



Five-Day Devotional 22
Devotional series: Don't let the challenge speak alone.
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From Outcome Trust to Character Trust

From the Pastor's Desk
Devotional Inspiration
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Introduction: Devotional 22 is the fourth devotional in the series: “Don’t let the challenge speak alone” with emphasis on moving “From outcome trust to character trust.” One of the most subtle challenges in faith is not whether we believe God can provide, but whether we trust Him when He doesn’t meet our expectations in the way or timing we anticipated. The wilderness revealed that Israel often trusted God for outcomes but struggled to trust His character when circumstances became unclear. This devotional shifts the focus from what God does to who He is. As you move through these days, you will discover a deeper, more stable form of faith—one that is not dependent on visible results but rooted in the unchanging nature of God Himself.

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 16 — When outcomes don't match expectations.

Scripture: Isaiah 55:8–9: "For *as* the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts."—Isa.55:9.

Sometimes the tension isn't that God hasn't provided—it's that He hasn't provided the way we expected.

Israel struggled not just with lack, but with unmet expectations.

Reflection: Where has your expectation of *how* God should act affected your trust in *who* He is?

Prayer: Heavenly Father, help me release my expectations and trust Your wisdom beyond what I can see.



Day 17 — Trusting God’s character over circumstances.

Scripture: Habakkuk 3:17–18: “Though the fig tree may not blossom, Nor fruit be on the vines; Though the labor of the olive may fail, And the fields yield no food; Though the flock may be cut off from the fold, And there be no herd in the stalls-- Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation.”

- *Emphasis:* Trust that transcends visible outcomes.

Faith matures when it shifts from:

- “God will do this for me”
to
- “God is faithful no matter what I see.”

Reflection: Is your confidence rooted in outcomes—or in God’s character?

Prayer: Heavenly Father, help me anchor my trust in who You are, not just what You do.”



Day 18 — The wilderness was training, not punishment.

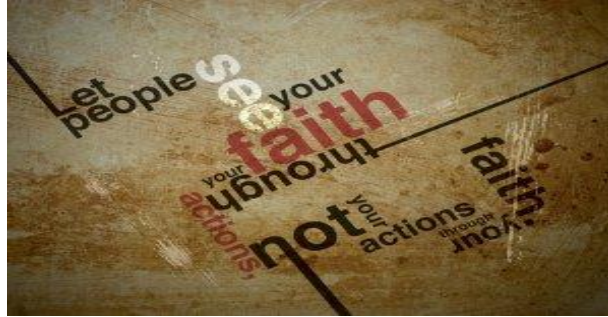
Scripture: Deuteronomy 8:3: “...He might make you know that man shall not live by bread alone; but man lives by every *word* that proceeds from the mouth of the LORD.”

The wilderness wasn’t just about survival—it was about formation.

God was developing dependence, not just providing relief.

Reflection: What might God be forming in you through your current challenge?

Prayer: Heavenly Father, use this season to shape me, not just sustain me.



Day 19 — Faith without immediate evidence.

Scripture: Hebrews 11:1: “Faith is the confidence that what we hope for will actually happen; it gives us assurance about things we cannot see.”—Heb. 11:1 NLT.

Real faith operates when evidence is incomplete.

Israel often struggled because they wanted proof before trust.

Reflection: Where are you waiting for evidence instead of exercising faith?

Prayer: Heavenly Father, teach me to trust You even when I don't yet see the outcome.



Day 20 — Settled confidence.

Scripture: 2 Timothy 1:12: For this reason I also suffer these things; nevertheless I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day.”

There is a level of trust that becomes settled, - not shaken by changing conditions.

Reflection: What would it look like to be internally settled, even in uncertainty?

Prayer: Heavenly Father, establish in me a confidence that is not easily moved.

Devotional 22 Closing — From Outcome-Trust to Character-Trust

You've been invited into a deeper level of faith—one that is not dependent on visible outcomes. When trust is rooted only in what God does, it will fluctuate. But when it is anchored in who He is, it becomes steady and resilient. As you continue forward, hold tightly to this truth: God's character does not change, even when circumstances do. Let that become the foundation of your confidence, giving you stability in every season.