

# 5 Day Devotional Guide

*Growing Faith*

## ***Day 1: Growing in Grace***

Scripture: 2 Peter 1:1-11

Devotional: Peter's introduction reminds us that our faith is precious and equal in value to that of the apostles. Today, reflect on how God's grace has been working in your life. Have you been growing in your faith, or has it become stagnant? Remember, saving faith is a growing faith. Ask God to reveal areas where you can grow in grace and knowledge of Him. Consider how you might be overestimating what you can do in the short term, but underestimating what God can do through a lifetime of faithfulness. Pray for patience and perseverance in your spiritual journey.

## ***Day 2: Servanthood and Love***

Scripture: John 13:1-17

Devotional: Peter describes himself as a bondservant of Christ. This servanthood isn't born out of obligation, but love. As you read about Jesus washing His disciples' feet, consider your own attitude towards serving God and others. Are you serving out of duty, or out of love? Reflect on how Jesus' example of humble service can transform your approach to faith and relationships. Ask God to fill you with His love, so that your service becomes a joyful expression of gratitude rather than a burdensome obligation.

## ***Day 3: Called and Empowered***

Scripture: Acts 1:1-8, Matthew 28:18-20, Acts 4:13-14, James 5:16-18

Devotional: We are all called to be witnesses for Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit. Today, meditate on your own calling. Have you fully embraced your role as an ambassador for Christ? Remember, you have received the same Spirit that empowered the apostles. Pray for boldness and opportunities to share your faith. Consider practical ways you can be a witness in your daily life – at work, in your neighborhood, or with your family. Ask God to help you see yourself as He sees you: chosen, set apart, and empowered for His purposes.

## ***Day 4: New Creation in Christ***

Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:11-21

Devotional: In Christ, we are new creations. The old has gone, the new has come. Reflect on how your life has changed since coming to faith. Are there areas where you're still living according to your old nature? Ask God to reveal any patterns of thinking or behavior that need to be transformed. Embrace your identity as the righteousness of God in Christ. Pray for a renewed mind and heart, fully aligned with God's will. Consider how you can participate in the ministry of reconciliation, bringing others to the knowledge of Christ's love.

## ***Day 5: Pursuing Knowledge of God***

Reading: Philippians 3:7-14

Devotional: Peter encourages us to grow in our knowledge of God, promising that grace and peace will be multiplied to us as we do. Paul echoes this sentiment, counting everything as loss compared to the surpassing worth of knowing Christ. Today, examine your pursuit of God. Has your faith become precious to you? Are you actively seeking to know God more deeply? Reflect on what it means to press on toward the goal of knowing Christ more fully. Make a commitment to prioritize your relationship with God, setting aside time for prayer, study, and worship. Ask God to increase your hunger for His presence and truth. Remember, this journey of faith is not about perfection, but progression. Each day offers a new opportunity to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. May God multiply His grace and peace to you as you seek Him with all your heart.