

Here's a 5-day Bible reading plan and devotional guide based on the themes from this week's message from Pastor James:



“There’s Purpose in This!”

Day 1: Discovering Your Divine Purpose

Reading: [Jeremiah 29:11-13](#), [Ephesians 2:10](#)

Devotional: God has a unique purpose for each of our lives. Just as He knew Jeremiah before he was formed in the womb, He knows us intimately and has plans to prosper us, not to harm us. Today, reflect on the truth that you are God's masterpiece, created anew in Christ Jesus to do good works that He prepared long ago. Ask God to reveal His purpose for you in this season of your life. How might your current circumstances, even the challenging ones, be shaping you for His divine plan? Remember, your purpose is not just about personal fulfillment but about bringing glory to God and serving others. Pray for clarity and courage to step into the calling God has for you.

Day 2: Finding Passion in Purpose

Reading: [Romans 12:11-12](#), [Colossians 3:23-24](#)

Devotional: When we align our lives with God's purpose, it ignites a passion within us. Paul encourages us to never be lazy, but to work hard and serve the Lord enthusiastically. Consider areas in your life where you may have lost your zeal. Are you going through the motions at work, in your relationships, or even in your faith? Remember that as believers, we ultimately work for the Lord, not for people. How might this perspective change your approach to daily tasks? Ask God to renew your passion and help you see your work, no matter how mundane, as an opportunity to glorify Him. Let the promise of an eternal inheritance fuel your enthusiasm for serving Christ in all you do.

Day 3: Persevering Through Pain

Reading: [Romans 8:18-25](#), [2 Corinthians 4:16-18](#)

Devotional: Our journey of purpose is not pain-free. Like creation groaning for redemption, we too experience suffering as we await our full adoption as God's children. Yet Paul reminds us that our present troubles are small compared to the glory that awaits us. Reflect on a current struggle in your life. How might God be using this pain to refine you and

draw you closer to Him? Remember Joseph's words to his brothers - what others intended for harm, God intended for good. Ask God for the strength to persevere, knowing that He is working all things together for your good and His glory. Let hope be your anchor as you endure, fixing your eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen and eternal.

Day 4: Comfort in Suffering

Reading: 2 Corinthians 1:3-7, Psalm 34:18

Devotional: God doesn't waste our pain. He comforts us in our troubles so that we can comfort others with the comfort we've received. Think about a difficult experience you've gone through. How has God comforted you in that time? Now consider how your story might encourage someone else facing a similar struggle. Our sufferings often become the very tools God uses to minister to others. The Lord is close to the brokenhearted, and He often uses us as His hands and feet to bring that closeness to others. Today, be open to opportunities where God might use your past pain to bring comfort to someone else. Your willingness to be vulnerable about your struggles can be a powerful testimony to God's faithfulness.

Day 5: Living with Eternal Purpose

Reading: Philippians 3:12-14, Hebrews 12:1-3

Devotional: As we run the race set before us, we must keep our eyes fixed on the eternal prize. Paul speaks of pressing on toward the goal, forgetting what lies behind and straining toward what is ahead. What past failures or successes might be hindering you from fully embracing God's purpose for your life today? Remember, your identity is not in your past mistakes or achievements, but in Christ. He has called you to a heavenly prize. Consider what weights or sins might be slowing you down in your spiritual race. Ask God for the grace to lay these aside and run with perseverance. Let the joy set before you - eternal life with Christ - motivate you to live each day with purpose, passion, and persistence.