)*

INTRODUCTION:

This life is not all there is. Life on earth is just the dress rehearsal before the real production. We will spend far more time on the other side of death-in eternity-than we will here. Earth is the staging area, the preschool, the tryout for our life in eternity. It is the practice workout before the actual game; the warm-up lap before the race begins. This life is preparation for the next – eternity. The Bible says, "God has.... planted eternity in the human heart" through new birth in Christ, we receive another life that lives eternally with God. Death is not the end, but a passage to eternity. This is why we must not live carelessly here because every step here strikes a cord in eternity.

While life on earth offers many choices, eternity offers only two: heaven or hell. Your relationship with God on earth will determine your relationship with him in eternity. If you learn to love and trust God's Son, Jesus, you will be invited to spend the rest of eternity with him. On the other hand, if you reject his love, forgiveness, and salvation, you will spend eternity apart from God forever.

PRAYERS:

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I thank You for the most precious gift of eternal life through Your Son, Jesus Christ.
For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life (John 3:16).
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I receive grace to live eternally with You, I destroy the seed of death in my life.
I indeed, I lift up My hand to heaven, and say, as I live forever, (Deuteronomy 32:40)

3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, by the gift of Your Son, I decree that no one will perish (physically and spiritually) in my family.
For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life (John 3:16).
4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I frustrate every attempt of Satan for me to lose my salvation.
The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly (John 10:10).
5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I receive sufficient power against the spirit of backsliding. I have eternally crossed into life.
We know that we have passed from death unto life... (1 John 3:14).
6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, by faith in the word of God, I live above death and condemnation.
Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life (John 5:24).
7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, please, always quicken my spirit even as I continue the race of life.
But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you (Rom. 8:11).

DAY FIVE

TOPIC: SEEING LIFE FROM GOD'S VIEW

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *For that ye ought to say, If the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that (James 4: 15).*

INTRODUCTION:

The way you see your life shapes your life. How you define life determines your destiny. Your perspective will influence how you invest your time, spend your money, use your talents, and value your relationships. One of the best ways to understand other people is to ask them, "How do you see your life?" You will discover that there are as many different answers as possible to that question. I've been told life is a circus, a minefield, a roller coaster, a puzzle, a symphony, a journey, and a dance. People have said, "Life is a carousel: Sometimes you're up, sometimes you're down, and sometimes you just go round and round" or "life is a ten-speed bicycle with gears we never use" or "life is a game of cards: You have to play the hand you are dealt."

the only way through which we can get the true definition of life is to see it as God sees it. Seeing life from God viewpoint allows us to rise above the daily grind of life and the petty actions of others and realize there is a sovereign God who rules over His creation and directs the activities of mankind for His own good and the good of His people.

PRAYERS:

1. Father in the name of Jesus, open inner to see wondrous virtues you deposited in him.
Open my eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of your law (Psalm 119:18).
2. Father in the name of Jesus, just as I am, I come, cleanse me from all impurity.
And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account (Hebrews 4: 13).
3. Father in the name of Jesus, from today, I receive spiritually healthy eyes to see as God sees my life.

“The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light Matthew 6:22),

4. Father in the name of Jesus, I break the chain of fear preventing me from living a supernatural life.

For God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control (2 Timothy 1:7)

5. Father in the name of Jesus, give me power to always manifest Your nature deposited in me.

Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” (Gen. 1:26)

6. Father in the name of Jesus, I decree that my life shall be lived for Your glory.

Then the LORD God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature.” (Genesis 2:7)

7. Father in the name of Jesus, I decree, my life shines the light of Christ to the world.

“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden (Matthew 5:14).

DAY SIX

TOPIC: LIFE IS A TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENT

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal." (2 Corinthians 4:18.)*

INTRODUCTION: The Bible is full of metaphors that teach about the brief, temporary, transient nature of life on earth. Life is described as a mist, a fast runner, a breath, and a wisp of smoke. The Bible says, "For we were born but yesterday.... Our days on earth are as transient as a shadow." (Job 8:9). To make the best use of your life, you must never forget these two truths: First, compared with eternity, life is extremely brief. Second, earth is only a temporary residence. God says his children are to think differently about life from the way unbelievers do, your identity is in eternity, and your homeland is heaven. When you grasp this truth, you will stop worrying about "having it all" on earth.

PRAYERS

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, open my eyes and help me to see life on earth as you see it.
LORD, make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days, what it is; that I may know how frail I am. (Psalm 39:4)
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I receive grace to set my mind on things above and make heaven my focus.
Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. (Col. 3:2)
3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, from today, I will remain loyal to you and live daily as a true Ambassador of Christ.
We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. (2 Cor. 5:20)
4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I receive grace to live above every form of temptation, I will not lose focus.
Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the

world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God. (James 4:4)

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I choose not to be too attached to things of this world, but to live with the understanding that they are temporal.

Those who use the things of the world should not become attached to them. For this world as we know it will soon pass away. (1 Cor. 7:31)

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, in times of trials and temptations, help me to fix my gaze on you.

Let your eyes look straight ahead; fix your gaze directly before you. (Prov. 4:25)

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, when life gets tough, when I am overwhelmed with doubt, or when I wonder if living for Christ is worth the effort, help me to remember that I am not home yet.

All these people were still living by faith when they died. They did not receive the things promised; they only saw them and welcomed them from a distance, admitting that they were foreigners and strangers on earth. (Heb. 11:13)

DAY SEVEN

TOPIC: THE REASON FOR EVERYTHING

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created. (Rev. 4:11).*

INTRODUCTION: The ultimate goal of the universe is to show the glory of God. It is the reason for everything that exists, including us. God made it all for his glory. Without God's glory, there would be nothing. Living for God's glory is the greatest achievement we can accomplish with our lives.

Jesus told the Father, "I brought glory to you here on earth by doing everything you told me to do." I, Jesus honored God by fulfilling his purpose on earth. We honor God the same way, when we do the will of God at all times. When anything in creation fulfills its purpose, it brings glory to God. We must therefore live to fulfil our purposes as that is the very reason for our existence.

PRAYERS

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, flood my heart with light to be able to know the reason for my existence, so I will be able to fulfill purpose.
I pray that your hearts will be flooded with light so that you can understand the confident hope he has given to those he called his holy people who are his rich and glorious inheritance. (Eph. 1:18)
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I choose to live for your glory all the days of my life, help me to sustain my decision and finish well.
I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do. (John 17:4)
3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me to be an ardent worshipper of your name, to worship You in spirit and in truth.
God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth. (John 4:24)
4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I want to become like Jesus in the way I think, feel, and act, endow me with Divine ability.

But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord. (2 Cor. 3:18).

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I know my giftings are not for selfish purposes, help me to use them for the benefits of others.
Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. (1 Peter 4:10)

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, | I am a shining light to my world, I receive fresh grace to be your mouthpiece to my generation.
Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. (Matt. 5:14)

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I make the choice to live for you all my days, therefore, I receive all that is needed for me to fulfill my purpose.
His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. (2 Pet. 1:3)

DAY EIGHT

TOPIC: PLANNED FOR GOD'S PLEASURE

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *For the Lord takes pleasure in His people; He will beautify the humble with salvation.*

INTRODUCTION: The moment you were born into the world, God was there as an unseen witness, smiling at your birth. He wanted you alive, and your arrival gave him great pleasure. God did not need to create you, but he chose to create you for his own enjoyment. You exist for his benefit, his glory, his purpose, and his delight. Bringing enjoyment to God, living for his pleasure, is the first purpose of your life. When you fully understand this truth, you will never again have a problem with feeling insignificant. It proves your worth. If you are that important to God, and he considers you valuable enough to keep with him for eternity, what greater significance could you have? You are a child of God, and you bring pleasure to God like nothing else he has ever created.

One of the greatest gifts God has given you is the ability to enjoy pleasure. He wired you with five senses and emotions so you can experience it. He wants you to enjoy life, not just endure it. The reason you are able to enjoy pleasure is that God made you in his image.

PRAYER

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I thank you that I am made and planned for your pleasure, may your name be forever glorified.
God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure. Eph. 1:5
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I pray for a deeper insight on how to worship you in spirit and in truth.
The Lord says: "These people come near to me with their mouth and honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. Their worship of me is based on merely human rules they have been taught. Isaiah 29:13
3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, implant your fear in my heart, so that I will be able to live for your pleasure all the days of my life.

The LORD taketh pleasure in them that fear him, in those that hope in his mercy. Psalm 147:11

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I choose to enjoy life and not to endure it, I receive the enabling grace to enjoy life.
So I commended enjoyment, because a man has nothing better under the sun than to eat, drink, and be merry; for this will remain with him in his labor all the days of his life which God gives him under the sun. (Ecclesiastes 8:15)

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I receive the enabling grace to live justly before you, to love mercy and live humbly before you always.
He has shown you, O man, what is good; And what does the LORD require of you But to do justly, To love mercy, And to walk humbly with your God? (Micah 6:8)

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I desire to bring glory to your name with my life, help me to do all things for your pleasure.
Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God. (1 Corinthians 10:31)

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I dedicate the totality of my life to you, let me perform all my deeds with the awareness of your presence.
Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me. (John 15:4)

DAY NINE

TOPIC: WHAT MAKES GOD SMILE?

