

THE BOOK OF ACTS
DEVOTIONAL 

DAY ONE

SCRIPTURE Read Acts Chapter 5 / 1-15

QUESTIONS

1. What stands out to you about Peter's rebuke of Ananias and Sapphira?
2. It says twice in this passage that 'great fear' came upon those who heard about this situation, what do you think that means? (5:5 & 11)
3. Following the story of Ananias and Sapphira we read about the many signs and wonders being performed by the apostles (5:12), why do you think people had so much faith that even the apostles shadows could heal?
4. In what areas of your life could you be holding back from God? How could you decide today to share those areas with him?

PRAYER

Lord, draw me closer to you. Give me the trust to open up every area of my life to you, show me where I am holding back. Give me peace over every situation I face today, I bring every area of my life to you and lay it at your feet. Today I chose to be completely open and honest with you.

I give you my best and my worst and trust that you love me as I am.

Thank you Father.

Amen

DAY TWO

SCRIPTURE Read Acts Chapter 5 / 17 - 42

QUESTIONS

1. Why do you think the High Priest was jealous of the Apostles? (5:17) What was he concerned they were accusing him of? (5:28)
2. What stands out to you about Peter's response to the council? (5:29-32)
3. Why do you think Gamaliel advised the Council to release the apostles?
4. As the apostles are freed we are told they were "Rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonour for the name" of Jesus. What struggles are you facing in your life that provide you an opportunity to rejoice in the face of adversity?

PRAYER

Lord, Thank you that in the midst of adversity and struggle you are faithful, thank you that you are working all things for my good. Give me faith to know that you are present in every situation I go through. Teach me to rejoice in the difficult times as I do in the good times.

Lord ignite in me a fresh joy and a filling up overflow of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

DAY THREE

SCRIPTURE Read Acts Chapter 6 / 1 - 7

QUESTIONS

1. Why do you think the apostles were so keen to focus on preaching the gospel over serving tables?
2. What does this passage teach us about the church as a body of people with different gifts and skills?
3. Why do you think Stephen was chosen to serve in this role?
4. In what way is God asking you to serve the church today? How can you take steps towards achieving this?

PRAYER

Lord, Thank you for the gifts and abilities you have given, show me how I can use these to serve your church. Lord show me anything in my heart that prevents me from serving in the way you are calling me to. In this season draw me closer to you, that I may know your heart for the church and fill me with a fresh fire today.

Amen

DAY FOUR

SCRIPTURE Read Acts Chapter 6 / 8 - 15

QUESTIONS

1. Why did the people turn on Stephen?
2. What do you notice about what these passages say about Stephen's speech?
3. How can you actively increase in grace and power in your life?

PRAYER

Lord, Thank you for your grace on my life and the restoration you are working in me. Lord I pray that today you would fill me with your power, that you would show me the areas of my life to focus on, that you would show me where I am holding on to things that I need to let go. Lord increase the grace on my life for others, show me your heart for others. Thank you that you continue to work in me everyday.

Amen

DAY FIVE

SCRIPTURE Read Acts Chapter 7 / 1 - 53

QUESTIONS

1. Why do you think Stephen's speech included the history of Israel?
2. What does Stephens boldness in verse 51 show you about his faith?
3. What is God highlighting to you personally from Stephens life?

PRAYER

Lord, Show me where I have fear ruling in my life. Show me where I can grow in boldness and produce in me the faith to step out more. Give me the courage to speak truth in the face of adversity and fill me with your spirit today that I may show love to those that come against me.

Lord teach me to listen to your voice and to hear your voice above all others. Thank you for your faithfulness in my life and I open my heart to you as you continue to work in me.

Amen

DAY SIX

SCRIPTURE Read Acts Chapter 7 / 54 - 60 & Chapter 8 / 1 - 3

QUESTIONS

1. Why do you think Saul is introduced at Stephens Execution?
2. What does Stephen's execution teach us about forgiveness?
3. In what areas of your life is God calling you to show forgiveness?

PRAYER

Lord, Thank you for your forgiveness in my life. Thank you for the grace you are growing in me for others. Lord continue to give me compassion and understanding for those around me. Continue to teach me to show love to those who come against me. Lord i pray that today your spirit would overflow in my life, that love and grace would abound in me regardless of my circumstances.

Amen

DAY SEVEN

SCRIPTURE Read Acts Chapter 8 / 4 - 40

QUESTIONS

1. What do you notice about the aftermath of Philip's preaching?
2. Why do you think Phillip rebuked Simon the magician?
3. Following Philips interaction with the Ethiopian Eunuch and His baptism, the man left rejoicing. In what ways is god encountering you today and what are you feeling joyful for?

PRAYER

Lord thank you that you desire to encounter me today. Thank you that you desire for me to know you more every day, thank you that you have made a way for me to know you fully. Lord I pray today that you would break down any walls in my heart that hold me back from complete abandonment to you. Create in me Lord a pure heart filled with joy today, Lord show me where I have cause for joy today!

Amen

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