



WALKING BY FAITH

CHRIST CENTERED ENCOURAGEMENT IN UNCERTAIN TIMES

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Hello, friend!

Whenever you feel like God has put something on your heart to do, be encouraged to commit that dream to Him and begin walking by faith, trusting Him to accomplish it in His way and in His timing... In February God was impressing on me to create a series of video devotions that would be for a month of encouragement. Tri-pod out and devotions planned out, nearly 30 videos were recorded. I got home and started uploading them, all to find out that only 8 of them were unmarred by wind noise. Disappointed, but hopeful that God would work something out, I resigned to the fact that more videos would need to be made.

The corona virus was on the banks of the nation and soon spread wide bringing gatherings to a halt and souls stranded. During a prayer time with my dear friend Emily, she was praying, and I really felt the Holy Spirit give me an idea to start a Facebook community or platform of some sort to connect with other small business owners and encourage them during this uncertain time... You know a **small** community of likeminded people who can relate and lift each other up in prayer.


After the delivery of the first video, I felt led to invite more than just my network of business friends... why not extend it to family friends, connections around the nation and their friends too?

It has been an amazing journey thus far, totally sustained by the grace of God and daily anointing of the Holy Spirit. I marvel at what God is doing in Believers all around as the Body of Christ is rising up by getting on our knees and being awakened to His call on our lives in such a time as this. Fifty days and counting...

Here we are, Lord, send us... use us daily for your glory. May we walk by faith, living in your light, and encouraging each other in your Word.

Grace, Joy & Love in Christ,

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2 Corinthians 5:7 NKJV

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Welcome to Walking By Faith

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Day 1. Let the journey begin today as we pray and seek the Lord for His grace and strength during this time and in the days to come!

Psalm 140:6-7

Day 2.

Psalm 57

John 15

Day 3.

Psalm 47

Psalm 27

Daily abide in Christ...

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Day 4.

Psalm 112

Colossians 3:1-4

Day 5.

Jeremiah 33:1-3

Psalm 113

Acts 16:25-26

Proverbs 15:30

1 Timothy 2

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Day 6.

Let's read in Psalm 57, Psalm 65 and Revelation 1!

Here are some wonderful names and character traits of God for us to ponder and praise Him for:

1. Refuge (Psalm 57:1)
2. Love (1 John 4:8, Psalm 57:10)
3. Faithful (Psalm 57:10)
4. Glorious, Worthy (Psalm 57:11)
5. One Who hears prayer (Psalm 65:2)
6. Forgiver (Psalm 65:3)
7. One Who answers (Psalm 65:5)
8. Righteous (Psalm 65:5)
9. Savior (Jesus) (Psalm 65:5)
10. Provider (Psalm 65:11)
11. Alpha & Omega (Revelation 1:11)

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Day 7.

Let's take a few minutes to see what God has to say in Ephesians 4:1-3 and Ephesians 5:15-17!

Lord, help us to make the most of every day and every opportunity for your glory!!

Day 8.

What an honor to share with you from 1 Kings 17 and Psalm 62:5-10!

Let's think of all the times God has been faithful and praise Him!

Day 9.

Let's REJOICE in & REVERENCE the Lord!

We will be reading in Psalm 97 and Romans 12:12

Have a wonderful day full of God's joy!

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Day 10.

Let's dive into 1 Peter 2 and Psalm 73! God has wonderful things to share with us!

Here are 5 C's He showed me:

Cut off/ Cast Off sin (and repent)

Crave God & His Word

Come to Him

Chosen by God

Called out of darkness into His light!

Day 11.

What an honor it is to share with you from Psalm 147:1-6, 11 and 1 John 1:9, and 1 John 2:1-2,5 and 14. There is so much richness in God's Word!

Themes from today's Scriptures:

Praise

Repentance

Identity in Christ

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Day 12.

We get to read in several Psalms today:

Psalms 37:7a

Psalms 105:4

Psalms 63:1

Psalms 62:1

Psalms 65:1a

Let's remember to be still and seek the Lord

Day 13.

Let's take a look at Hebrews 12:1-2, Matthew 11:28-29 and Matthew 14:29-33.

Let's fix our eyes on Jesus and run this race He has called us to!

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Day 14.

What an honor it is to share with you the following Scriptures:

1 Peter 3:8-12

Philippians 2:2-11

Isaiah 53:6-7 (come back and read the full chapter this week- it's amazing)

John 13:34-35

Have a wonderful day! May we have the same attitude as Jesus...

