

• THE PURPOSE of the Daily Devotions is God's presence on our pilgrimage.

Exodus 33. As Israel made their pilgrimage through the desert to the promised land, God was present with them. He led them and took care of them. (For us, this is a picture of our pilgrimage through this life to heaven.) The purpose of our daily devotional life is to be like Moses, to spend time with God, become the friend of God and have Him go with us through each day.

• 33:7-11 Moses set up a _____ of _____ far outside (a quiet place) the camp. Everyone who wanted to _____ with the Lord would go there. Whenever Moses went to the Tent of Meeting, all the people would stand in their tent _____. When Moses went into the tent, the pillar of _____ (the visible presence of the Lord out of which He spoke) would come _____ and _____ at the entrance while the Lord _____ with _____. Then all the people would stand and _____ low at their tent entrances. Inside the Tent of Meeting the Lord would speak to Moses _____ to _____, as a man speaks to his _____.
33:14 The Lord said, "I will _____ go with you, Moses. I will give you _____ -- everything will be _____ for you. Then Moses said, "If you don't _____ with us personally, don't let us _____ a step from this place...33:17 And the Lord replied to Moses, "I will indeed _____ what you have asked, for you have found _____ with me, and you are my _____."

Three Purposes for Daily Devotions

- 1- WORSHIP: Awareness that the earth is filled with the glory of God.
- 2- WORD: Confess back to God the promises of his word.
- 3- WAY: Receive daily guidance from the Lord for living of the day.

WORSHIP. The Living God is real, powerful, present in my world and present with me. I have someone to worship. There is a Creator who is good. His Son Jesus sustains the universe with his word of power. I am not alone. I am loved, one-on-one, by my Creator. Life in this fallen world is not hopeless. It has been saved by the coming of God's son. The curse is lifted. There is an Almighty One who hears and answers my prayers.

• Matthew 28:20 "And be sure of this: I am _____ you always, even to the _____ of the age."

• Hebrews 13:5 "For God has said, 'I will never _____ you. I will never _____ you.'"

• Psalm 62:5-7 "I _____ quietly before God, for my _____ is in him. He alone is my rock and my salvation, and my honor comes from God alone. He is my refuge, a rock where no enemy can reach me."

• Psalm 103:2-5 "_____ the Lord, I tell myself, and never forget the good things He has done for me. He _____ all my sins, and _____ all my diseases. He ransoms my soul from _____, and surrounds me with _____ and tender mercies. He _____ my life with good things. My _____ is renewed like the eagle's."

WORD. Our Heavenly Father has given us rich and wonderful promises in His Word. God never lies. Every word of his proves true in our lives. As we speak (confess) the promises of God's Word back to Him day-by-day, they begin to happen in our life. The whole Scripture becomes a context for the promises. It illustrates them. It causes Jesus and his works to be real to us. Our faith is increased. A faith connection with God is created.

We want Him to change things, to do things. To change hearts, to heal, to prosper, to change circumstances, to defeat evil, to make a way for us through this life.

• Romans 8:17 "Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God."

"I HAVE TOLD MY PEOPLE THEY **CAN HAVE** WHAT THEY SAY,
BUT THEY ARE SAYING WHAT THEY HAVE." Charles Capps

• 2 Peter 1:3-4 "As we know Jesus _____, his divine power gives us everything we need for living a godly life. He has called us to receive his _____ glory and goodness! And by that same mighty power, he has given us all of his rich and wonderful _____."

• Psalm 1:1-3 "Oh, the joys of those who ...delight in doing everything the Lord wants; day and night they think about His word. They are like _____ planted along the riverbank, bearing _____ each season without fail. Their leaves never wither, and in _____, they prosper."

• Isaiah 55:10-12 "The rain and snow come down from the heavens and stay on the ground to water the earth. They cause the grain to grow, producing seed for the farmer and bread for

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the hungry. It is the same with my WORD. I send it out, and it _____ produces fruit. It will _____ all I want it to and it will prosper everywhere I send it.”

• Mark 11:22-25 "Then Jesus said to the disciples, 'Have _____ in God. I assure you that you can say to this _____, 'May God lift you up and throw you into the sea,' and your command will be obeyed. All that's required is that you really believe and do not doubt in your heart. Listen to me! You can pray for _____ and if you believe, you will have it."

• John 16:23-24 "The truth is, you can go directly to the Father and ask him, and he will grant your request because you use my _____. You haven't done this before. _____, using my name, and you will _____, and you will have abundant ____."

• Romans 10:9,13 "For if you _____ with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For _____ who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved (from everything evil and for everything good)."

WAY. Our good Father has plans for our life and guidance and answers for daily living.

*• Psalm 138:8 "The Lord will work out his _____ for my life.
For your faithful love, O Lord, endures forever."*

• Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord, 'They are plans for _____ and not for disaster, to you a _____ and a _____.'

• Proverbs 3:6 "Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own _____. Seek his will in all you do, and he will _____ your paths."

• James 1:5 "If you need _____ - if you want to know what God wants you to do - _____ him, and he will gladly tell you."

• John 16:13 "When the Holy Spirit comes upon you, He will guide you into all _____."

What does this Scripture say to you? _____

SAVE The word in the original language of the New Testament (Sotaria) is used to refer to being saved from about everything. Saved from death. Saved from bad weather. Saved from demons. Saved from poverty. Given a sound mind. Saved and delivered from one's enemies. Saved from sickness. Saved from fears and despair. Saved from dangers.

Goal of teaching on devotions

- 1- Grace at meals - Jesus and feeding 5000
- 2- Daily personal devotional time – Bible Reading - Prayer List - Meditation
- 3- Daily family devotional time -- husband and wife -- with children

Confess victory in the face of apparent defeat .

2 Chronicles 20:15..17 " Listen...this is what the Lord says, " Do not be afraid! Don't be discouraged by this mighty army. for the battle is not yours, but God's...You will not even need to fight. Take your positions; then stand still and watch the Lord's victory....for the Lord is with you."

Confess abundance in the face of apparent lack

• Philippians 4:19 " And this same God who takes care of me will supply all your needs from his glorious riches, which have been given to us in Christ Jesus."

• Romans 8:15-17" So you should not be like cowering fearful slaves. You should behave instead like God's very own children, adopted into his family—calling him 'Father, dear Father." For his Holy Spirit speaks to us deep in our hearts and tells us that we are God's children. And since we are his children, we will share his treasures—for everything God gives to his Son, Christ, is ours, too..."

Psalm 35:27 "Let them continually say, " Great is the Lord who enjoys helping his servant."

Confess healing in the time sickness and pain.

Matthew 8:14-17 "...He healed all the sick. This fulfilled the word of the Lord through Isaiah, who said, " He took our sicknesses and removed our diseases."

Mark 5:21-43 " And there was a woman who had a hemorrhage for twelve years... She came up behind Jesus through the crowd and touched the fringe of his robe. She thought to herself, "If I can just touch His clothing I will be healed.' Immediately the bleeding stopped and she could feel that she had been healed."

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Psalm 103:3
Proverbs 4:20-22
Romans 4:19-21
Romans 8:11
Galatians 3:13-14

Advice about devotion
--different things for different people -
--different quiet times

ASK GUIDE FRIEND

Ask
Prayer list
Pray for each other
John not received - not asked

Numbers 23:19 not lie

Provide : Word for Today
Family devotions books --

Other ideas

Psalm 27
The whole earth is filled with His glory
Immerse self in God-so have faith
Psalm 37:4 desires of heart

Have a prospering soul that can receive from God
2 John 3