WORD ON THE TOPIC: Make Your face shine upon Your servant, And teach me Your statutes. Psalm 119:135

INTRODUCTION: Since pleasing God is the first purpose of our lives, our most important task is to discover how to do that. The major way to do it is to love God passionately. The bible referred to Noah as a man who loved God more than anything else in the world, even when no one else did! The Bible tells us that for his entire life, "Noah consistently followed God's will and enjoyed a close relationship with Him." (Gen. 6:9) This is what God wants most from you: a relationship! It's the most astounding truth in the universe—that our Creator wants to fellowship with us. God made you to love you, and he longs for you to love him back. He says, "I don't want your sacrifices - I want your love; I don't want your offerings - I want you to know me." (Hosea 6:6).

PRAYER

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, thank you for loving me, even as a wretched sinner and bringing me unto salvation.
But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (Rom. 5:8)
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, reveal to me the major secret of loving you sacrificially and help me to love you passionately.
Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind." (Matthew 22:37)
3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, grant unto me the power to trust you wholeheartedly and never doubt your ability in every situation.
Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. (Proverbs 3:5)
4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, as Noah did all your commandments, help me to absolutely obey you in all things.
Thus did Noah; according to all that God commanded him, so did he. (Gen. 6:22)

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, robe me with the garment of praise to live with a heart of praise and thanksgiving.
Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name. (Heb. 13:15)

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I declare that my steps are ordered by you and my life shall continually be a delight unto you.
The steps of a good man are ordered by the LORD: and he delighteth in his way. (Psalm 37:23)

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, remould me, and fill my heart with the willingness to make pleasing you my deepest desire.
So we make it our goal to please him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it. (2 Cor. 5:9)

DAY TEN

TOPIC: THE HEART OF WORSHIP

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *Do not offer any part of yourself to sin as an instrument of wickedness, but rather offer yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer every part of yourself to him as an instrument of righteousness. (Romans 6:13)*

INTRODUCTION: The heart of worship is surrender. Surrender is an unpopular word, disliked almost as much as the word submission. It implies losing, and no one wants to be a loser. Surrender evokes the unpleasant images of admitting defeat in battle, forfeiting a game, or yielding to a stronger opponent. But surrendering to God is the heart of worship. It is the natural response to God's amazing love and mercy. We give ourselves to him, not out of fear or duty, but in love, "because he first loved us." Offering yourself to God is what worship is all about.

PRAYER

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I want to know you more, reveal yourself to me in a way that I can understand.
That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death (Phil. 3:10)
2. Father in the name of Jesus of Jesus Christ, daily remind of my frame, that I am dust, so I will never allow pride, but will always surrender to you.
Like as a father pitieth his children, so the LORD pitieth them that fear him. For he knoweth our frame; he remembereth that we are dust. (Psalm 103:13-14)
3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I want to always surrender to the authority of your Word, baptize me afresh with the power of submission.
And Simon answering said unto him, Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing: nevertheless at thy word I will let down the net. (Luke 5:5)
4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I want to wait patiently for the fulfilment of your promise, empower me with the grace to wait.

For the vision is yet for an appointed time; But at the end it will speak, and it will not lie. Though it tarries, wait for it; Because it will surely come, It will not tarry. (Habakkuk 2:3)

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, in every situation of life, let my confession always be “your will be done”.
And He said, “Abba, Father, all things are possible for You. Take this cup away from Me; nevertheless, not what I will, but what You will.” (Mark 14:36).

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I receive fresh enablement to die daily to self, in order to make my life a living sacrifice, which is acceptable unto you.
I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. (Rom. 12:1)

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, whatever area of my life that I am holding back from you, help me to surrender them at your feet.
But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession, And kept back part of the price, his wife also being privy to it, and brought a certain part, and laid it at the apostles' feet. (Acts 5:1-2)

DAY ELEVEN:

TOPIC: BECOMING BEST FRIENDS WITH GOD

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *Since we were restored to friendship with God by the death of his Son while we were still his enemies, we will certainly be delivered from eternal punishment by his life. Romans 5:10*

INTRODUCTION:

Knowing and loving God is our greatest privilege, and being known and loved is God's greatest pleasure. Friendship with God is possible only because of the grace of God and the sacrifice of Jesus. "All this is done by God, who through Christ changed us from enemies into his friends." The old hymn says, "What a friend we have in Jesus," but God invites us to enjoy friendship and fellowship with all three persons of the Trinity: our Father,¹ the Son, and the Holy Spirit.¹ That God would want me for a close friend is hard to understand, but the Bible says, "He is a God who is passionate about his relationship with you.¹ God deeply desires that we know him intimately. In fact, he planned the universe and orchestrated history, including the details of our lives, so that we could become his friends.

PRAYERS

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me to reverence you every day of my life.
Friendship with God is reserved for those who reverence him. PSALM 25:14
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, no matter what comes my way, help me to continually believe, trust and maintain my relationship with You.
And the scripture was fulfilled that says, "Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness," and he was called God's friend. James 2:23
3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me not to love the world nor befriend the world; but to love you and be your friend always.
You adulterous people, don't you know that friendship with the world means enmity against God? Therefore, anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God. James 4:4

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, speak to me in clear terms, draw me closer and make me to obey you always.
The LORD would speak to Moses face to face, as one speaks to a friend. Then Moses would return to the camp, but his young aide Joshua son of Nun did not leave the tent. Exodus 33: 11

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I decree that on a daily basis, You reveal to me the mysteries of Your Kingdom.
I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. John 15: 15

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, cause me to find favour in your sight always.
But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord. These are the generations of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his generation. Noah walked with God. Genesis 6:8-9

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, manifest yourself to me and my household in Jesus Christ's name.
Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him. John 4:21

DAY TWELVE

TOPIC: DEVELOPING YOUR FRIENDSHIP WITH GOD.

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *He offers his friendship to the godly. Proverbs 3:32*

INTRODUCTION:

You are as close to God as you choose to be. Like any friendship, you must work at developing your friendship with God. It won't happen by accident. It takes desire, time, and energy. If you want a deeper, more intimate connection with God you must learn to honestly share your feelings with him, trust him when he asks you to do something, learn to care about what he cares about, and desire his friendship more than anything else. True friendship isn't passive; it acts. When Jesus asks us to love others, help the needy, share our resources, keep our lives clean, offer forgiveness, and bring others to him, love motivates us to obey immediately. We are often challenged to do "great things" for God. Actually, God is more pleased when we do small things for him out of loving obedience. They may be unnoticed by others, but God notices them and considers them acts of worship.

PRAYERS

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I ask for sufficient grace to draw closer to you daily.
Draw close to God, and God will draw close to you. James 4:8
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, may I never lose my relevance before you.
But you, Israel, my servant, Jacob, whom I have chosen, you descendants of Abraham my friend. Isaiah 41:8
3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, please give me a humble heart to always yield to your instructions, so that I can prosper in my walk with You.
You are my friends if you do what I command you. John 15:14
4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me to live a sacrificial life to the glory of your name.
Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, cleanse me from every spiritual and moral impurity.
When He saw their faith, He said to him, "friend, your sins are forgiven you." Luke 5:20

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, break me and remould me for your glory.
As iron sharpens iron, so a friend sharpens a friend. Proverbs 27:17

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, draw me closer to you like never before.
There are "friends" who destroy each other, but a real friend sticks closer than a brother. Proverbs 18:14

DAY THIRTEEN

TOPIC: WORSHIP THAT PLEASES GOD

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. Mark 12:30*

INTRODUCTION:

God doesn't want a part of your life but all of you. He asks for all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength. God is not interested in half-hearted commitment, partial obedience, and the leftovers of your time and money. He desires your full devotion, not little bits of your life. A Samaritan woman once tried to debate Jesus on the best time, place, and style for worship. Jesus replied that these external issues are irrelevant. Where you worship is not as important as why you worship and how much of yourself you offer to God when you worship. There is a right and wrong way to worship. The Bible says, "Let us be grateful and worship God in a way that will please him." The heart of the matter is a matter of the heart.

PRAYERS

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me to love you wholeheartedly and unconditionally.
Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength." Mark 12:30
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, cause my life to please you and praise you always.
Whole-life worship is the kind that pleases God. "Let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise and do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased (Hebrews 13:15, 16 NIV).
3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I present myself and all that concerns me to you that I may worship and please You.
Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. Romans 12:1

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me to shine Your light and live for your glory.
For you were formerly darkness, but now you are Light in the Lord; walk as children of Light (for the fruit of the Light consists in all goodness and righteousness and truth), trying to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Ephesians 5:8-10

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, make me fruitful & grow in my knowledge of You.
So that you will walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God. Colossians 1:10

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me to walk in righteousness and serve you joyfully.
For the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. For he who in this way serves Christ is acceptable to God and approved by men. Romans 14:17-18

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me fear and delight in You always
He does not delight in the strength of the horse; He does not take pleasure in the legs of a man. The Lord favors those who fear Him, Those who wait for His righteousness. Psalm 114:10-11

DAY FOURTEEN

TOPIC: WHEN GOD SEEMS DISTANT

WORD ON THE TOPIC: The Lord has hidden himself from his people, but I trust him and place my hope in him. ISAIAH 8: 17

INTRODUCTION:

Everyone dances when things are going like songs. It is easy to worship God when things are going great in your life - when he has provided food, friends, family, health, and happy situations. But circumstances are not always pleasant. How do you worship God then? What do you do when God seems a million miles away? The deepest level of worship is praising God in spite of pain, thanking God during a trial, trusting him when tempted, surrendering while suffering, and loving him when he seems distant. The most common mistake Christians make in worship today is seeking an experience rather than seeking God. When you feel abandoned by God yet continue to trust him, you worship him in the deepest way. God is real, no matter how one feels.

