Day 1: God's Heart for the Nations

Reading: Genesis 12:1-3, Matthew 28:18-20

Devotional: God's love for the world isn't a New Testament concept - it's woven throughout the entire Bible. From His promise to Abraham to bless all nations through him, to Jesus' Great Commission, we see God's heart for every people group. Today, reflect on how you view God's global mission. Have you considered it something for "missions-minded" people, or a call for every believer? Ask God to expand your vision and align your heart with His passion for the nations.

Day 2: The Glory Due His Name

Reading: Psalm 96

Devotional: Today's passage reminds us that God is worthy of praise from all peoples. Just as we'd feel injustice if someone failed to credit those who supported their success, how much more should we desire for God to receive the glory He's due? Consider areas in your life where you might be withholding glory from God. Are there successes or blessings you've claimed as your own? Take time to "declare His glory among the nations" by sharing a testimony of God's work in your life with someone today.

Day 3: God's Patience and Desire for Salvation

Reading: 2 Peter 3:8-9, Luke 19:41-44

Devotional: God's heart breaks for those who haven't yet embraced His love and salvation. Jesus wept over Jerusalem, longing for them to recognize Him. Similarly, God is patient, "not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance." This patience isn't passive - it's an active waiting, filled with opportunities for people to turn to Him. How might God be calling you to participate in His patient, persistent pursuit of the lost? Pray for someone you know who doesn't yet know Christ.

Day 4: Overcoming Distractions to Pursue God's Mission

Reading: Matthew 6:19-24, Colossians 3:1-4

Devotional: It's easy to become distracted from God's global mission by the cares and pleasures of this world. Even good things like family, work, or local ministry can inadvertently push aside our participation in God's heart for the nations. Today's readings remind us to set our minds on things above. What distractions might be keeping you from engaging with God's global purpose? Ask the Holy Spirit to realign your priorities and show you practical steps to engage with His mission.

Day 5: Sent Ones - Participating in God's Mission

Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8, Acts 1:8

Devotional: God's mission advances through His people saying "Here am I, send me." This might mean physically going to another culture, but it always involves being witnesses wherever we are. Isaiah's vision of God's holiness compelled him to volunteer for service. Similarly, the disciples were empowered by the Holy Spirit to be Christ's witnesses. Spend time in prayer, asking God to reveal His holiness and empower you by His Spirit. Then, like Isaiah, offer yourself to be sent - whether across the street or across the world - to participate in making God's name known among all peoples.