Day 15.

Let's read through Psalm 138 and Matthew 6:20-21!

Today's theme is whole hearted worship and 14 ways to praise God!

Have a wonderful day!

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Day 16.

Welcome to day 16! God is so faithful!

Let's look at John 13:1-18 and 2 Thessalonians 3:5 today!

Jesus is our example of humility, love and a servant's heart!

Day 17.

Let's see what God has to show us in Psalm 57:1-2,11, 1 Timothy 2:1-6a, and 2 Peter 3:9.

Have a wonderful day!

Day 18.

It's day 18, can you believe it?! God is so good!

We will be reading in Colossians 3:15-16, Proverbs 22:17-21, and Psalm 1:1-3.

Have a wonderful day, and may we let God's peace and His Word fill our hearts!

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Day 19.

Let's read in Matthew 21:1-11 and Psalm 24:7-10!

Have a blessed day!

Day 20.

A new day, a new opportunity to walk by faith...

Let's read through Psalm 32 and take a look at 1 Peter 2:24, Psalm 51:9-10, 12, and Isaiah 43:2!

Themes:

God's forgiveness

God's deliverance

God's instruction

God's joy

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Day 21.

Woo hoo- welcome to week 3 (day 21)! God is so faithful!

Let's read through John 15:5-27!

May we not be merely casually associated with Christ, but closely abiding in Him!

Day 22.

Let's enjoy Psalm 34 and Psalm 91!

Day 23.

God is so faithful, isn't He?!

Let's be refreshed in Philippians 3:18-4:9 and Exodus 15:11!

Perspective

Prayer

Peace of God

Practice

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Day 24.

What an honor to share God's Word and pray!

We will be sharing about the "Heart of Our Savior" and "Access Accepted"...

Romans 5:8

Romans 6:23

Romans 5:9

Galatians 3:26

Isaiah 53

Luke 23:39-43

Matthew 27:50-51

Psalms 103:10-12

Thank you, Jesus, for ALL that you've done for us!!!

Day 25.

Happy day 25! Glory to God! We have Victory in Jesus!!

Let's read Philippians 2:5-11, 12b-16a and 1 Corinthians 15:2-8, 55-58!

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Day 26.

Jesus is alive and God's plan of redemption has prevailed!

Our main passage will be Luke 24:13-35, but we will also mention:

1 Peter 1:19-20

Colossians 1:15-16

Isaiah 53

John 1:14

Hebrews 12:1-2

Matthew 28:18-20

John 14:3

Romans 8:2

Romans 6:8-18

Romans 8:14-17

John 3:16, 11:25

Have a beautiful day as we celebrate our Savior's victory!!

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Day 27.

Let's share about God's wisdom today!

What are some of your favorite Scriptures on wisdom?!

Colossians 2:2-3

Ephesians 1:17

Proverbs 8:1,6-23

James 1:5-6

Psalms 25:4-5

Day 28.

Let's soak in the richness of Ephesians 4 today!

God's Power - Our Calling - Christ's Body

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Day 29.

It's a joy to share today about God's Grace, God's Strength & How God Endures!

1 Peter 1:24-25

Hebrews 13:5-6, 8

2 Corinthians 12:9-10

Psalm 73:25-36

Psalm 74:12

Day 30.

Welcome to day 30, everyone! Praise God!!

Let's enjoy 3 passages today and remember that God is for us!

Psalm 56:3-4, 8-10

1 Peter 2:13-17

Romans 8:31-39

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Day 31.

Let's reflect on God's faithfulness as we read:

Psalm 37:1-7

Psalm 23-31

Psalm 39-40

1 Peter 4:7

Day 32.

Psalm 103:1-5

Lamentations 3:22-24

1 Peter 2:24

Ephesians 2:16-18

1 Peter 1:3-5

Day 33.

John 21:1-17

Philippians 3:8

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Day 34.

Let's talk about the victory we have in Jesus and nearness of Eternity!

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 51-58

Revelation 22:3-5, 12-17

1 John 4:4, 5:4-5

Day 35.

God is our Help and source of Rest!

Psalm 124

Hebrews 4:6-16

Psalm 62:5-8

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Day 36.

Praise the Lord! Let's be encouraged as we remember how God is our Help, Salvation and the One who fights our battles!

