

A 5-DAY DEVOTIONAL COMPANION

The House That Holds Everyone

“...but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.”

Joshua 24:15

Written reflections, Scripture, journaling space, and prayers to accompany the audio devotional series

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Welcome

Two houses can look the same from the street. Both have walls. Both have a roof. Both seem stable on a sunny day. But storms reveal foundations—and what holds a home together is not its appearance, but what it is built on and the rhythms practiced inside it.

This written guide is designed to walk alongside the audio devotional. Each day follows the same simple rhythm, so you can listen, read, reflect, and respond at your own pace.

HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

- 1. Listen.** Begin with the day's audio devotional. Let the message settle before you pick up your pen.
- 2. Read.** Open your Bible to the day's passage and read it in full. The key verse is printed for you.
- 3. Reflect.** Read the written devotional, then answer the reflection questions honestly in the space provided.
- 4. Respond.** Complete the practical step. Healing grows through small, intentional acts of faith.
- 5. Pray.** Pray the written prayer aloud, then add your own words.
- 6. Remember.** Carry the day's closing truth with you. Write it somewhere you will see it.

A note before you begin: this devotional is a tool for reflection, not a substitute for pastoral care or professional counseling. If what surfaces feels too heavy to carry alone, please reach out to a pastor or a trusted, qualified counselor.

THE JOURNEY AT A GLANCE

Day	Theme	Scripture
Day 1	The Foundation That Cannot Crack	Matthew 7:24–27
Day 2	The Power of Continuing	Acts 2:42
Day 3	No One Drowns Alone	Galatians 6:2
Day 4	Worship That Is Not a Performance	Psalms 16:11
Day 5	As for Me and My House	Joshua 24:15

DAY 2

The Power of Continuing

Today's Reading: Acts 2:42 | Audio: Day 2

“And they continued stedfastly in the apostles’ doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.”

— Acts 2:42 (KJV)

DEVOTIONAL

One word in that verse carries the weight of everything: continued. The early church did not stumble into revival by accident, and they did not drift into spiritual strength. They continued—and not casually. Scripture says they continued steadfastly: devoted, persistent, intentional. They stayed with it when it was exciting, and when it was ordinary. Their faith had rhythm.

THEY CONTINUED IN...	WHICH MEANT...
The apostles’ doctrine	They gave themselves to the teaching of the Word
Fellowship	They did life together; they did not isolate
Breaking of bread	They shared meals and made room at the table
Prayers	Prayer was not a last resort; it was the life of the house

As they continued, something began to form among them—not just a schedule or a program, but a culture: a shared devotion that shaped their homes, their relationships, and their witness.

Sometimes we want the results of Acts 2 without the rhythms of Acts 2: power without prayer, unity without fellowship, wisdom without the Word. We want the church to be strong while our homes remain spiritually underfed. But strength is built through continuing.

Think about anything that grows strong over time—a marriage, a friendship, a skill. None of it happens in one dramatic moment; it happens through repeated choices, small and faithful.

The same is true in your home. A family altar is not built in one night. A prayer culture is not built in one emotional service. Children do not learn the Word because they heard it once. We continue. We open the Bible again. We pray again. We apologize again. We gather at the table again. We show up again. And God honors continuing: the fruit may not show immediately, but something is being formed beneath the surface. Roots are growing. Strength is returning.

DAY 2 • JOURNAL & RESPONSE

REFLECT

1. *What spiritual discipline has gone dormant in your home?*

2. *What did you once do consistently that you have quietly stopped doing?*

RESPOND: TODAY'S PRACTICAL STEP

Choose one discipline from Acts 2:42 and practice it intentionally in your home every day this week. Start small—but start today.

- ☐ Scripture reading — the apostles' doctrine
- ☐ Prayer
- ☐ Fellowship — life shared with other believers
- ☐ Breaking bread — a meal, a table, a remembering

What this will look like in my home this week:

DAY 2 • PRAYER

PRAY

Lord Jesus, teach us to continue. Forgive us for the ways we have started and stopped, or waited for convenience before obeying. Restore holy rhythms in our homes. Bring us back to Your Word, back to prayer, back to fellowship, and back to the table. Help us not to chase results while neglecting devotion. Make us steadfast. Make us faithful. Make us a people who continue. In Jesus' name, amen.

My own prayer:

REMEMBER THIS

God honors continuing. Take one small step and repeat it faithfully.

Going Deeper: Acts 2:46–47 • Galatians 6:9 • Hebrews 10:23