PRAYERS

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I thank you because I know you will never leave me nor forsake me and my family.
“For God has said, 'I will never leave you; I will never abandon you.’”
Hebrews 13:5
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I receive divine strength to withstand whatever challenges may come my way.
Do not fear, for I am with you; do not be afraid, for I am your God. I will strengthen you; I will help you; I will hold on to you with my righteous right hand. Isaiah 41:10
3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, please be my refuge and strength always in all situation of life.
God is our refuge and strength, a helper who is always found in times of trouble. Isaiah 46:1
4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I refuse to be afraid nor give in to fear. I break the yoke of fear in my life.

Therefore, we will not be afraid, though the earth trembles and the mountains topple into the depths of the seas, though its water roars and foams and the mountains quake with its turmoil. Isaiah 46:2-3

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me to draw closer to you than ever before.

Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. James 4:8a

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me to see You in every situation that comes my way.

Am I a God who is near," declares the Lord, And not a God far off. Jeremiah 23:23

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, hasten to help me and my family.

O God do not be far from me; O my God, hasten to my help! Psalm 71:12

DAY FIFTEEN

TOPIC: FORMED FOR GOD'S FAMILY

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *God is the one who made all things, and all things are for his glory. He wanted to have many children share his glory. Hebrews 2:10*

See how very much our heavenly Father loves us, for he allows us to be called his children, and we really are! 1 John 3:1

INTRODUCTION:

God wants a family, and he created you to be a part of it. This is one of God's purposes for your life, which he planned before you were born. The entire Bible is the story of God building a family who will love him, honor him, and reign with him forever. It says, "His unchanging plan has always been to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. And this gave him great pleasure.

When we place our faith in Christ, God becomes our Father, we become his children, other believers become our brothers and sisters, and the church becomes our spiritual family. The family of God includes all believers in the past, the present, and the future. Every human being was created by God, but not everyone is a child of God. The only way to get into God's family is by being born again into it. You became part of the human family by your first birth, but you become a member of God's family by your second birth. God "has given us the privilege of being born again, so that we are now members of God's own family.

PRAYERS

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, thank you for loving me and for being my Father.

See how very much our heavenly Father loves us, for he allows us to be called his children, and we really are! 1 John 3:1

2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, thank you for your unchanging plan for me and bringing me to Yourself.

His unchanging plan has always been to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ." Ephesians 1:5a

3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me to be like you in every area of my life, a true reflection of Your nature in my generation.
Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! Therefore, the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. I John 3:1-2

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, my life will not lack the guidance of the Holy Spirit.
For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. Romans 8:14

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, give me the grace never to lay my hand in sin that will destroy my relationship with You.
The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God. Romans 8:16

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, lighten my darkness by the power of Your Word.
It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Therefore everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to Me. John 6:45

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me to become like you in all things.
Therefore, you shall be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect. Matthew 5:48

DAY SIXTEEN

TOPIC: WHAT MATTERS MOST

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *No matter what I say, what I believe, and what I do, I'm bankrupt without love. 1 Corinthians 13:3b*
Love means living the way God commanded us to live. As you have heard from the beginning, his command is this: Live a life of love. 2 John 1:6

INTRODUCTION:

God is love, the most important lesson he wants you to learn on earth is how to love. It is in loving that we are most like him, so love is the foundation of every command he has given us: "The whole Law can be summed up in this one command: `Love others as you love yourself." Learning to love unselfishly is not an easy task. It runs counter to our self-centered nature. That's why we're given a lifetime to learn it. Of course, God wants us to love everyone, but he is particularly concerned that we learn to love others in his family. As we've already seen, this is the second purpose of your life. Peter tells us, "Show special love for God's people." Paul echoes this sentiment: "When we have the opportunity to help anyone, we should do it. But we should give special attention to those who are in the family of believers."

PRAYERS

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me to love everyone around me.
Love means living the way God commanded us to live. As you have heard from the beginning, his command is this: Live a life of love. 2 John 1:6
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me to love my neighbour as myself
The entire law is summed up in a single command: Love Your Neighbor as yourself. Galatians 5:14
3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me to accept Your kind of love for the standard of my life.
For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. John 3:16

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me that all that I do will be done in true love.
Let all that you do be done in love. 1 Corinthians 16:14

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, through Your love, perfect all that concerns me.
And above all these put-on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. Colossians 3:14

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, let the fragrance of your love fill Your Church. Help us to love one another genuinely.
Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. 1 John 4: 7-8

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, cause me to obey and love You in season and out of season.
If you love me, you will keep my commandments. John 14:15

DAY SEVENTEEN

TOPIC: A PLACE TO BELONG

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *You are members of God's very own family, citizens of God's country, and you belong in God's household with every other Christian. Ephesians 2:19b*

God's family is the church of the living God, the pillar and foundation of the truth. 1 Timothy 3:15b

INTRODUCTION:

You are called to belong, not just believe. The Bible knows nothing of solitary saints or spiritual hermits isolated from other believers and deprived of fellowship. The Bible says we are put together, joined together, built together, members together, heirs together, fitted together, and held together and will be caught up together. You're not on your own anymore.

While your relationship to Christ is personal, God never intends it to be private. In God's family you are connected to every other believer, and we will belong to each other for eternity. Even in the perfect, sinless environment of Eden, God said, "It is not good for man to be alone."

We are created for community, fashioned for fellowship, and formed for a family, and none of us can fulfill God's purposes by ourselves.

PRAYERS

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I thank You for making me a part of your family.
You are members of God's very own family, citizens of God's country, and you belong in God's household with every other Christian. Ephesians 2:19b
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, cause us as a church to stay united.
Behold, how good and how pleasant it is For brethren to dwell together in unity! Psalm 133:1

3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me to forgive those who offend me knowingly and unknowingly.
Bear with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgive each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Colossians 3:13
4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me to treat others in a way that pleases You.
And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them. Luke 6:31
5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me to live a peaceful life always.
If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.” Romans 12:18
6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help us as a church to walk in unity.
So we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. Romans 12:5
7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, cause your peace and joy to fill my heart and your church always.
Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Colossians 3:15

DAY EIGHTEEN

TOPIC: EXPERIENCING LIFE TOGETHER

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *Each one of you is part of the body of Christ, and you were chosen to live together in peace. Colossians 3:15*

*How wonderful it is, how pleasant, for God's people to live together in harmony!
Psalm 133:1*

INTRODUCTION: God intends for us to experience life together. The Bible calls this shared experience fellowship. Today, however, the word has lost most of its biblical meaning. "Fellowship" now usually refers to casual conversation, socializing, food, and fun. Life is meant to be shared. Real fellowship is so much more than just showing up at services. It is experiencing life together. It includes unselfish loving, honest sharing, practical serving, sacrificial giving,

sympathetic comforting, and all the other "one another" commands found in the New Testament. The Body of Christ, like your own body, is really a collection of many small cells. The life of the Body of Christ, like your body, is contained in the cells. For this reason, every Christian needs to be involved in a small group within their church, whether it is a home fellowship group, a Sunday school class, or a Bible study group. This is where real community takes place, not in the big gatherings. If you think of your church as a ship, the small groups are the lifeboats attached to it.

PRAYERS

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I am grateful for making me a part of Your family.
Each one of you is part of the body of Christ, and you were chosen to live together in peace. Colossians 3:15
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me to be available in sharing other's troubles and provide solutions as you back me up.
Share each other's troubles and problems, and in this way obey the law of Christ." Galatians 6:2

3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, grant me the strength to do all that is required of me.
I can do all things through him who strengthens me. Philippians 4:13

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, grant me divine wisdom that your heart may be glad in my doings always.
My son, if your heart is wise, then my heart will be glad indeed. Proverbs 23:15

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help our fellowship to continually blossom and stay united.
How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity! Psalm 133:1

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, keep us to the very end that none will fall in Your mercy.
Now I am no longer in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to You. Holy Father, keep through Your name those whom You have given Me, that they may be one as We are. John 17:11

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, keep us from all forms of evil now and always.
I do not pray that You should take them out of the world, but that You should keep them from the evil one. John 17:15

DAY NINETEEN

TOPIC: CULTIVATING COMMUNITY

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *You can develop a healthy, robust community that lives right with God and enjoy its results only if you do the hard work of getting along with each other, treating each other with dignity and honor. James 3:18*

They committed themselves to the teaching of the apostles, the life together, the common meal, and the prayers. Acts 2:42

INTRODUCTION:

Only the Holy Spirit can create real fellowship between believers, but he cultivates it with the choices and commitments we make. Paul points out this dual responsibility when he says, "You are joined together with peace through the Spirit, so make every effort to continue together in this way." It takes both God's power and our effort to produce a loving Christian community.

