



5-Day Bible Reading Plan and Devotional Guide

Day 1: The Two Roads Before You

Reading: Galatians 5:16-26

Devotional: Every day you wake up, two roads stretch out before you. One is paved by the flesh, wide and familiar, but it leads to exhaustion and misery. The other is walked in the Spirit, and though it requires deliberate choice, it leads to life. Paul makes clear that these two paths are not neutral -- they are at war with one another. The good news is that you are not left to navigate this alone. The Holy Spirit nudges, guides, and empowers. The question is not whether God is willing. The question is whether you are choosing to listen and obey.

Reflection: What is the Holy Spirit nudging you toward or away from right now that you have been ignoring?

Practical Application: Before making any significant decision today, pause and ask yourself honestly: is this choice leading toward life or toward misery?

Day 2: Wages and Gifts

Reading: Romans 6:20-23; Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Devotional: A wage is something earned. When you clock in and do the work, the paycheck follows automatically -- no one has to beg for it. Scripture uses this same language to describe the consequences of living according to the flesh. The misery that follows sinful patterns is not a punishment God sends from a distance; it is written into the very fabric of creation. But notice



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the contrast: the other side is called a gift. You cannot earn life. You receive it. Today, consider what your daily choices are earning, and what you might be refusing to simply receive from the hand of a generous God.

Reflection: Are there areas of your life where you are working hard in the flesh and wondering why nothing is being produced?

Practical Application: Identify one area where you have been striving in your own strength. Surrender it today through prayer, and choose to trust God's grace instead.

Day 3: Fruit Is Not a Project

Reading: John 15:1-17; 2 Corinthians 3:18

Devotional: You cannot manufacture love, patience, or gentleness through sheer determination. Many sincere believers have resolved to work harder on kindness, only to find that the first difficult coworker or frustrating family member unravels every effort. This is because fruit is not produced by striving -- it is produced by abiding. The transformation you long for in your character is not the result of a self-improvement plan; it is the natural overflow of time spent in the presence of God. The more you abide in Him, the more you begin to reflect Him -- not as a performance, but as a reflex.

Reflection: What does your private spiritual life look like, and how is it showing up in your public responses to difficult people and circumstances?

Practical Application: Set aside fifteen intentional minutes today -- not to ask God for anything, but simply to be in His presence. Read Scripture slowly and listen.



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Day 4: Living It Out After the Altar

Reading: James 1:22-25; John 15:16

Devotional: Spiritual experiences are real and valuable. Healing happens. Breakthroughs occur. The presence of God moves in powerful ways. But an experience without transformation is like catching rain in your hands -- it is real, it is refreshing, and it is gone. Jesus said that those who abide in Him will bear fruit, and that their fruit will remain. The goal is not simply to have a moment at an altar but to carry that moment into Monday, Tuesday, and every ordinary day that follows. The same Spirit who meets you in the high moments of worship is available to you in the mundane moments of daily life.

Reflection: Think of a spiritual breakthrough or moment of encounter you have experienced. Are you still walking in what you received, or has it faded?

Practical Application: Write down one specific commitment you will make this week to walk out something God has already done in your life, rather than returning to pray for the same thing again.

Day 5: The Church That Walks What It Worships

Reading: Galatians 5:24-25; Luke 9:23; Romans 12:1-2

Devotional: Paul's challenge to the Galatian church is the same challenge facing the church today: do not settle for spiritual experience without spiritual transformation. To live in the Spirit and also walk in the Spirit requires the cross -- not as a symbol to admire, but as a reality to embrace. Crucifying the flesh is not a one-time event; it is a daily decision to deny what comes



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naturally and choose what is right. The church that does this well is not the one known only for its worship atmosphere or its doctrinal precision, but the one whose people look the same on Wednesday as they do on Sunday.

Reflection: Is there a consistent gap between who you are in a worship service and who you are in ordinary life? What is one specific area where those two need to come together?

Practical Application: Choose one fruit of the Spirit from Galatians 5:22-23 and make a concrete, daily decision this week to walk it out -- not by trying harder, but by spending more time with the One who produces it naturally in you.