

Daily Reflections

For Our Time of Dispersion

Week No. 5

Evangelical Baptist Church

TIPS FOR USING THE DAILY REFLECTIONS

1. Find a quiet space—if you can.
2. Give space to each activity—don't rush.
3. The prayers are kindling for the fire—speak to him yourself.
4. Psalms: What's one word or phrase that stands out to me?
5. Gospels: What about Jesus stands out to me?
6. Epistle: What principles and practices stand out to me?

MONDAY

Morning Reflection

If the outer level of our spiritual life with God is impaired to the slightest degree, we must put everything else aside until we make it right. Remember that spiritual vision depends on our character— it is “the pure in heart” who “see God.”

—Oswald Chambers

PSALM

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PRAYER

Lord, King of Glory, enter my life today.

Empower me with a pure heart
that I may have an unhindered vision of your glory.

Amen.

Midday Reflection

GOSPEL

Matthew 6:22-23

Evening Reflection

EPISTLE

1 Timothy 1:3-11

PRAYER

Lord, protected me from straying to the left
or straying to the right.

Guide me along straight and narrow way.

Amen.

TUESDAY

Morning Reflection

A saint is not to take the initiative toward self-realization, but toward knowing Jesus Christ. A spiritually vigorous saint never believes that his circumstances simply happen at random, nor does he ever think of his life as being divided into the secular and the sacred. He sees every situation in which he finds himself as the means of obtaining a greater knowledge of Jesus Christ.”

—Oswald Chambers

PSALM

100

PRAYER

Lord, may I grow in my knowledge of you today,
And in doing so my I grow into appropriate knowledge
and perspective of myself.

Amen

Midday Reflection

GOSPEL

Matthew 20:20-28

Evening Reflection

EPISTLE

Philippians 3:7-11

PRAYER

Lord, I know that the paths that leads to great vistas are often long and treacherous.
Give me the fortitude and resolve to walk those paths, seeking you
with all of my heart, with all of my mind, with all of my strength.

Amen.

WEDNESDAY

Morning Reflection

Wherever God sends us, He will guard our lives. Our personal property and possessions are to be a matter of indifference to us, and our hold on these things should be very loose. If this is not the case, we will have panic, heartache, and distress.

—Oswald Chambers

PSALM

20

PRAYER

Lord, may I hold nothing more dear
than your glory.
Amen.

Midday Reflection

GOSPEL

Matthew 14:22-36

Evening Reflection

EPISTLE

James 4:13-17

PRAYER

Lord, one more day of my life has evaporated away, another is yet to come.
As I rise tomorrow may I do this or that as you will.
Amen.

THURSDAY

Morning Reflection

“If we are going to live as disciples of Jesus, we have to remember that all noble things are difficult. The Christian life is gloriously difficult, but its difficulty does not make us faint and cave in— it stirs us up to overcome. Do we appreciate the miraculous salvation of Jesus Christ enough to be our utmost for His highest.”

—Oswald Chambers

PSALM

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PRAYER

Lord, as I live and breathe,
may I bless you this day.

Amen

Midday Reflection

GOSPEL

Matthew 7:13-14

Evening Reflection

EPISTLE

Romans 12:1-2

PRAYER

Lord, may my life be a song to you,
major notes sung with deep joy,
minor notes with deep sorrow,
all mingled in faith, hope, and love.

Amen.

FRIDAY

Morning Reflection

“If you have heard Jesus Christ’s voice on the waves of the sea, you can let your convictions and your consistency take care of themselves by concentrating on maintaining your intimate relationship to Him.”

—Oswald Chambers

PSALM

57:1-3

PRAYER

Lord, all my days are in your faithful hands.
I cry to you this morning, fulfill your purposes for me.
Amen.

Midday Reflection

GOSPEL

Mark 4:35-41

Evening Reflection

EPISTLE

Hebrews 6:13-20

PRAYER

Lord Jesus, you are my anchor of hope.
Keep me safe and secure in the eye of the storm.
Amen.