



New Covenant Apostolic Church

JOURNEY OF A
DISCIPLE:
FOLLOWING
JESUS IN THE
EVERYDAY
DEVOTIONAL

5-Day Plan



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Day 1

Rejoicing Always

Philippians 4:4-7

In times of trouble, it's easy to lose our joy. Yet Paul encourages us to "Rejoice in the Lord always." This isn't about feeling happy all the time, but about finding our source of joy in God regardless of circumstances. Today, reflect on the times when rejoicing felt difficult. How can you cultivate a spirit of joy even in challenging situations? Remember, our joy isn't based on fleeting emotions or circumstances, but on the unchanging nature of God. Practice gratitude today, listing three things you can rejoice about, even if your current situation is difficult.



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Day 2

Faith in Action: Being a Light in the World

Matthew 5:14-16

"This little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine." These simple lyrics carry a profound truth - we are called to be lights in a dark world. Jesus tells us we are the light of the world, not to be hidden but to shine brightly. In your daily life - at school, work, or in your community - how can you let your light shine? It might be through acts of kindness, speaking words of encouragement, or standing firm in your faith when challenged. Remember, your light isn't just for you; it's meant to glorify God and draw others to Him. Today, consciously look for one opportunity to let your light shine brightly for others to see.



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Day 3

The Cost of Discipleship

Luke 9:23-26

Following Jesus isn't always easy. Peter, who walked closely with Jesus, still denied Him in a moment of fear. The cost of discipleship can be high, requiring us to deny ourselves and potentially face rejection from others. But Jesus promises that whoever loses their life for His sake will save it. Reflect on areas in your life where following Jesus might be costly. Are there friendships, habits, or ambitions that you need to surrender to follow Him more closely? Remember, what we gain in Christ far outweighs anything we might lose for His sake.



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Day 4

The Power of Godly Friendships

Proverbs 27:17

"Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another." The friends we choose have a profound impact on our lives and faith. Just as iron sharpens iron, godly friends can challenge us, encourage us, and help us grow spiritually. Consider your closest friendships. Do they sharpen you spiritually? Are you a sharpening influence in their lives? Pray for discernment in your friendships, asking God to surround you with people who will encourage your faith and challenge you to grow. Also, reflect on how you can be a better friend to others, pointing them towards Christ.



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Day 5

Being Transformed, Not Conformed

Romans 12:1-2

The world constantly pressures us to conform, but God calls us to be transformed. This transformation isn't just about outward behavior, but a renewal of our minds. It's about seeing the world through God's perspective and aligning our thoughts with His truth. What areas of your life still conform to the patterns of this world? It might be in your attitudes, your use of time, or your priorities. Ask God to renew your mind today. Commit to spending time in His Word, allowing it to shape your thoughts and actions. Remember, this transformation is a lifelong process, but it begins with daily choices to align ourselves with God's will rather than the world's patterns.