

Five—Day Devotional #39: The Power of Yet! November 17-21, 2025

From the Pastor's Desk Devotional Inspiration The Power of Yet!

Introduction: The word of God is alive and actively speaking. The word "yet" has powerful implications viewed within the context of God's overall message to us.

Text: "Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not **yet** been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is."—I John 3:2 NKJV.

(1 Jn. 3:2 NKJ, boldness added)

The word "yet" introduces a divine tension between the present and the future. It acknowledges that something has begun but is not complete.

- **Grammatically**, "yet" expresses *time in process* an unfinished state.
- Theologically, it captures the "already—not yet" reality of God's kingdom:
- Already: We are God's children now.
- *Not yet*: What we **shall be** has not been fully revealed.

This tension motivates faith, endurance, and transformation.

Scripture Focus: "Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is."—1 John 3:2

Blessings, Pastor Fryar

Note to reader: This five-day devotional is designed to encourage and reaffirm that when you pray, you are deepening your walk with God. This is highlighted through use of scripture references from the New King James Version unless otherwise indicated.



Day 1 – The Present Reality: "Now are we the sons of God."

Scripture: I John 3:2a "Beloved, now are we the sons of God..."

Thought: God has already declared who we are. Though our transformation is ongoing, our identity is settled.

Reflection: John begins with assurance — "now are we." God, the **initiator**, has already acted in love to bring us into His family. Being called sons and daughters of God is not a future hope but a present truth. The power of *yet* doesn't deny what is, but builds on it. We live from the identity we already possess, not toward one we hope to earn.

Application: Rest in who you already are. Don't wait to "feel" worthy — you already belong to God. The process of transformation begins with belief in what He has already made you.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, thank You for making me Your child. Help me live confidently in the truth of who I already am in You.



Day 2 – The unfinished process: "...it has not yet been revealed what we shall be..."

Scripture: I John 3:2b "...it has not yet been revealed what we shall be..."

Thought: God's work in us is unfinished, but active. The word "yet" signals hope, not lack.

Reflection: This phrase acknowledges that we are still *becoming*. The image of Christ is forming within us through the Spirit's patient work. What we shall be is hidden, like a seed beneath the soil — unseen but full of promise. "Yet" speaks of divine process — a reminder that God's timing and shaping are intentional.

Application: Don't lose heart when you cannot see visible progress. God's unseen work is still progress. The "yet" is where faith grows.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, help me trust Your process. Even when I cannot see what You're making me to be, I believe Your hands are shaping me.



Day 3 – The partnership: initiator and responder

Scripture: I John 3:2b "But we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him..."

Thought: God starts the process, but our response determines the depth of transformation.

Reflection: God is always the first mover — His grace initiates. But He invites our partnership. Our obedience, humility, and daily surrender shape how fully His purposes are realized in us. The "yet" becomes fruitful when we actively respond to God's work in faith. Our *response* doesn't earn transformation; it aligns us with it. When we yield, we allow His power to perfect what He began.

Application: Each day is an opportunity to respond to God's invitation — to pray, to forgive, to grow. Your response releases your potential.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, thank You for starting the work in me. Teach me to respond quickly and faithfully so Your purpose can be fulfilled in my life.



Day 4 – The promise of full revelation: "We shall be like Him."

Scripture: I John 3:2c "we shall be like Him."

Thought: God's ultimate goal is Christlikeness.

Reflection: The power of "yet" looks forward to a guaranteed outcome. One day, the process will be complete — we shall be *like Him*. This is not wishful thinking but divine certainty. When Christ appears, every hidden intention of God's shaping will be revealed in us. Until then, the Spirit continues transforming us "from glory to glory" (2 Cor. 3:18).

Application: Live with the end in view. Every moment of spiritual growth is a step toward that glorious likeness. Let hope purify your heart as you anticipate seeing Him face to face.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, thank You for the hope of becoming like You. Keep me steadfast until the day Your image is fully revealed in me.



Day 5 – The power of yet: hope in progress

Scripture: I John 3:2d "We shall see Him as He is."

Thought: We shall eventually see fully the One we are being fashion.

Reflection: The believer's life is both *completed* and *unfinished*. We are children of God now — but the fullness of that identity has not *yet* appeared. The "yet" keeps us humble, hopeful, and dependent on grace. It reminds us that God isn't finished with us, and our best days in Christ are still ahead.

The power of *yet* transforms impatience into expectation and process into purpose.

Application: Celebrate progress, not perfection. Speak life over your journey: "I'm not there yet, but God is working!" Encourage others to do the same — to trust their "yet" seasons.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, thank You for the power of yet. Help me live with joyful expectation, confident that You will complete the work You began in me."

Summary Reflection: The "Power of Yet" teaches us that spiritual growth is a divine partnership. God, the Initiator, calls us His own; we, the responders, cooperate with His transforming grace. The unfinished state of who we are is not failure — it's *faith in progress*. The best is *yet* to come!