If you're tired of fake fellowship and you would like to cultivate real fellowship and a loving community in your small group, Sunday school class, and church, you'll need to make some tough choices and take some risks. The benefits of sharing life together far outweigh the costs, and it prepares us for heaven.

PRAYERS

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, thank You for giving your life for me.
We understand what love is when we realize that Christ gave his life for us. That means we must give our lives for other believers. I John 3:16
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me to be committed to your service.
They committed themselves to the teaching of the apostles, the life together, the common meal, and the prayers. Acts 2:42
3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me to get along with others and treat them well.
You can develop a healthy, robust community that lives right with God and enjoy its results only if you do the hard work of getting along with each other, treating each other with dignity and honor. James 3:18

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, destroy every spirit of division in your church and bind us together with Your cord of love.

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another in what you say and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly united in mind and thought. 1 Corinthians 1:10

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help us to continually walk in the light and purge us from every unrighteousness.

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin. 1 John 1:7

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, heal the sick amongst us and grant us divine health.

Therefore, confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. James 5:16

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help us to have Your mind in all our undertakings.

In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus. Philippians 2:5

DAY TWENTY

TOPIC: RESTORING BROKEN FELLOWSHIP

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *[God] has restored our relationship with him through Christ, and has given us this ministry of restoring relationships. 2 Corinthians 5:18 (GWT)*

INTRODUCTION:

Because life is all about learning how to love, God wants us to value relationships and make the effort to maintain them instead of discarding them whenever there is a rift, a hurt, or a conflict. In fact, the Bible tells us that God has given us the ministry of restoring relationships. For this reason a significant amount of the New Testament is devoted to teaching us how to get along with one another. Paul wrote, "If you've gotten anything at all out of following Christ, if his love has made any difference in your life, if being in a community of the Spirit means anything to you,... Agree with each other, love each other, be deep-spirited friends." Paul taught that our ability to get along with others is a mark of spiritual maturity.

If you want God's blessing on your life and you want to be known as a child of God, you must learn to be a peacemaker. Jesus said, "God blesses those who work for peace, for they will be called the children of God." Notice Jesus didn't say, "Blessed are the peace lovers," because everyone loves peace. Neither did he say, "Blessed are the peaceable," who are never disturbed by anything. Jesus said, "Blessed are those who work for peace" those who actively seek to resolve conflict. Peacemakers are rare because peacemaking is hard work.

PRAYERS

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me to fulfill the ministry you have called me into.

[God] has restored our relationship with him through Christ and has given us this ministry of restoring relationships. 2 Corinthians 5:18

2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, restore to me every good thing I have lost due to broken fellowship.

I will restore to you the years that the swarming locust has eaten. Joel 2:25

3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, may I never lose the joy of Your salvation and restore the joy to those who have lost it.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation and uphold me with a willing spirit. Psalm 51:12

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, in Your mercy, restore to me in double fold every good thing I have lost & grant me everlasting joy.
Instead of your shame there shall be a double portion; instead of dishonor they shall rejoice in their lot; therefore in their land they shall possess a double portion; they shall have everlasting joy. Isaiah 61:7

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, forgive our sins and heal our land.
If my people who are called by my name humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land. 2 Chronicles 7:14

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, turn our hearts to you and draw us closer to yourself.
Come, let us return to the Lord; for he has torn us, that he may heal us; he has struck us down, and he will bind us up. Hosea 6:1

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, order my steps according to your will and purpose for my life.
He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Psalm 23:3

DAY TWENTY-ONE

TOPIC: PROTECTING YOUR CHURCH

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. (Matthew 16:18)*

INTRODUCTION: The Church is a symbol of divine identity, the body of Christ which plays a prominent role in the Supernatural. Protecting the church is protecting the image of God, protecting the church is preserving her life from danger of pollution of sin, protecting her is a way of helping her fulfil her purpose in life, protecting her is ensuring that she is fortified against the gates of hell, protecting her is strengthening her to fulfil her divine purpose in the world.

When we fail to protect her, she dies for purposeful living (Rev. 3:1). A dead church cannot fulfill any purpose, she becomes the habitation of darkness, a symbol of conquered warriors and a figure of divine disappointment. The same goes to any child of God who fails to protect his God-given potentials, he will become a song of triumph in hell. Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown. (Revelation 3:11)

PRAYERS

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I thank you for the gift of the Church to humanity, thank You for raising the church for a divine purpose at this end time.
Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved. (Acts 2:47)
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, protect the church from powers and strategies that want to annihilate her, disgrace them, and save the church.
As for Saul, he made havoc of the church, entering into every house, and haling men and women committed them to prison. (Acts 8:3)
3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, rescue every vision, dream, potential and glory in the prison of darkness, let the spirit of intercession come upon the church to pray earnestly for the release of God's blessings in the hands of darkness.

Peter therefore was kept in prison: but prayer was made without ceasing of the church unto God for him. (Acts 12:5).

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, let every unrest, trouble, persecution and internal/external crisis disturbing the purpose of God for the church seize.

Then had the churches rest throughout all Judaea and Galilee and Samaria and were edified; and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied. (Acts 9:31).

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, bless your church afresh with every gift, both human and spiritual, needed to fulfill her purpose in life.

Now there were in the church that was at Antioch certain prophets and teachers; as Barnabas, and Simeon that was called Niger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen, which had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul. (Acts 13:1)

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, as from today, purge Your church and the heart of every child of God from all wrong and demonic doctrines polluting and dividing the body of Christ.

But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumbling block before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication. (Revelation 2:14-16)

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, we ask that all children of the kingdom will exhibit great power and potentials for greater exploit at this end time.

And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write; These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth; (Revelation 3:7)

DAY TWENTY-TWO

TOPIC: CREATED TO BECOME LIKE CHRIST

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them. Ephesians 2:10*

INTRODUCTION: Everything God created has a purpose, nothing created is without a purpose, humanity was created in the image of God to fulfill a divine agenda, when we lost the first image, there was a need for a new creation in a new image. The first Adam was made from dust, but the new Adam was begotten not made, He is a Son, hence anyone who is born of Him is made according to Him and like Him, created to do good works. (1 Corinthians 15:45). Our purpose after we gave our lives to Christ is to be like Him, to be transformed into His image as we remain in His presence (2 Corinthians 3:18). And as we have borne the image of the earthly, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. (1 Corinthians 15:49)

If we fail to be like Him, the purpose of our new birth is defeated, that will clearly show that we are still in the old image of sin and that the work of grace is not completely done in us. We must be transformed by the renewing of our minds to become like Christ. (ROM. 12:1 - 2).

PRAYERS

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I thank you for blessing my life with the image of the heavenly even when I also bear the image of the earthly.
And as we have borne the image of the earthly, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. 1 Corinthians 15:49
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I ask for the grace to always be in your presence, to behold your glory with open face so as to be transformed into your image.
But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord. 2 Corinthians 3:18
3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I reject every spiritual, mental and

psychological blindness that can stop me from living a purpose driven life.
In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them. 2 Corinthians 4:4

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I will not fail the purpose for my creation,
For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them. Ephesians 2:10

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, the power of Christ is in me to live above principalities and powers that may oppose my fulfilment in life.
For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: Colossians 1:16

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I work, live, operate, and move in the anointing of Christ, I live in Him and fulfil my purpose in Him.
How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him. Acts 10:38

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I am encouraged and not discouraged, I am anointed with the oil of gladness, favour and success to fulfill my divine destiny.
Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows. Hebrews 1:9

DAY TWENTY-THREE

TOPIC: HOW WE GROW.

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil. Genesis 2:9*

INTRODUCTION: Everything God created has a purpose, nothing created is without a purpose. Right from the beginning growth has been commanded and mandated, anything created that refuses to grow is destroyed, hence growth is inevitable. How we grow matters not just growing. Genesis 1:28 - And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth. Here we are commanded to grow by multiplication to fill the whole earth, anything short of that is against our making.

Genesis 48:16 - The Angel which redeemed me from all evil, bless the lads; and let my name be named on them, and the name of my fathers Abraham and Isaac; and let them grow into a multitude in the midst of the earth. Jacob was telling Joseph what God covenanted with him over his children, they were to grow into a mighty Nation and not be added to another nation, anything different from that is against the will of God. We are to grow in line with the will of God, according to his promises and Covenant, anything short of that is ANTI-GOD.

PRAYERS

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I thank you for the blessings of growth commanded into my life, I appreciate you for your promises over me and my family.
That our sons may be as plants grown up in their youth; that our daughters may be as corner stones, polished after the similitude of a palace: Psalms 144:12
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I and my entire household you have given me will grow tremendously this year – financially, numerically, and spiritually.

***Behold, this is the joy of his way, and out of the earth shall others grow.
Job 8:19***

3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I reject every plan or strategy to make me grow up early and come down again, I will not stop growing in life and ministry.

