

5 Day Devotional Guide

Keep Going

Day 1: Knowing Jesus Is Not the End of the Journey (Acts 10:36-48, Romans 6:5-11, John 3:3)

Devotional: Peter proclaimed the full gospel: Jesus died, rose again, and is Lord of all. While he was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard. They were baptized, and then they asked Peter to stay a few days. Church family, knowing about Jesus is not the same as knowing Jesus, and knowing Jesus is not the end of the journey. Salvation is birth, not graduation. We repent, believe, receive the Spirit, are baptized, and then keep growing. Do not stop at the starting line. Hunger for more of Christ. Seek discipleship. Keep going. The same power that raised Jesus is at work in you.

Day 2: God Reveals His Power in Pagan Territory (1 Samuel 5:1-5, Psalm 96:4-5, Isaiah 45:5-6)

Devotional: The Philistines took the ark of God and placed it in the temple of Dagon. The next morning Dagon had fallen facedown before the ark. The following day Dagon's head and hands were broken off. There is no other god but God. Children of God, the Lord is never shy about revealing His power in dark places. When we step into uncomfortable or unexpected territory with reliance on Him, He shows Himself mighty. Do not stay only where it feels safe. God moves in pagan territory. Honor His power wherever He chooses to display it. Keep going into the places He is sending you.

Day 3: The Weight of God's Presence (1 Samuel 5:6-8, Acts 10:44-46, Hebrews 12:28-29)

Devotional: The hand of the Lord was heavy on the people of Ashdod. He afflicted them with tumors, and they cried out in fear. God's presence cannot be controlled or contained by human systems. People whom God loves, when the Holy Spirit falls, everything changes. Cornelius and his household received the Spirit while Peter was still speaking. God's power does not wait for perfect conditions. It comes to those who hunger and believe. Do not treat the presence of God lightly. Welcome His weight in your life. Let Him disrupt what needs disrupting so that His glory alone remains. Keep going in reverence.

Day 4: God Cannot Be Contained (1 Samuel 5:9-12, Romans 6:12-14, Acts 10:47-48)

Devotional: The ark was moved from city to city, yet the hand of the Lord remained heavy. Panic and death followed wherever the Philistines tried to control it. Sin shall no longer be your master. Church family, God will not be boxed in by our preferences or traditions. Peter asked, "Can anyone withhold the water?" when the Spirit fell on the Gentiles. No one can stop what God is doing. When He brings new life, we must respond with baptism, obedience, and a hunger to keep growing. Offer every part of yourself to Him as an instrument of righteousness. Keep going. Let nothing hold you back from the full life He offers.

Day 5: Birth Is the Beginning — Keep Growing (1 Samuel 5 summary, Acts 10:36-48, 2 Peter 3:18)

Devotional: The Philistines discovered there is no other god but God. His power cannot be managed. Peter and Cornelius both kept going: one by sharing what he had seen, the other by receiving the Spirit and asking to be discipled. Church family, knowing Jesus is not the finish line. Birth is the beginning of life. Repent, believe, be baptized, receive the Holy Spirit, and then be discipled. Hunger for more of Christ. Share what you have seen of Him. Stay a few days with those who are growing. Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord. Keep going. The journey continues, and God is still moving in unexpected places.

Keep Moving Forward: Your Fresh Wind Commitment

As you complete this devotional journey, consider these practical steps to position yourself for God's fresh wind:

Weekly Commitments:

- *Attend Sunday worship consistently (aim for 3+ services monthly)*
- *Join Wednesday prayer gatherings to seek God corporately*
- *Participate in monthly Fresh Wind evening services*
- *Be part of a Discipleship Group*

Daily Practices:

- *Designate specific time for prayer and Scripture reading*
- *Remove one distraction that crowds out time with God*
- *Ask the Holy Spirit to fill you afresh each morning*
- *Invite someone to join you in pursuing God's presence*