

Daily Devotional

2017

God desires for you to meet with him each day. At Hope, we believe that every Christian should have a growing fellowship with God each day.

There are several components, which create the foundation of Spiritual Growth: Scripture, Spirit, Sayings, Supplication, Self-Examination, Surrender, Sacrifice, and Service. Each day, you will set aside time which will enable you to focus on God. You will be blessed by how quickly this time passes and how your intimacy with God increases.

Components

Scripture: Reading from the Bible in order to feed your human spirit. This is considered devotional reading. You can find our One Year Bible reading: oyb.hopecathedral.com

Spirit: Spending time in fellowship with the Holy Spirit and praying in the Spirit. (If you are not filled with the Holy Spirit, use this time to seek more about Him. Ask God to show you more about this dimension of your Spiritual walk.)

Sayings: Bible-based declarations that speak to God's promises for your life.

Supplication: Prayer time that includes adoration (praise), confession of sins, thanksgiving.

Self- Examination: Meditating on the Word of God to drive out all doubt.

Surrender: Listening for God's priorities for the day and putting them first.

Sacrifice: Making time to obey what God has told you to do.

Service: Performing acts of kindness and sharing your story (winning souls).

Daily Schedule

☉ As you rise each day, you should develop the discipline to pray, declare God's promises, pray for others, pray in the Spirit (or seek the Spirit) and listen to the voice of God.

☉ Seven times each day, choose a Name of God and worship Him. Psalm 119:164 (MSG): *"Seven times each day I stop and shout praises for the way you keep everything running right."* For example, you can pause for a couple seconds at 7am, 9am, 11am, 1pm, 3pm, 5pm and 7pm to worship God.

☉ Before you retire for the evening, you will pray a prayer of thanksgiving, repeat your declarations, meditate on a Scripture, pray in the Spirit (or seek the Spirit) and then Listen to the voice of God.

☉ Every day, at least once a day: ask God to show you someone to whom you can show an act of kindness and share Christ's love with him or her. Also, if you sense God leading you to do something, make time to obey Him that day.

☉ Listen to at least 30 minutes of teaching daily. You should focus on those areas where you need to grow and expand. This is key to building your faith.

☉ Participate in our 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting — January 8 - 28 and establish a weekly day of fasting to keep you spiritually aligned.

20 Freedom Truths

1. I am a new creation in Christ Jesus predestined for greatness. (2 Corinthians 5:17)
2. I am a child of God fully accepted by the Father. (John 1:12)
3. I am loved by God no matter how I perform. (Romans 5:8)

4. I am forgiven and will not be tormented by my past errors. (1 John 1:9)
5. I am an overcomer and my faith is changing my circumstances. (1 John 5:4)
6. I am a giver and people are looking to bless me and give into my life today. (Luke 6:38; 2 Corinthians 9:5)
7. I have authority over the devil and no demon power can hurt me. (Luke 10:17)
8. Abundance is God's will for me and I will not settle for less. (John 10:10)
9. I am healthy, healed and whole and sickness cannot Lord it over my body. (1 Pet 2:24)
10. God is on my side and I choose not to fear. (Psalm 118:6)
11. The Holy Spirit is my helper; I'm never alone and I have the peace of God. (Philippians 4:7)
12. I am blessed and it's a matter of time before things change. What I see is temporary. (Eph 1:3; 2 Corinthians 4:18)
13. I have the wisdom of God; I hear the Father's voice. (1 Corinthians 1:30)
14. I am set in the body of Christ and I know that I am valuable and important to the work of God. (1 Corinthians 12:20-25)
15. I walk in love and I am being delivered out of all afflictions and persecutions. (Matt 5:10-12)
16. I live in the protection of God. I am far from oppression, terror and fear. (Isaiah 54:14-15)
17. I have what I say (Mk 11:23)
18. Nothing is impossible to me or for me. (Matt 19:26)
19. The love of God is in me and I never fail (1 Corinthians 13:8)
20. I am the chosen and accepted of the Lord (Eph 1:4,6)

Definitions

Acts of Kindness – Each day you should find someone and perform some act of kindness for them. And, you should let them know that you have done this to demonstrate how much God loves them by giving them a Kindness Card.