In the morning it flourisheth, and groweth up; in the evening it is cut down, and withereth. Psalms 90:6

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, cause me to grow to fulfil my purpose in life, and to grow according to Your plan for me.

He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle, and herb for the service of man: that he may bring forth food out of the earth; Psalms 104:14

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, polish, and fashion my children with Your glory to grow after the similitude of Your Kingdom

That our sons may be as plants grown up in their youth; that our daughters may be as corner stones, polished after the similitude of a palace: Psalms 144:12

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, make my growing process a mystery and secret to the powers and principalities of darkness.

As thou knowest not what is the way of the spirit, nor how the bones do grow in the womb of her that is with child: even so thou knowest not the works of God who maketh all. Ecclesiastes 11:5

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, Lord, plant me with power and grace to fulfil your purpose for my life.

Thou hast planted them, yea, they have taken root: they grow, yea, they bring forth fruit: thou art near in their mouth, and far from their reins. Jeremiah 12:2

DAY TWENTY-FOUR

TOPIC: TRANSFORMED BY TRUTH

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *Mercy and truth are met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other. Truth shall spring out of the earth; and righteousness shall look down from heaven. Psalms 85:10, 11*

INTRODUCTION: Truth is Power personified. He has a body of his own, possesses a very strong personality and influence. Truth works on his own and for his own. He carries the power to transform, exalt, reveal, defend, and speak. He is too strong to be hidden or covered up for long, he fights back against every arrogance of lies and dishonesty. The most beautiful and important thing about the truth is that he is always ready to operate wherever, whenever and on whoever he is needed.

We as humans are limited in knowledge and insights, our purpose in life can be fully known when the truth is revealed and there lies our freedom to move towards fulfilling our purpose. John 8:32. Ephesians 1:13

In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise... we are transformed by the word of truth, 1 Thessalonians 2:13. For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe. It is this word that can work in us to fulfill our purpose in life.

PRAYERS

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I thank you for making the truth available to help me fulfill my destiny and purpose in life.
In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise. Ephesians 1:13
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, because I carry the truth, I shall remain unstopplable and unhindered on the way of my fulfilment.

As the truth of Christ is in me, no man shall stop me. 2 Corinthians 11:10

3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, as I pursue my goals in life, I will never be distracted or dismayed until I reach the height of fulfilment.
To whom we gave place by subjection, no, not for an hour; that the truth of the gospel might continue with you. Galatians 2:5
4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I reject every enchantment, sorcery, or demonic attacks against my purpose in life.
O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth... Galatians. 3:1
5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I live in the power of God's revelational truth, I shall be guided, Spirit of truth will occupy my life and I shall not fall into error or miss my way.
Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth. John 16:13
6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I ask for the revelation I need to fulfill the purpose of God for my life to be revealed.
And now will I shew thee the truth. Behold, there shall stand up. Daniel 11:2
7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, your church shall operate in the realm of the Supernatural to confound the powers of the world, the church shall move in the realm of revelational power and never be conquered.
The king answered unto Daniel, and said, of a truth it is, that your God is a God of gods, and a Lord of kings, and a revealer of secrets, seeing thou couldst reveal this secret. Daniel 2:47

DAY TWENTY-FIVE

TOPIC: TRANSFORMED BY TROUBLE

WORD ON THE TOPIC: As the refining pot for silver and the furnace for gold [bring forth all the impurities of the metal], so let a man be in his trial.

The purity of silver and gold is tested, by putting them in the fire; The purity of human hearts is tested, By giving them a little fame. Proverbs 27:2 |

INTRODUCTION: Trouble is a situation that no one will ever pray for or desires to go through, but the truth is that it is inevitable. We cannot run away from it; it is part of our creation, and it is part of God's programme for humanity. It is God's production workshop where destiny is reshaped and reformed. According to the above passage, our life's purpose and its fulfilment cannot be fully shaped according to God's standard if not through troubles. When we pass through fire, that is when the ashes of our lives are exchanged for beauty. Our lives will exhibit grace when it has gone through the tunnel of trouble. Joseph went through trouble before his dreams became a reality and, Abraham went through a lot before he became the father of Nations, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ went through a lot before he became the King of kings and Lord of Lords. If we don't go through anything, we can become anything.

PRAYERS:

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I thank you for being my refuge and protection in times of trouble, I sincerely appreciate you for your presence in time of trials.

The LORD also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble. Psalms 9:9

2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I ask for your power and your presence during my trying period, let your life be my strength and sustenance.

Thou, which hast shewed me great and sore troubles, shalt quicken me again, and shalt bring me up again from the depths of the earth. Psalms 71:20

3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, teach me how to call upon you in the day of trouble and how to hear from you. Give me the grace to be closer to you in the place of prayer.

Then they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, and he saved them out of their distresses. Psalms 107:13

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, whatever trouble I must go through to fulfill my purpose in life, let me receive your help on a regular basis.

Give us help from trouble: for vain is the help of man. Psalms 108:12

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, whatever I must go through to bring out the best in me, help me to go through it to your praise and glory.

As the fining pot for silver, and the furnace for gold; so is a man to his praise. Proverbs 27:21

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, Lord, whatever I need to sacrifice to you, or whatever I need to give up in me for my life to be fulfilled, help me to sacrifice it by fire for you.

And thou shalt receive them of their hands, and burn them upon the altar for a burnt offering, for a sweet savour before the LORD: it is an offering made by fire unto the LORD. Exodus 29:25

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I will not faint nor be tired in the day of trouble, but I will continually receive strength from above to carry me through.

If thou faint in the day of adversity, thy strength is small. Proverbs 24:10

DAY TWENTY-SIX

TOPIC: GROWING THROUGH TEMPTATION

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *The great temptations which thine eyes saw, and the signs, and the wonders, and the mighty hand, and the stretched-out arm, whereby the LORD thy God brought thee out: so shall the LORD thy God do unto all the people of whom thou art afraid. Deuteronomy 7:19*

INTRODUCTION: Growing through temptation is another avenue where God opens our eyes to the mystery of the world and the Kingdom. Temptation has its benefits even when it was intended by the tempter for another reason. God doesn't tempt but He allows temptation to come our way as his children for us to understand His way, His word, and His will. Lack of knowledge kills, but the entrance of His Word gives understanding even as we pass through temptations. (Hosea 4:6, Psalms 119:130). We cannot grow through temptation if we neglect the source of knowledge – THE Word. The word is the way out of temptation and the power of the Lord in time of our weaknesses. I Corinthians 10:13 There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.

PRAYERS

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I thank you for your ever abiding power to deliver my life out of every temptation on my way this year.
The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished: 2 Peter 2:
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, keep me in the hour of temptation, may I not fall prey to the devil.
Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth. Revelation 3:10
3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, power to stand upright in the face of temptation like Joseph, rest on me, I ask for wisdom and inner strength to stand out in the time of temptation.

Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him. James 1:12

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, my inner man rise and refuse every arrow of spiritual sleep fired at you for you to fall into temptation.
And said unto them, why sleep ye? Rise and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. Luke 22:46

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, Lord, may I not lose your kingdom to temptation, whatever temptation may come my way, my kingdom mantle will never be lost.
Ye are they which have continued with me in my temptations. And I appoint unto you a kingdom, as my Father hath appointed unto me; That ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel. Luke 22:28-30

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, bless your church with the spirit of revelation and wisdom.
That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him: Ephesians 1:17

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I receive the spirit to be watchful and prayerful, I will be more careful and sensitive to the temptation of the devil, I refuse to fall into temptation.
Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. The spirit truly is ready, but the flesh is weak. Mark 14:38

DAY TWENTY-SEVEN

TOPIC: DEFEATING TEMPTATION

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *Remember that the temptations that come into your life are no different from what others experience. And God is faithful. He will keep the temptation from becoming so strong that you can't stand up against it. When you are tempted, he will show you a way out so that you will not give in to it. I Corinthians 10:13*

INTRODUCTION: The battle against sin is won or lost in our mind. Whatever gets our attention will get us. There is always a way out of every temptation. We may sometimes feel that a temptation is too overpowering for us to bear, but that is a lie from Satan. He throws such lies at us so we can bury our head in hopelessness. God has promised never to allow more on us than He puts within us to handle it. He will not permit any temptation that we could not overcome. However, we must realize that anytime temptation is thrown on our way, it is a signal that God has a higher assignment for us, and we are being prepared for the task. Temptation drives us to a deep, serious study of ourselves; it makes us take ourselves all to pieces, to analyze our affections, our wills, our motives, our propensities; it makes us search the quality of our actions, thoughts, words; it makes us scrutinize our real chances for heaven or hell; it makes us dig in solitude to the very secret foundation of our character.

PRAYERS

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I thank you for the power of the Holy Spirit in my life and provision for escape in temptation.
And God is faithful. He will keep the temptation from becoming so strong that you can't stand up against it. When you are tempted, he will show you a way out so that you will not give in to it. I Corinthians 10:13
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I receive the grace to always flee from all appearance of sin without negotiation.
12 And she caught him by his garment, saying, lie with me: and he left his garment in her hand, and fled, and got him out (Gen 39:12).

