



5 DAY DEVOTIONAL

Sermon: When I Consider...

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Day 1: When You Stop and Look Up

Devotional: There is something powerful about pausing. David did not just glance at the night sky and move on. He considered it. He let the weight of what he saw settle into his soul. The moon, the stars, the vast expanse above him were not random. They were crafted with care by a God who is intentional about everything He makes. And here is what makes that so personal. The same God who placed every star in its position also chose to think about you. Not because you earned it. Not because you had it all together. But because He is that kind of God. His greatness does not make Him distant. It makes His attention toward you even more remarkable. When life feels ordinary or overwhelming, it helps to stop and look up. Not just at the sky, but at the character of the God who made it. He is not indifferent to your life. He is mindful of you. That truth alone is worth sitting with today.

Bible Verse: 'When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained. What is man that thou art mindful of him, and the Son of Man that thou visitest him.' - Psalm 8:3-4

Reflection Question: When was the last time you paused long enough to let the greatness of God change the way you see your own life?

Quote: "When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained. What is man that thou art mindful of him, and the Son of Man that thou visitest him."

Prayer: Lord, help me slow down and truly consider who You are. Thank You for being a God whose greatness never makes You distant from me.

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Day 2: A Plan Before the Problem

Devotional: Most of us make plans after something goes wrong. We react, adjust, and try to recover. But God does not operate that way. Before the first sin was ever committed, before the first tear was ever shed, God already had a plan to bring humanity back to Himself. Redemption was not a backup plan. It was the plan. God looked ahead, knew what would happen, and chose to move toward us anyway. That is not the posture of someone who is disappointed and scrambling. That is the posture of a Father who loves deeply and acts with purpose. This should change the way you see your own story. Whatever you have walked through, whatever choices brought you to where you are, you were never outside the reach of a God who planned for this moment. His love for you was not contingent on your performance. It was settled long before you arrived.

Bible Verse: 'Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us, and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.' - 1 John 4:10

Reflection Question: How does knowing that God's plan for your redemption existed before your worst mistake change the way you see His love for you?

Quote: "Redemption was God's idea. Hallelujah. The Bible says in first John, chapter four and verse number ten, herein is love. Not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His son to be the propitiation or the atonement of our sin."

Prayer: Father, thank You for loving me before I ever turned to You. Help me rest in the truth that Your plan for my life was never an afterthought.

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Day 3: More Than Covered

Devotional: For generations, the people of God brought animals to the altar. It was an act of faith and obedience, but it had a ceiling. The blood of those animals could cover sin, but it could not remove it. The weight was still there, just hidden beneath a temporary solution. Then Jesus came. He did not come to patch over the problem. He came to deal with it completely. His blood does not simply cover what you have done. It cleanses it. It reaches into the deepest parts of your conscience and removes what no sacrifice before Him ever could. And He did it willingly. No one forced His hand. He laid His life down because He chose to. That kind of love is not obligated or reluctant. It is freely given, and it is powerful enough to make you genuinely clean. Not just forgiven on paper, but truly, deeply clean.

Bible Verse: 'But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building; Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.' - Hebrews 9:11-12

Reflection Question: Are you living as someone who has been truly cleansed, or are you still carrying guilt that the blood of Jesus has already removed?

Quote: "All that the blood of an animal could do was cover. But Jesus does more than cover. Jesus cleanses our sins away."

Prayer: Jesus, thank You for doing what nothing else could do. Help me walk today in the freedom of a conscience that has been truly cleansed by Your blood.

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Day 4: Nobody Is Too Far Gone

Devotional: It is easy to look at someone's life and quietly decide they are beyond reach. Too much history. Too many years wasted. Too far down a road that seems to have no way back. We do that with others, and if we are honest, sometimes we do it with ourselves. But God does not see it that way. He is not in the business of writing people off based on their past, their failures, or how long they have been running. He looks past all of that and sees a soul worth pursuing. His invitation is not reserved for the people who have their lives together. It is open to everyone. A seed planted by a praying mother can lie dormant for sixty years and still break through. That is not a coincidence. That is the persistence of a God who never stops reaching. No matter how far someone has gone, He can go further. And He will.

Bible Verse: 'For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.' - Romans 10:13

Reflection Question: Is there someone in your life you have quietly given up on? What would it look like to pray for them with the same persistence God shows toward us?

Quote: "God's redemptive plan is not a culling business. God is not in the business of culling people by their skin, calling people by their nationality, colored people, or calling people by their past or their present or any of that. God doesn't look at the color of a man's skin, the intellect of a man's mind. He looks at a man and sees his soul. And God says, whosoever will, I will save."

Prayer: Lord, give me Your eyes for the people around me. Help me never give up on anyone that You have not given up on.

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Day 5: You Don't Have to Stay Who You Were

Devotional: There is a moment that changes everything. For one man, it came in a hospital bed with barely enough strength to speak. He had spent a lifetime running, but in his final hours, he called out to Jesus. And Jesus showed up. Tears ran down his face, and through everything, he said four words that carried the weight of a lifetime: I am clean. That is what redemption does. It does not just adjust your record. It transforms who you are. The grace of God reaches into the deepest places, the ones you thought were too broken or too far gone, and it brings something new. You do not have to be defined by what you once were. The same Jesus who met that man in His final hours is the same Jesus available to you right now. Whatever you are carrying today, whatever you are afraid cannot be forgiven or changed, bring it to Him. He has never turned anyone away who came to Him with an honest heart.

Bible Verse: 'For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.' - Hebrews 4:15-16

Reflection Question: What is one area of your life where you have struggled to believe that God's grace is truly enough to bring real change?

Quote: "The majesty of it is you don't have to be what you once were. Oh, the grace of God can change redeem and deliver and give us hope."

Prayer: Jesus, I bring You the parts of my life I have been afraid to surrender. Thank You that Your grace is greater than anything I am carrying today.

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