



# 5 Day Devotional

This five day devotional will be taking a deeper dive into the sermon from this weekend. We will explore the power of prayer, how to navigate through temptation, and the importance of forgiveness in our spiritual journey. Join us as we break down each segment and apply it to our daily lives.

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### Day 1

#### Luke 11:1-4

Today we turn our focus to the essence of prayer and the model given to us by Jesus Christ himself. In our sermon series, Pastor Jerome emphasized the importance of understanding and following the structure of the Lord's Prayer. Jesus' approach to prayer is not merely a ritual but a powerful connection with our Heavenly Father. The beginning of the prayer, "Father, hallowed be your name," reminds us of the reverence and honor we should uphold for God's name. It's essential to start our prayers by acknowledging His greatness and holiness.

As we continue, we see how Jesus instructs us to ask for our daily bread, symbolizing our reliance on God for our daily needs. This aspect is vital, as it teaches us to depend on God every single day, trusting in His provision and grace. By seeking His kingdom first, we align ourselves with His will and purpose for our lives, making His priorities ours.

- How often do you start your prayers by honoring God's name?
- In what ways can you show dependence on God for your daily needs?
- What does seeking His kingdom first mean to you personally?
- Pray for a heart that reveres and honors God's name in every prayer.
- Ask God to help you trust in Him for your daily provisions.
- Seek guidance on how to align your priorities with God's kingdom.

### Day 2

#### Luke 11:2

Praying for God's kingdom to come is a powerful declaration of our desire for His sovereignty over our lives and surroundings. Pastor Jerome elucidated the distinction between the earthly and heavenly kingdoms. While we live on earth, we can invite God's kingdom to manifest here, influencing our realms of existence. This transformative prayer changes our earthly perspective and empowers us to walk in spiritual authority.

When we pray for God's kingdom to come, we are essentially asking for His rule and reign over every aspect of our lives. This prayer not only changes our environment but also transforms us. We become vessels through which God's heavenly principles can be demonstrated on earth, impacting those around us.

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- What does God's kingdom look like to you?
- How can you invite God's kingdom into your daily life?
- In what ways can you demonstrate God's principles in your community?
- Pray for God's presence to be evident in your life.
- Ask for opportunities to showcase the love and mercy of God's kingdom.
- Seek the courage to stand firm in your spiritual authority.

### Day 3

#### Luke 11:3

Trusting God for the 'daily bread' is a profound lesson in faith and reliance. Pastor Jerome highlighted how pivotal it is to seek God's provision each day afresh, rather than relying on past blessings. The concept of daily bread in the Lord's Prayer underscores our need for God's continual sustenance and blessings.

As we pray for this daily provision, it encourages us to cultivate a deeper dependence on God. It brings us to a place where we recognize that every day offers new opportunities for God to show His faithfulness. This continuous dependence keeps us humble and constantly aware of His grace at work in our lives.

- · How has God provided for you this week?
- Why is it important to seek daily provisions rather than relying on past blessings?
- In what ways can you remain humble in acknowledging God's daily provision?
- Thank God for His daily provisions and blessings.
- Ask for a humble heart that depends on Him every day.
- Seek wisdom in recognizing and appreciating God's continuous faithfulness.

# Day 4

#### Luke 11:4

Today, our focus is on forgiveness. Pastor Jerome spoke about the duality of seeking forgiveness and offering it to those who are indebted to us. Asking for forgiveness is crucial in our walk with God because it clears the path for spiritual growth and redemption. However, forgiving others is equally important as it mirrors the grace we've received.

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Unforgiveness can become a significant hindrance in our spiritual lives, leading us to hold onto unnecessary burdens. By forgiving others, we release ourselves from the chains of resentment and bitterness, allowing God's love to flow freely through us. Let us seek the strength to forgive as freely as we have been forgiven.

- Who do you need to forgive in your life right now?
- How has holding onto unforgiveness affected you?
- What steps can you take today to start the process of forgiving others?
- Pray for the courage to forgive those who have hurt you.
- Ask God to soften your heart towards those you need to forgive.
- Seek to understand the freedom that comes with forgiveness.

## Day 5

#### Hebrews 12:1-3

On this final day, we tackle the subject of temptation. Pastor Jerome emphasized the importance of praying through temptation rather than just against it. Temptation is an inevitable part of our spiritual journey, much like it was for Jesus. However, we are not alone in this; we have the power of prayer to guide us through.

When faced with temptation, praying through it helps us to lean on God's strength rather than our own. Understanding that temptation is not a sign of failure but a part of our walk allows us to seek God's guidance and overcome it successfully. This growth through adversities brings us closer to God's purpose for our lives.

- · What temptations are you currently facing?
- How can you incorporate prayer into your strategy for dealing with temptation?
- Why is it crucial to rely on God's strength rather than your own?
- Pray for guidance and strength in times of temptation.
- Ask God to help you see the way out of tempting situations.
- Seek the presence of the Holy Spirit to fortify you against temptation.

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