3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, always lead me out of evil but on the path of holiness and righteousness.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from the evil one. (Matthew 6:13)
4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, Holy Spirit, quicken me to always stay alert and on guard in the battlefield of life.
Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak. (Matthew 26:41)
5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, let there always be a genuine appetite and thirst for righteousness in my life.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake (Ps 23:2-3).
6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, let the appetite for spiritual food increase in the heart of Your church.
But he answered and said, it is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God (Matt 4:4).
7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I command every power of darkness that is fighting hard against my spirituality to bow.
Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve (Matt 4:10).

DAY TWENTY-EIGHT

TOPIC: IT TAKES TIME

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *I am sure that God who began the good work within you will keep right on helping you grow in his grace until his task within you is finally finished on that day when Jesus Christ returns. Philippians. 1:6*

INTRODUCTION: There are no shortcuts to maturity. It takes years for us to grow to adulthood, and it takes a full season for fruit to mature and ripen. The same is true for the fruit of the Spirit. The development of Christ-like character cannot be rushed. Spiritual growth, like physical growth, takes time. When you try to ripen fruit quickly, it loses its flavor. In America, tomatoes are usually picked unripened, so they won't get bruised during shipping to the stores. Then, before they are sold, these green tomatoes are sprayed with "CO₂ gas" to turn them red instantly. Gassed tomatoes are edible, but they are no match to the flavor of a vine-ripened tomato that is allowed to mature slowly. While we worry about how fast we grow, God is concerned about how strong we grow. God views our lives from and for eternity, so he is never in a hurry.

PRAYERS:

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, empower me to grow in all aspect into divine nature.
but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him who is the head, even Christ, (Ephesians 4:15)
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, flush out of my spiritual pipe, everything that negates spiritual fruitfulness.
so that you will walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; (Colossians 1:10)
3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I decree that my growth in love for everyone will never be stunted.
and may the Lord cause you to increase and abound in love for one another, and for all people, just as we also do for you; (1 Thessalonians 3:12)

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, kindle in me, the love which knows no boundaries.
for indeed you do practice it toward all the brethren who are in all Macedonia. But we urge you, brethren, to excel still more, (1 Thessalonians 4:10)

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I break the yoke of spiritual laziness and carelessness retarding my craving for growth.
Therefore, leaving the elementary teaching about the Christ, let us press on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, (Hebrews 6:1)

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I pray that you fill me to the brim with the exact knowledge of your will in wisdom and spiritual understanding.
like newborn babies, long for the pure milk of the word, so that by it you may grow in respect to salvation, (1 Peter 2:2)

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I ask that the fruit of patience and faith will increasingly manifest in me.
Now for this very reason also, applying all diligence, in your faith supply moral excellence, and in your moral excellence, knowledge, (2 Peter 1:5)

DAY TWENTY-NINE

TOPIC: ACCEPTING YOUR ASSIGNMENT

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *It is God himself who has made us what we are and given us new lives from Christ Jesus; and long ages ago he planned that we should spend these lives in helping others. Ephesians 2:10*

INTRODUCTION: We were put on earth to make a contribution. We weren't created just to consume resources - to eat, breathe, and take up space. God designed us to make a difference with our lives. We were created to add to life on earth, not just take from it. God wants us to give something back. This is God's purpose for our life, and it is called our "ministry," or service. We were created to serve God. The Bible says, "[God] has created us for a life of good deeds, which he has already prepared for us to do." These "good deeds" are our service. Whenever we serve others in any way, we are serving God and fulfilling one of our purposes. Brethren, God has carefully shaped and wired us for the purpose of using our best for the best of everyone around us. A life that is lived by purpose is not just consuming, but massively contributing to the Kingdom of God and humanity.

PRAYERS:

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I decree my life will never be messed up, but will be lived to attract men to the Kingdom of God.
Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity. (1 Timothy 4:12)
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I break my life from the group of unfriendly and ungodly friends.
Walk with the wise and become wise, for a companion of fools suffers harm (Proverbs 13:20).
3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, as salt breeds sweetness, let my life become a source of sweetness to my generation.
"You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot (Matthew 5:13)

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, please surround my life with right people.
Do not be misled: “Bad company corrupts good character.” (1 Corinthians 15:33)

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I receive the power of God to preach the irresistible gospel of Christ for the advancement of Your Kingdom.
Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, (Matthew 28:19)

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, grant Your Church great grace to do exploits in Nigeria and in the world at large.
...but the people that do know their God shall be strong and do exploits (Daniel 11:32).

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, make me the light and source of solution for my generation.
And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, Forasmuch as God hath shewed thee all this, there is none so discreet and wise as thou art: (Gen 41:39)

DAY THIRTY

TOPIC: SHAPED FOR SERVING GOD

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *The people I have shaped for myself will broadcast my praises. Isaiah 43:21*

INTRODUCTION: We were shaped to serve God. God formed every creature on this planet with a special area of expertise. Some animals run, some hop, some swim, some burrow, and some fly. Each has a particular role to play, based on the way they were shaped by God. The same is true with humans. Each of us was uniquely designed, or "shaped," to do certain things. Before architects design any new building they first ask, "What will be its purpose? How will it be used?" The intended function always determines the form of the building. Before God created us, he decided what role he wanted us to play on earth. He planned exactly how he wanted us to serve him, and then he shaped us for those tasks. The Bible says, "We are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works. We are God's handcrafted work of art. We are not an assembly-line product, mass produced without thought. We are a custom-designed, one-of-a-kind, original masterpiece. God deliberately shaped and formed us to serve him in a way that makes our ministry unique."

PRAYERS:

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, thank you for giving opportunities to ordinary human people like me to have a place with you and to be called into the service of your kingdom.

"For I was hungry, and you gave me food, I was thirsty, and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked, and you clothed me, I was sick, and you visited me, I was in prison, and you came to me. Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." (Matthew 25:35-40)

2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, empower me to live a life with positive influence in my generation for your glory.

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord." (1 Peter 4:10-11)

3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I give all that I have for the advancement of Your Kingdom from today.
"For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many." (Mark 10:45)

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I ask for the grace never to labour in vain.
"Rendering service with a good will as to the Lord and not to man, knowing that whatever good anyone does, this he will receive back from the Lord, whether he is a slave or free." (Ephesians 6:7-8)

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, rid me by your word of every sin and weight that may disqualify and make me unfit for your use and glory.
But be very careful to keep the commandment and the law that Moses the servant of the LORD gave you: to love the LORD your God, to walk in obedience to him, to keep his commands, to hold fast to him and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul." (Joshua 22:5)

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I decree that I will never miss my rewards here on earth and in eternity.
God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them. (Heb. 6:10)

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, give me a willing heart, a heart that is ready to do all your commands.
Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord." Mark 10:45

DAY THIRTY-ONE

TOPIC: UNDERSTANDING YOUR SHAPE

WORD ON THE TOPIC: And Moses said to the children of Israel, “See, the Lord has called by name Bezalel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah; and He has filled him with the Spirit of God, in wisdom and understanding, in knowledge and all manner of workmanship, to design artistic works, to work in gold and silver and bronze, in cutting jewels for setting, in carving wood, and to work in all manner of artistic workmanship. (Exodus 35:30-33)

INTRODUCTION: God designed each of us so there would be no duplication in the world. No one has the exact same mix of factors that make you unique. That means no one else on earth will ever be able to play the role God planned for you. If you don't make your unique contribution to the Body of Christ, it won't be made.

Your shape is applying your abilities, your abilities are the natural talents you were born with. Some people have a natural ability with words: They came out of the womb talking! Other people have natural athletic abilities, excelling in physical coordination. Still others are good at mathematics or music or mechanics. Today God still bestows these abilities and thousands of others, so people can serve him.

PRAYER

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, thank you for the unique ability you gave to me to be able to live a fulfilling life.
In his grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well. (Romans 12:6a)
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I pray that you open my eyes of understanding to discover my unique gifts and abilities that I had left dormant in me.
I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people. (Eph. 1:18)

3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I receive grace to make Kingdom Building my goal rather than just a Wealth Builder.
So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God. (1 Cor. 10:31)

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me to discover my ministry, my place in your church, that I may be able to use my abilities rightly.
There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. (1 Corinthians 12:6)

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, deliver me from the bondage of inferiority complex, and enable me to do your work with confidence.
For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind. (2 Tim. 1:7)

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, empower me to harness the purpose of my molding through my experiences for the development of your kingdom.
Who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God. (2 Corinthians 1:4)

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I receive grace to acknowledge as the power behind every of my deeds and achievement.
In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths. (Proverbs 3:6)

DAY THIRTY-TWO

TOPIC: USING WHAT GOD GAVE YOU

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *Don't act thoughtlessly but understand what the Lord wants you to do. (Eph. 5:17)*

INTRODUCTION: He shaped you for a purpose, and he expects you to make the most of what you have been given. He doesn't want you to worry about or covet abilities you don't have. Instead he wants you to focus on talents he has given you to use. When you attempt to serve God in ways you're not shaped to serve, it feels like forcing a square peg into a round hole. It's frustrating and produces limited results. It also wastes your time, your talent, and your energy. The best use of your life is to serve God out of your shape. To do this you must discover your shape, learn to accept and enjoy it, and then develop it to its fullest potential.