Psalm 35:1-10

Exodus 14:13-14

Psalm 5:4-8

1 Peter 2:12

Psalm 32:7

Day 37.

God's strength

God's glory

Our response— be still & know

2 Chronicles 16:9 (This is a fascinating chapter! King Asa sadly outsourced the rescue rather than going to the Source {God} for the rescue! Let's take note of this!)

Isaiah 64:1-9

Psalm 29

Psalm 46:10

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Day 38.

Let's talk about the victory we have in Jesus and nearness of Eternity!

Glory to God! It's a new day, and we will be focusing on God's p e a c e...

Isaiah 41:10

1 Peter 3:8-12

1 Timothy 2:1-6

Psalm 69:16-18

Philippians 2:14-16

Day 39.

Let's enjoy Psalm 24 and Psalm 19:12-14 with a few other Scripture notes!

Remember God Reigns

Repentance

Readiness & Revival to encounter the King of glory

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Day 40.

Let's soak in the richness of:

Hebrews 12:1-16, 22-29

Lamentations 3:22-23

Exodus 24:15-18

Day 41.

Glory to God! He is worthy of our life, isn't He?!

Let's open up to Hebrews 5:1-10 and Acts 5:17-32, 39 and Psalm 37:39-40.

God bless you!!

Day 42.

2 Corinthians 3

Psalm 42

May we always Hope in and Hunger for God!

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Day 43.

Let's take a few minutes to enjoy Psalm 119:92-136!

Psalm 119 is a rich, lengthy chapter, so this is not an exhaustive collections of prayers to be gleaned from this passage. There is so much richness and even [9 prayers](#) (link to blog post) that we can see in these verses!

Here is an example:

verse 76:

"Let, I pray, Your merciful kindness be for my comfort,
According to Your word to Your servant." (NKJV)

prayer: This is beautiful how it is already a prayer for God's merciful kindness to be our comfort...

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Day 44.

Let's look at Psalm 72:1-2, Proverbs 16:1-13 and Ephesians 3:14-21...

These have powerful verses we can pray for our leaders as well as ourselves!

Day 45.

God is so good!

Let's go to Psalm 63 and Psalm 102:1-2!

Seek - Sing - Satisfaction in God

Day 46.

Let's enjoy Psalm 86 and Galatians 2:14-16, 20.

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Day 47.

Let's read in Isaiah 43:19 and 2 Peter 3:10-15, 17-18.

Day 48.

Let's talk about walking by faith...

Hebrews 11:1-3, 6

2 Corinthians 5:1-10

Proverbs 3:5-10

Day 49.

Let's talk about being spiritually F.I.T. in 1 Timothy 4!

F. focus and fix our on Jesus

I. intentionally nourish ourselves on God's Word

T. train for Godliness

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Day 50.

Thank you for 50 days together here in Walking by Faith! ALL glory to God!!

Today's verses speak about:

Genuine Faith - God's Glory - God's Servants (our calling)

2 Corinthians 13:3-14*

Psalm 57:6-11

2 Peter 2:16

*Verse 5 in the Amplified Bible is powerful- it makes us pause and reflect if our lives are bearing fruit of faith in Christ...

*Daily abide in Christ...
May the journey continue!*

God is Our...

Helper
Psalm 124:8

Hope
Psalm 33:22

Rock
Psalm 62:6-7

Salvation
Psalm 62:6-7

Deliverer
Psalm 18:2

Refuge
Psalm 62:8

Strength
Psalm 18:1

The journey of walking by faith in Christ...

Remember that transformation is in the making, and Jesus is our Good Shepherd. He will give you the strength you need for this journey as you look to Him. Some days will be easier than others, but know that the “joy of the Lord is your strength” (Nehemiah 8:10b NKJV)!

Keep hungering and thirsting for righteousness (Matthew 5:6), keep abiding in His Word (John 8:31), and keep putting off the flesh and clothing yourself with the new man (Ephesians 4:22-24).

Isn't it a relief that in our weakness God is strong?!

When temptations come and apathy tries to ambush our progress, we can cry out to Jesus and rely on His strength!

And He [the Lord] said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

2 Corinthians 12:9 NKJV [emphasis added]

You may also find comfort and encouragement in Philippians 1:6 and Philippians 2:13.

Press on, and continue walking by faith in Jesus, my friend!

