

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



Day 1: Embracing God's Grace

Reading: Ephesians 2:8-9

Devotional: God's grace is the cornerstone of our faith. It's not about what we can do, but about what God has already done for us through Christ. Today, reflect on areas in your life where you might be trying to earn God's favor instead of resting in His grace. How can you surrender your striving and fully embrace the free gift of grace? Remember, you are loved and accepted not because of your achievements, but because of Christ's finished work on the cross.

Day 2: Finding Strength in Weakness

Reading: 2 Corinthians 12:9-10

Devotional: Our weaknesses are not obstacles to God's work in our lives, but opportunities for His power to shine through. Consider a current struggle or weakness in your life. How might God be inviting you to rely more fully on His strength rather than your own? Pray for the humility to acknowledge your limitations and the faith to trust in God's sufficiency. Remember, when you are weak, that's when you can be truly strong in Christ.

Day 3: Persevering with Grace

Reading: James 1:2-4

Devotional: The journey of faith often involves trials and challenges. Yet, these difficulties can be catalysts for spiritual growth when we persevere with God's grace. Reflect on a current trial in your life. How might God be using this situation to develop your character and deepen your faith? Ask for the grace to "keep going" even when the path is difficult, trusting that God is working all things for your good and His glory.

Day 4: Extending Grace to Others and Yourself

Reading: Colossians 3:12-14

Devotional: As recipients of God's boundless grace, we are called to extend that same grace to others and ourselves. Is there someone in your life who needs grace from you today? Or perhaps you need to show grace to yourself in an area where you've been overly critical? Practice intentionally extending grace in your interactions today, remembering the immeasurable grace God has shown you in Christ.

Day 5: Living in God's Sustaining Grace

Reading: 1 Peter 5:10-11

Devotional: God's grace is not just for salvation; it's the power that sustains us every day. As you face the challenges of life, remember that the God of all grace is with you, strengthening, establishing, and supporting you. How can you more fully rely on God's sustaining grace in your daily life? Take time to thank God for specific ways you've experienced His grace recently, and ask for the faith to trust in His grace for whatever lies ahead.