PRAYER

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, enable me this season to find out and clarify what you intend for me to be and do.
Don't act thoughtlessly, but understand what the Lord wants you to do. (Eph. 5:17)
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me to learn to accept your purpose for my life, enjoy it, and then develop it to its fullest potential.
For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith. (Romans 12:3)
3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, give me the passion to serve you, through which I will be able to discover and fulfill my purpose in life.
Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. (Romans 12:11)
4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I receive the power to convert all my experiences and disciplines for your praise and glory.
Remember today that your children were not the ones who saw and

experienced the discipline of the LORD your God: his majesty, his mighty hand, his outstretched arm;

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I receive grace not to resent or reject or reshape your shaping for my life. Instead let me celebrate the shape you have given only to me.
But who are you, a human being, to talk back to God? “Shall what is formed say to the one who formed it, 'Why did you make me like this? (Romans 9:20)

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I choose avoid comparisons, resist exaggerations, and seek only your commendation in all things.
For we dare not class ourselves or compare ourselves with those who commend themselves. But they, measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing themselves among themselves, are not wise. (2 Cor. 10:12)

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, work in me to cultivate my gifts and abilities, keep my hearts aflame, grow my character increasingly so as to be effective in your service.
For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands. (2 Timothy 1:6)

DAY THIRTY-THREE

TOPIC: HOW REAL SERVANTS ACT

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. (Mark 10:45)*

INTRODUCTION: Jesus measured greatness in terms of service, not status. God determines your greatness by how many people you serve, not how many people serve you. This is so contrary to the world's idea of greatness that we have a hard time understanding it, much less practicing it.

While knowing your shape (abilities and gifts) is important for serving God, having the heart of a servant is even more important. Remember, God shaped you for service, not for self-centeredness. Without a servant's heart, you will be tempted to misuse your shape for personal gain. You will also be tempted to use it as an excuse to exempt yourself from meeting some needs.

PRAYER

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, create afresh in me, the heart of a servant, so I can serve as you did.
As free, and not using your liberty for a cloak of maliciousness, but as the servants of God. (1 Peter 2:16)
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I receive wisdom to deliver my responsibility faithfully and not to despise the days of little beginning.
His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master. (Matthew 25:21)
3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I receive grace to make the most of every opportunity to do good to all people as you have laid down an example for us.
Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers. (Galatians 6:10)
4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, deliver me from the bondage of laziness

& comparison of tasks, and help me to do every task with equal dedication.

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters. (Colossians 3:23)

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, as your servants help me to finish my tasks, fulfill my responsibilities, keep the promises, and complete my commitments.

His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.' (Matthew 25:21)

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I embrace a humble lifestyle, endow me with the enabling grace to do serve without eye-service.

“Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of others to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven. (Matthew 6:1)

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me keep on serving you and not to be discouraged when my service is unnoticed or taken for granted.

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord. (1 Cor. 15:58)

DAY THIRTY-FOUR

TOPIC: THINKING LIKE A SERVANT

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *But my servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and hath followed me fully, him will I bring into the land whereinto he went; and his seed shall possess it (Number 14:24).*

Think of yourselves the way Christ Jesus thought of himself. Philippians. 2:5

INTRODUCTION: Real servants don't try to use God for their purposes. They let God use them for his purposes. Church today is experiencing the dearth of true spirit of servant. Everyone is looking for power and how to maximize it. Service starts in our mind. To be a servant requires a mental shift, a change in our attitudes. God is always more interested in why we do something than in what we do. Attitudes count more than achievements. King Amaziah lost God's favor because "he did what was right in the sight of the LORD, yet not with a true heart." Real servants serve God with a mindset of humble attitudes. Servants think more about others than about themselves. Servants focus on others, not themselves. This is true humility: not thinking less of ourselves but thinking of ourselves less. They are self-forgetful. Paul said, "Forget yourselves long enough to lend a helping hand." This is what it means to "lose your life" forgetting yourself in service to others. When we stop focusing on our own needs, we become aware of the needs around us.

PRAYERS

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I thank You for the model of servant leadership we have through your Son and I pray that you help me tailor my life in His pattern.

***"It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be your slave, even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."* (Matthew 20:26–28)**

2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I pray today that I will never be a failure but a fruitful and faithful servant at my duty post.
Everyone to whom much was given, of him much will be required, and

from him to whom they entrusted much, they will demand the more (Luke 12:48).

3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I pray that none of my children or any member of my family/church will be wayward.
Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood (Acts 20:28).
4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, kindle in our heart the fire of true spirit of service.
It is not this way among you, but whoever wishes to become great among you shall be your servant (Matthew 20:26)
5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, as I serve in your vineyard, give me to be submissive to those in position of authority.
Servants, be submissive to your masters with all respect, not only to those who are good and gentle, but also to those who are unreasonable (1 Peter 2:18).
6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, raise sacrificial and visionary leaders for this nation. Leaders who will not be feasting at the detriment of the people.
Woe to you, O land, whose king is a lad and whose princes feast in the morning (Ecclesiastes 10:16).
7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help our church leaders to reduce the show of personality for You to increase.
He must increase, but I must decrease (John 3:30).

DAY THIRTY-FIVE

TOPIC: GOD'S POWER IN YOUR WEAKNESS

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *We are weak ... yet by God's power we will live with him to serve you. (2 Corinthians 13:4)*

INTRODUCTION: Everyone has weaknesses. In fact, we have a bundle of flaws and imperfections: physical, emotional, intellectual, and spiritual. We may also have uncontrollable circumstances that weaken us, such as financial or relational limitations. The more important issue is what we do with these. Usually we deny our weaknesses, defend them, excuse them, hide them, and resent them. This prevents God from using them the way he desires. God has a different perspective on our weaknesses. He says, "My thoughts and my ways are higher than yours, Isa. 55:8" so he often acts in ways that are the exact opposite of what we expect. We think that God only wants to use our strengths, but he also wants to use our weaknesses for his glory. Let us just as we are come to the throne of mercy this morning in prayer.

PRAYERS

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I thank You for the constant assistance I daily receive through Your groaning Spirit.
Likewise, the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered (Rom 8:26).
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, release upon me sufficient grace to live a buoyant life even in my weakness.
But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me (2 Corinthians 12:9)
3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I decree that supernatural strength for all-round success rest upon me.
I can do all things through him who strengthens me (Philippians 4:13).

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, my inner man, receive supernatural power for the task ahead.
He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength (Isaiah 40:29).

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I receive power to subdue every manifestation of the flesh.
My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever (Psalm 73:26).

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I ask that Your presence will always be visible in all paths of my life to comfort and strengthen me.
Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand (Isaiah 41:10).

DAY THIRTY-SIX

TOPIC: MADE FOR A MISSION

WORD ON THE TOPIC: In the same way that you gave me a mission in the world, I give them a mission in the world. John 17:18

INTRODUCTION: You were made for a mission. God is at work in the world, and he wants you to join him. This assignment is called your mission. God wants you to have both a ministry in the Body of Christ and a mission in the world. Your ministry is your service to believers, and your mission is your service to unbelievers. Your life mission is both shared and specific. One part of it is a responsibility you share with every other Christian, and the other part is an assignment that is unique to you. The English word "mission" comes from the Latin word for "sending." Being a Christian includes being sent into the world as a representative of Jesus Christ. Jesus said, "As the Father has sent me, I am sending you. Jesus clearly understood his life mission on earth. At age twelve he said, "I must be about my Father's business," and twenty-one years later, He finished it on the cross. Jesus completed the mission the Father gave him.

The mission Jesus had while on earth is now our mission because we are the Body of Christ.

PRAYERS

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I receive your divine courage and boldness to fulfil the great commission.

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go. Joshua 1:9

2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, may your encounter form my experience as I proclaim your name in this path of eternity as I zealously proclaim your name.

And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed. Exo 3:2

3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, may I (and my household) not be swayed and distracted from the mission of Christ.
Demas has left me because he loved the things of this world. He has gone to the city of Thessalonica. Crescens has gone to Galatia, and Titus to Dalmatia. 2 Timothy 4:10

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I receive your enabling grace to finish my mission diligently and faithfully on earth. I won't end it halfway oh Lord!
When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, 'It is finished,' and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit" John 19:30

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, at the end of my course, may you lay upon my head that crown of righteousness. I will not miss my lot!
Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing. 2 Timothy 4:8

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, endue your ministers and your church with power to convincingly recover the lost back to the fold.
Now when they heard Peter's words, they were cut to the heart. They asked Peter and the other apostles, 'Brothers, what shall we do?'" Acts 2:37

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, encounter and arrest with your powerful right hand, every principality that is harassing the spread of your gospel in this Nation.
As he traveled and was nearing Damascus, a light from heaven suddenly flashed around him. Falling to the ground, he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?" "Who are You, Lord?" he said. "I am Jesus, the One you are persecuting," He replied. "But get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do. Act 9:3-6

DAY: THIRTY-SEVEN

TOPIC: SHARING YOUR LIFE MESSAGE

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *Those who believe in the son of God have the testimony of God in them. 1John 5:10a*

Your lives are echoing the Master's word The news of your faith in God is out. We don't even have to say anything anymore -you're the message!