God bless you,

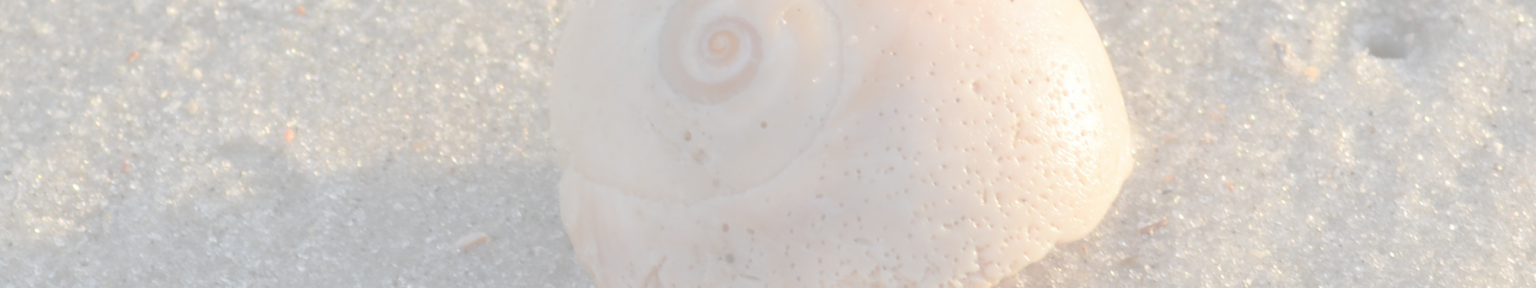
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JEWELS FOR THE JOURNEY...

11 KEYS TO BE ROOTED IN CHRIST



*How would you express the
beauty of the Gospel?*

When I start to feel unsure about sharing the Gospel, these
verses are encouraging:

1 Corinthians 2:1-5 and 1 Thessalonians 2:1-13.

Rooted in the Beauty of the Gospel

Romans 3:23

Romans 6:23

Romans 5:8

Ephesians 2:8-9

1 John 4:9-10

1 John 5:11-13

John 3:16

Romans 10:9-10, 13

Ephesians 1:13-14

2 Corinthians 5:17

John 14:1-6

Rooted in Christ

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Philippians 3:10-11

Jesus counted the cost BEFORE CREATION... 1 Peter 1:19-20

Jesus created us...Colossians 1:15-18, Hebrews 1:2-3

Jesus came... John 1:14

Jesus carried out God's plan... Philippians 2:6-8

Jesus canceled out our sin's penalty... 2 Corinthians 5:21

Jesus is coming again... John 14:3,28, 1 John 3:2-3

Jesus is calling us to Himself... Matthew 11:28-29

Rooted in the Word of God

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Abide... John 15:5

Seek... Psalm 119:18

Ask... Ephesians 1:17

Draw Near to God & Humility... James 4:8-10

Expectation & Hope... Psalm 130:5

Hunger... Matthew 5:6

Delight... Psalm 37:4

Delight, Meditate & Fruitfulness... Psalm 1:2-3

Sweetness & Light... Psalm 119:103-105

Invest... Colossians 3:16

<Prayer- see video in link above>

Example of Studying God's Word... Psalm 63

Rooted in the Word of God (continued)

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W. Word- read and ideally write God's Word

O. Objective Truth- What Truth(s) do we see in these Scriptures?

R. Relate it to our life- How can we relate these Scriptures to our life?

D. Declare- How can we declare, speak, pray, encourage etc. with God's Word?

Psalm 63

W:

O:

R:

D:

Rooted In God's Truth

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Hebrews 4:12

2 Timothy 3:16

2 Peter 1:3-4

Inspirations for Reading God's Word:

- Choose a book of the Bible
- Follow a Bible study
- Read through the whole Bible (year plan etc.)
- Study a topic in the Bible
- Ask the Holy Spirit where to read and listen to where He leads

Our walk with God is not an occasional religious practice or duty; but it is a daily relationship. Jesus talks about this in terms of “abiding.”

We have the opportunity to know and grow in God and know His Son by spending time in His Word and in prayer. The more we are in His presence, the more we will crave it...

Rooted In Prayer

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Hebrews 4:14-16

Psalms 65:1-2

The Lord's Prayer... Matthew 6:9-15

I like to use the Lord's Prayer as a model taking the basic themes of the verses and pray from the heart. (See also 1 Thessalonians 5:17.)