Fasting – Intentional denial of one's self or flesh through abstaining from food (or other pleasures) in order to draw closer to God.

Listen to the Voice of God – After a time of prayer or meditation, one remains silent listening for God to speak or give an impression.

Meditation – The process of memorizing, reflecting on, and speaking forth Scripture so that we drive out all doubt.

The Names of God

- **Adonai** - My Master (Genesis 15:2)
- **EI Shaddai** - The All Sufficient One (Genesis 17:1)
- **Elohim** - The Creator (Genesis 1:1)
- **EI Elyon** - The God Most High (Genesis 14:18)
- **Jehovah Jireh** - The Lord who Provides (Genesis 22:14)
- **Jehovah Mekaddish** (M-qa-dash) - The Lord who Sanctifies (Exodus 31:13)
- **Jehovah Nissi** - The Lord is My Banner (Exodus 17:15)
- **Jehovah Rohi** - The Lord is my Shepherd (Psalm 23)
- **Jehovah Rapha** - The Lord Who Heals (Exodus 15:26)
- **Jehovah Sabaoth** (se-ba'-ot) - The Lord of Hosts (1 Samuel 1:3)
- **Jehovah Shalom** - The Lord is Peace (Judge 6:24)
- **Jehovah Shammah** - The Lord is Present (Ezekiel 48:35)
- **Jehovah Tsidkenu** (tsis-kay'-noo)— The Lord my Righteousness (Jeremiah 23:6)

Daily Prayer

Father, I boldly declare that this is the year that I will accomplish Your priorities in my life, my family, and my church through radical faith. I set my heart to trust You in every situation and circumstance because You are faithful and You remain the same yesterday, today and forever. Your Kingdom has no end; therefore, I will depend upon Your Word and yield to the leading of Your Spirit today. I resist every temptation to doubt and I cancel its assignment from my life. You said, "All things are possible to those who believe", and so I declare, I believe You, Lord!

I believe that You have a purpose for my life and so, I receive the future and hope that You have designated for me. And, I set big goals and dreams before You as I share the Good News of Your Kingdom. You promised that if I seek You and Your Kingdom first, that all things would be added to me; so no longer do I lean on my own understanding but I acknowledge You and rest in Your power, Your authority and in Your love towards me. I trust You to direct my path and lead me to an expected end.

You are the God that opens Your hand to satisfy every living thing; therefore, I believe that You will not only satisfy me in a famine, but as I praise You, the earth will yield of her increase to me! I've been redeemed from every curse of the law! Therefore, I declare that I owe no man anything except to love him, and that I am freed from every creditor, like a gazelle. Thank You Father for all sufficiency in all things so that I may daily abound to every good work. I act decisively on Your Word by faith and release supernatural increase and favor towards me, in Jesus' Name. I live in the commanded blessing. I'm sensitive to the leading and I will not be a borrower, and I walk with the compassion of Christ towards those around me.

My heart overflows with love because the Kingdom of God has come near me. I am transformed in my thinking. Therefore, I welcome the Spirit of wisdom and understanding into my life, and I declare signs and wonders follow me because I believe. I call my God-given gifts stirred and my God-given creative potential maximized. I lay aside every sin and weight in my life, and I set my expectation for the supernatural power of God to manifest through me so that I effectively share Christ with others, demonstrate acts of kindness and live above the world's system.

I affirm my Blood covenant and thank You Lord for making me victorious in every situation and in every area of life. I acknowledge the authority that You have

given me and I exercise it over every satanic interference in my life. I call every plot, opposition and attack against me—whether spiritual, relational, financial or emotional—cancelled through the Blood of Jesus. No weapon formed against me, my family or my church will succeed. I call forward a seven fold return for everything that was lost or stolen in my life and from my family. Father, You said that the Kingdom of God suffers violence and that the violent take it by force; therefore, I walk in radical faith without apology and receive every spiritual and natural blessing made possible through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, in Jesus' name! Hallelujah!!

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