1Thessalonians 1:8

INTRODUCTION

God has given you a Life Message to share. When you became a believer, you also became God's messenger. God wants to speak to the world through you. Paul said, "We speak the truth before God, as messengers of God". You may feel you don't have anything to share, but that's the Devil trying to keep you silent. You have a storehouse of experiences that God wants to use to bring others into his family. The Bible says, "Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony of God in them."

Your Life Message has four parts to it:

Your testimony: the story of how you began a relationship with Jesus

Your life lessons: the most important lessons God has taught you

Your godly passions: the issues God shaped you to care about most

The Good News: the message of salvation

PRAYERS.

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I thank you Lord for the privilege of adoption and the grace to serve you as Lord.

But there were people who did believe in his name. They did receive him. He gave all those who received him and believed him the right to become children of God. John 1:12

2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I receive grace and confidence to reach out to people and magnify Jesus in my Life.

Come, see a man, which told me all things that ever I did: is not this the Christ? John 4:29

3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, may my mouth be an instrument of good tidings, edification, and peace that will draw men out of obscurity into perpetual light.

My heart is inditing a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made touching the king: My tongue is The pen of a ready writer. Psalm 45:1

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, my testimonies henceforth become a threat to demote and repose every hoax of the devil against the people of God.

Your servant has killed both lion and bear; and this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, seeing he has defied the armies of the living God.” I Samuel 7:36

5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I yield totally unto you today, that I may be a battle axe and my life a channel of restoring my household and by extension the world to Christ.

And they glorified God in me. Gal 1:24

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, let your church be a burning and shining light once again, and roll away every reproach against her and your name.

Therefore I make a decree: Any people, nation, or language that utters blasphemy against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego shall be torn limb from limb, and their houses laid in ruins; for there is no other god who is able to deliver in this way.” Daniel 3:29

DAY THIRTY-EIGHT

TOPIC: BECOMING A WORLD-CLASS CHRISTIAN

WORD ON THE TOPIC:

INTRODUCTION: Great Commission is your commission.

You have a choice to make. You will be either a world-class Christian or a worldly Christian. Worldly Christians look to God primarily for personal fulfillment. They are saved, but self-centered. They love to attend concerts and enrichment seminars, but you would never find them at a missions' conference because they aren't interested. Their prayers focus on their own needs, blessings, and happiness. It's a "me-first" faith: They want to use God for their purposes instead of being used for his purposes.

In contrast, world-class Christians know they were saved to serve and made for a mission. They are eager to receive a personal assignment and excited about the privilege of being used by God. World-class Christians are the only fully alive people on the planet. Their joy, confidence, and enthusiasm are contagious because they know they're making a difference. They wake up each morning expecting God to work through them in fresh ways. Which type of Christian do you want to be? God invites you to participate in the greatest, largest, most diverse, and most significant cause in history - His kingdom.

PRAYERS.

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I receive that grace to totally yield unto you and totally submit my life for your purpose and commission.
And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her. LUKE 1:38
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I decree by your mercy that no power of hell or scheme of man, neither will the pleasure of the world refrain me from becoming a world class Christian.
For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 8:35-39

3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I declare boldly my allegiance to you even in the phase of adversity my anchor will hold in You.
Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, answered and said to the king, O Nebuchadnezzar, we are not careful to answer thee in this matter. If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king. But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up. Daniel 3:16-18

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I confess and declare today, that I will hold back nothing (my wealth, time, and skill) from you for the edification of the gospel.
And laid them down at the apostles' feet: and distribution was made unto every man according as he had need. And Joses, who by the apostles was surnamed Barnabas, (which is, being interpreted, The son of consolation,) a Levite, and of the country of Cyprus, Having land, sold it, and brought the money, and laid it at the apostles' feet. Act 3: 35 - 37

5. Father in the name of Jesus, as for me and my household, we will not see the weight of the great commission as a burden rather we will count it as joy.
And they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for his name.” Act 5:41

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, let the zeal of your house eat us up and consume us as individual and as a church.
For the zeal of thine house hath eaten me up; And the reproaches of them that reproached thee are fallen upon me. Psalm 69:9

7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, let your word reign supreme in this Nation and let the Nations of the world come to the brightness of her light.
And when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the church, and taught much people. And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch. Act 11:26

DAY THIRTY-NINE

TOPIC: BALANCING YOUR LIFE.

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *Don't let the errors of evil people lead you down the wrong path and make you lose your balance. 2 Peter 3:17*

INTRODUCTION: Blessed are the balanced; they shall outlast everyone. One of the events in the Summer Olympics is the pentathlon. It is composed of five events: pistol shooting, fencing, horseback riding, running, and swimming. The pentathlete's goal is to succeed in all five areas, not just one or two. Your life is a pentathlon of five purposes, which you must keep in balance. These purposes were practiced by the first Christians in Acts 2, explained by Paul in Ephesians 4, and modeled by Jesus in John 17, but they are summarized in the Great Commandment and the Great Commission of Jesus. These two statements sum up what this book is all about - God's five purposes for your life:

1. "Love God with all your heart": You were planned for God's pleasure, so your purpose is to love God through worship.
2. "Love your neighbor as yourself": You were shaped for serving, so your purpose is to show love for others through ministry.
3. "Go and make disciples": You were made for a mission, so your purpose is to share God's message through evangelism.
4. "baptize them into . . .": You were formed for God's family, so your purpose is to identify with his church through fellowship.
5. "teach them to do all things ...": You were created to become like Christ, so your purpose is to grow to maturity through discipleship.

PRAYERS.

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I commit my whole essence, intentionally, to that which is needful and to that which matters.
And Jesus answered and said unto her, Martha, Martha, thou art careful and troubled about many things: But one thing is needful: and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her. Luke 10:41-42
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, help me and my household this year and beyond to tarry, labour and be studious in that which edifies the spirit.

This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success. Joshua 1:8

3. Father in the name of Jesus, my mind and spirit is well disposed, aligned and receptive to every spiritual activity of the people of God this season.
Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching. Hebrews 10:25

4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, as I wait on you, my inner man is quickened and disciplined unto righteousness.
But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway. 1 Corinthians 9: 27

5. Father in the name of Jesus, I receive divine strength to function as occasion demands of me in every aspect of my life.
When a farmer plows for planting, does he plow continually? Does he keep on breaking up and working the soil? Isaiah 28:24

6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, may your church not lose her vision. Help us to major in that which gives honour and glory to your name.
Then the twelve called the multitude of the disciples unto them, and said, It is not reason that we should leave the word of God, and serve tables. Acts 6:2

7. Father in the name of Jesus, direct the hearts of our national leaders, that they may bring about a shift in paradigm in the affairs of this Nation.
Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with all your might Ecclesiastes 9:10

DAY FORTY

TOPIC: LIVING WITH PURPOSE

WORD ON THE TOPIC: *Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails. Proverbs 19:21*

For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption: (Acts 13:36)

INTRODUCTION:

Living on purpose is the only way to really live. Everything else is just existing. Most people struggle with three basic issues in life. The first is identity: "Who am I?" The second is importance: "Do I matter?" The third is impact: "What is my place in life?" In the Upper Room, as Jesus was concluding his last day of ministry with his disciples, he washed their feet as an example and said, "Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them." Once you know what God wants you to do, the blessing comes in doing it. As we come to the end of our forty-day journey together, now that you know God's purposes for your life, you will be blessed if you do them! This probably means you will have to stop doing some other things. There are many "good" things you can do with your life, but God's purposes are the essentials you must do. Unfortunately, it's easy to get distracted and forget what is most important. It's easy to drift away from what matters most and slowly get off course. To prevent this, you should develop a purpose statement for your life and then review it regularly.

PRAYERS:

1. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I decree that my time and season of glorification will not pass me by.
***"To everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven."* (Ecclesiastes 3:1)**
2. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, as I live by purpose, make me a source of solution to my generation.
***"And God sent me before you to preserve a posterity for you in the earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance."* (Genesis 45:7)**

3. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, establish and make me prosper in Your plan and purpose for my life.
“The LORD of hosts has sworn, saying, 'surely, as I have thought, so it shall come to pass, and as I have purposed, so it shall stand.'” (Isaiah 14:24)
4. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I cut off every past event and memory that is slowing down the manifestation of Your purpose for my life.
Moses my servant is dead; now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, thou, and all this people, unto the land which I do give to them, even to the children of Israel (Joshua 1:2).
5. Father in the name of Jesus Christ,
But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself (Dan 1:8).
6. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, connect me with right companion/people that will help me to fulfill my purpose.
Then Daniel went to his house, and made the thing known to Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, his companions: (Dan 2:17)
7. Father in the name of Jesus Christ, I receive grace to be faithful as I go about Your business for my life.
And he said unto them, how is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business? (Luke 2:49)