Our Father & Praise Our Father God

Surrender

Ask

Repent

Forgiveness

Protection

God's Glory

{In Jesus' Name}

Rooted In Prayer (continued)

Romans 8:14-17

Exodus 15:11

Psalms 18:1-3

John 10:10-11

John 14:6, 16-17

Proverbs 16:3

Proverbs 3:5-6

Philippians 4:6-7

1 John 1:7,9

2 Thessalonians 3:3

Ephesians 3:20-21

1 Timothy 2:5-6

John 15:16-17

Rooted In Prayer Part 2

Dear Heavenly Father...

Rooted In God's Promises

2 Corinthians 1:20

What promises do you see in these Scriptures?

Psalms 56:3-4, 8-11

Romans 8:31-39

2 Peter 1:2-3

Love:

Psalms 63:1-3 NKJV

Psalms 89:1-2 NIV

1 Corinthians 16:13-14 NIV

1 John 4:9-10 NIV

1 John 4:15-16,18a,19 ESV

Joy:

Psalms 16:11 NKJV

Psalms 43:4a,5 NKJV

Peace:

Psalms 46:1 NKJV

Isaiah 26:3-4 ESV

Hebrews 13:5b-6,8 NIV

Wisdom for life:

Psalms 16:11 NKJV

Psalms 25:4-5 NIV

Proverbs 3:5-6 NLT

Proverbs 16:3 NIV

Colossians 1:9b-11 NIV

Victory in Christ:

1 Corinthians 15:57-58 NIV

Courage:

Psalms 34:4-5 NIV

Psalms 55:22 ESV

1 Corinthians 16:13-14 NIV

Overwhelmed/ Fear:

Deuteronomy 31:6 NIV

Psalms 55:22 ESV

1 Peter 5:7 NLT

1 John 4:15-16,18a,19 ESV

Living Fruitfully:

Proverbs 11:25,30 NKJV

Galatians 6:9 ESV

Colossians 1:9b-11 NIV

Generosity:

Proverbs 11:25,30 NKJV

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Rooted and Fruitful Living...

Lord, help me be more rooted in You...

I invite Your Word to dwell in me richly... Colossians 3:16

I invite You to increase as I decrease... John 3:30, Galatians 2:20

I invite You to search me and cleanse me... Psalm 139:23-24, Psalm 51:10

I invite You to guide me... Psalm 25:5

I invite You to strengthen me... Ephesians 3:16



Rooted In God's Presence, Protection & Power (Keys for Daily Living)

Rooted in God's Presence:

Surrender the day and our life to God... Psalm 25:1

Seek God's face & His Presence... Psalm 27:8

Rooted in God's Protection:

Put on God's Armor... Ephesians 6:10-18

Rooted in God's Power:

Invite Jesus to live through us... Galatians 2:20

Strengthened & filled with God's fullness... Ephesians 3:16-19

Ask Holy Spirit to help us walk in step with Him... Galatians 5:16, 22-23

Eternal Perspective & Focus... Colossians 3:1-2, Colossians 4:2-6

Ask Jesus to shine through... Matthew 5:16

Commit your way to God... Proverbs 16:3

Rely on God's strength and direction... Psalm 18:32

{Bonus: Philippians 2:3-5, Colossians 3:1-17, 1 Corinthians 2:16}

Rooted In Wisdom: 7 Favorite Proverbs

Proverbs 2:1-7

Proverbs 3:5-8

Proverbs 11:24-25, 30

Proverbs 16:3

Proverbs 18:20-21, bonus verse 22

Proverbs 28:25

Proverbs 31:26,30

Rooted In Our Identity in Christ

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Colossians 2:6-7

Loved... John 3:16, 1 John 4:9-10

Forgiven... Psalm 103:12, 1 John 1:9

A new creation... 2 Corinthians 5:17

Redeemed... Galatians 3:13-14, Ephesians 1:7

God's daughter... Galatians 4:3-7, Ephesians 1:5

Called... Ephesians 4:1, 1 Peter 1:13-21

Indwelt with Holy Spirit... 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

Victorious... Romans 8:31-39, 1 Corinthians 15:57-58

Alive... Ephesians 2:1, Philippians 1:21


Gifted for service... Romans 12:5-8, 1 Corinthians 12:6-7

In the Light... Colossians 1:12-14

At peace with God... Romans 5:1

Dead to sin... Romans 6:1-18, Galatians 2:20

Hopeful... Hebrews 6:19-20, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18



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2 Corinthians 5:7 NKJV