



## DAILY DEVOTIONS

### THE 7 ARROWS OF BIBLE READING



What does this passage say?



What did this passage mean to its original audience?



What does this passage tell us about God?



What does this passage tell us about man?



What does this passage demand of me?



How does this passage change the way I relate to people?



How does this passage prompt me to pray?

DAY 01

## 2 CORINTHIANS 7:9-10

If you feel a certain level of grief and sorrow for the things you have done wrong, don't be disheartened. God does not intend for that grief to crush your spirit. Rather, He wants to use that sorrow to lead you to meaningful growth. You are not defined by your failures, but you can learn from them and become who God wants you to be. Don't just be sad over your sin; be moved to action to live for God.

HOW HAS YOUR SIN LED TO SORROW?

HOW DO PAINFUL MISTAKES HELP YOU LEARN AND GROW?

WHAT ACTION SHOULD YOU TAKE TO TURN AWAY FROM A SPECIFIC SIN?

DAY 02

## ACTS 26:12-18

WHAT PAST MISTAKES CAUSE YOU TO DOUBT IF GOD CAN USE YOU?

HOW COULD GOD USE YOU IF YOU FOLLOWED HIM WHOLEHEARTEDLY?

WHO CAN YOU SHINE THE LIGHT OF JESUS TO THIS WEEK?

Jesus absolutely changed Saul's life. He was opposed to Christ and harming followers of Jesus. But God intervened and gave him a new purpose. Regardless of the mistakes you have made, God wants to use you for His greater purpose. Through you, God can help others see the light of Jesus and turn away from sin. Don't let your past keep you from God's purpose. Live for Jesus's mission today.

DAY 03

## ACTS 26:19-23

When you turn to Jesus, He wants all of you. He didn't just die to get you to heaven one day, or to forgive your sins (although those things are true). He also died to change your life right now. He wants to lead you in His ways and help you live a righteous life. Turning to Him is more than just asking for forgiveness. Paul said that we should "do works worthy of repentance" (v. 20). God is calling you to greater surrender and obedience. It isn't a one-time action; it is a lifelong journey of following Jesus.

WHAT ASPECT OF YOUR LIFE HAVE YOU STILL NOT TURNED OVER TO CHRIST?

HOW CAN YOU FOLLOW THROUGH WITH YOUR COMMITMENT TO THE LORD?

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO KNOW SPIRITUAL GROWTH IS A LIFELONG JOURNEY?

## PSALM 119:57-60

HOW MIGHT YOU STRUGGLE WITH PROCRASTINATION?

WHAT EXCUSES DO YOU MAKE THAT PREVENT YOU FROM OBEYING THE LORD?

HOW CAN YOU OBEY JESUS WITH GREATER URGENCY?

Think about the things that make you hurry. We hurry when something is important or there is a deadline. Living for Jesus is an urgent matter. The Scriptures say, “I hurried, not hesitating to keep your commands” (v. 60). Put off all procrastination when it comes to obeying the Lord. Don’t take the opportunity He has given you now for granted. You will never get another chance to live this day for Jesus. So, live for Him every day with all your heart.

## PSALM 119:61-64

The psalmist said he was “a friend to all who fear you, to those who keep your precepts” (v. 63). In the family of God, we should go out of our way to make friends. God wants you to be a friend to someone who is trying to live for Jesus but feels alone. Too many Christians are struggling without a friend or encourager. Be that kind of person to someone in your student ministry. God will use you to help someone’s faith and give them the hope they need to keep going.

WHAT HOLDS YOU BACK FROM MAKING A NEW FRIEND?

HOW CAN YOU BE A FRIEND TO SOMEONE WHO FEELS ALONE?

WHO MIGHT GOD WANT YOU TO BE A BETTER FRIEND TO?