

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



### **Day 1: Honoring God in All Circumstances**

**Reading:** [Genesis 39:1-6](#)

**Devotional:** Joseph's story teaches us about honoring God regardless of our circumstances. Despite being sold into slavery, Joseph remained faithful and honored God with his actions. This led to God's presence being with him and blessing everything he did. Today, reflect on how you can honor God in your current situation, whether it's favorable or challenging. Remember that God's presence isn't limited by our circumstances, but rather by our willingness to honor Him in all things.

### **Day 2: Establishing Godly Standards**

**Reading:** [Colossians 3:23-24](#)

**Devotional:** As stewards of God's gifts, we're called to establish and maintain godly standards in our lives. Joseph exemplified this by refusing to compromise his integrity, even when tempted. Consider the areas in your life where you might be tempted to lower your standards. Ask God for the strength to uphold His standards, remembering that we ultimately work for the Lord, not for human masters. How can you elevate your standards today to better reflect Christ?

### **Day 3: God's Faithfulness in Suffering**

**Reading:** [Romans 8:28-39](#)

**Devotional:** Joseph's journey from the pit to the palace demonstrates God's faithfulness even in our darkest moments. Despite facing betrayal, false accusation, and imprisonment, Joseph experienced God's presence and favor. Reflect on a time when you felt abandoned or forgotten. How did God reveal His faithfulness to you? Remember that nothing can separate us from God's love, and He works all things together for the good of those who love Him.

### **Day 4: Strategic Stewardship**

**Reading:** [Luke 16:1-13](#)

**Devotional:** Being a good steward involves more than just honesty; it requires wisdom and strategy. Joseph used his God-given gifts strategically, even in prison, which ultimately led to his promotion. Consider the gifts and resources God has entrusted to you. How can you

use them more strategically for His kingdom? Pray for divine wisdom to be a shrewd yet righteous steward in all areas of your life.

### **Day 5: Perseverance in God's Plan**

**Reading: Hebrews 12:1-3**

**Devotional:** Joseph's life is a testament to the importance of perseverance in fulfilling God's plan. Despite numerous setbacks, he didn't give up on his faith or his dreams. As you face challenges in your own life, remember that God's timing is perfect, and His plans often unfold differently than we expect. Fix your eyes on Jesus, who endured the cross for the joy set before Him. What areas of your life require renewed perseverance? Ask God for the strength to run your race with endurance, knowing that He who began a good work in you will carry it to completion.