

5-Day Devotional: Only Believe

Day 1: When Fear Meets Faith

Reading: Mark 5:35-36

Devotional: Jairus received devastating news while walking with Jesus—his daughter had died. In that moment of crushing disappointment, Jesus spoke three powerful words: "Be not afraid, only believe." Fear is specifically designed to steal your faith and keep you from the miracle God has ordained for your life. When bad news comes, your response determines your outcome. Will you focus on the report or on the Reporter? God doesn't ask you to understand everything; He asks you to trust Him. Today, identify one fear that's been limiting you. Instead of rehearsing worst-case scenarios, declare: "I choose to believe God." Your breakthrough is on the other side of your fear.

Day 2: All Things Are Possible

Reading: Mark 9:23; Amos 9:13-15

Devotional: "All things are possible to the one that believes." This isn't positive thinking—it's Kingdom reality. God declares through Amos that blessings will come so fast your head will swim, one blessing on the heels of another. Everywhere you look: blessings. But here's the key: everything is impossible for those who will not believe. Your belief system determines your blessing system. Stop believing the lies—what society says, what your past says, what your feelings say. Old things have passed away; all things have become new. Today is a new day with new possibilities. Anchor your faith high and expect God to move. It won't be long now. Things are about to shift quickly in your favor.

Day 3: Filled to Be Free

Reading: Acts 2:1-4; John 14:16-17

Devotional: The Holy Spirit fills you to free you. On the day of Pentecost, believers were filled with power that transformed them from fearful followers into bold witnesses. The Holy Spirit doesn't come to make you religious; He comes to liberate you from every shackle, every yoke of bondage, every lie of the devil. When you're truly filled with the Spirit, people might think you're crazy—but you'll be free. Free from fear. Free from limitation. Free from your past. You'll have the mind of Christ, renewed daily by God's Word. If you've been living limited, bound by what others think or what you've experienced, today cry out: "Lord, fill me up and set me free!" True freedom is found in complete surrender to His Spirit.

Day 4: The Power of Covenant Blood

Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Hebrews 9:11-14

Devotional: Jesus was broken so you could be made whole. His blood purchased every promise, every testimony, everything God has said belongs to you. When you receive communion, you're not participating in empty ritual—you're proclaiming the Lord's death until He

comes and receiving everything His sacrifice secured. Healing is in that cup. Prosperity is in that cup. Peace, restoration, and wholeness flow from Calvary's cross. You don't deserve it, but Jesus made you worthy. His body was broken for your wholeness; His blood was shed for your freedom. Today, receive what He's already paid for. Stop living beneath your inheritance. Drink in every promise. Your life is complete because of Jesus.

Day 5: It Won't Be Long Now

Reading: Romans 8:28; Psalm 46:1

Devotional: "It won't be long now," says the Lord. You've endured disappointment after disappointment, but the season has changed. God is a very present help in trouble—He's always close by when difficulties come. You're not rejected; you're accepted. You're not hated; you're so loved that God sent His Son. You haven't been chosen to be broke, busted, and disgusted—you've been ordained to prosper and walk in blessing. Whatever you've been waiting for, whatever you've been believing for, it's closer than you think. Things are about to happen so fast you won't be able to keep up. Everywhere you turn, blessings. Don't give up now. Don't throw away your faith. Anchor it high and watch God move. Your breakthrough is coming—and it won't be long now.

Only Believe Bible Study

Main Takeaways

1. Fear vs. Faith: The Battle for Your Future

Fear is specifically designed to steal your faith and keep you from miracles. God often waits until "too late" to free us from the fear of bad things happening. We're called to exist during difficult times, which requires freedom from fear

2. "It Won't Be Long Now" - God's Decree

Blessings will come so fast you won't be able to keep up

Everywhere you look will be blessings

This is God's decree, not human wishful thinking

3. Only Believe

All things are possible to those who believe

Everything is impossible for those who will not believe

Faith must be anchored high, not sitting back to "see what happens"

Discussion Questions

The pastor mentioned that sometimes we go to God hoping something won't happen, but it happens anyway. Have you experienced this? How did you respond?

The pastor said, "We got to anchor our faith high this time. Not sit on the back and say, 'well, let's see what happens.'" What does "anchoring your faith high" look like practically in your daily life?

The Holy Spirit fills us to free us. Have you been filled with the Holy Spirit? If so, what areas of your life still need His freeing power?

This Week's Challenge:

Choose ONE of the following action steps:

Option 1: Fear Inventory

Write down 3-5 fears that have been holding you back. For each fear, write the opposite truth from God's Word. Pray over each one daily, declaring "Be not afraid, only believe"

Option 2: Expectation Reset

Each morning this week, before checking your phone, declare: "Something good is going to happen to me today". Keep a journal of the blessings (big and small) you notice.

Option 3: Refocus Your Circle

Identify one person in your life who consistently speaks fear/doubt. Set a boundary with them (limit time, change conversation topics, etc. Identify one person who builds your faith and intentionally connect with them this week

Option 4: Giving in Faith

If you haven't been a faithful giver, commit to tithing/giving this month. Give with expectation, believing God will open doors of blessing. Write down what you're believing God for as you give