THANKSGIVING DEVOTIONAL ON GOD'S FAITHFULNESS

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Whoever is not against us is for us. Mark 9:40

Wonderful God, thank you for the ways I have experienced you in my life. When I neglect to witness to others, I deny others from knowing how amazing you are. Help me to share my faith story. Give me ears to hear someone's story that is different from mine and realize how beautifully you connect us. Amen.

Ezekiel 27, 28; James 4 + Psalm 133; Daniel 12:8—Hosea 2:15; Revelation 2:1-11

TUESDAY 25—The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me. Psalm 138:8

Having been made perfect, Jesus became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him. Hebrews 5:9

Generous Lord, thank you for what you did for me on the cross. I am so grateful that you want me to obey you. Give me the faith to believe the purpose you will fulfill through me. Fill me up when I feel too empty to serve. Remind me that you are the source of my strength. Amen.

Ezekiel 29, 30, 31; James 5 + Psalm 134; Hosea 2:16—4:19; Revelation 2:12-23 **WEDNESDAY 26**—Lord, you have plans formed of old, faithful, and sure. Isaiah 25:1

Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. Hebrews 10:23

Guiding God, you help me grip your plans and promises like a map in my hand. I am sorry I struggle to trust you as my navigator even though I know you are the master of any sea. When I tremble and think that I am alone, send me someone to embolden me to hold fast to your promise. Amen.

Ezekiel 32, 33, 34; 1 Peter 1, 2 + Psalm 135:1-12; Hosea 5, 6, 7; Revelation 2:24—3:6

THURSDAY 27—In distress you called, and I rescued you. Psalm 81:7

When Peter noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him. Matthew 14:30-31

God of abundance, thank you for rescuing me from distress. Keep my fears from getting the best of me.

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When I open a new door, remind me that you are on the other side. I am always in good company when you are with me. Help me to bring hope to any hand that reaches out to me. Amen.

Ezekiel 35, 36, 37; 1 Peter 3 + Psalm 135:13-21; Hosea 8, 9; Revelation 3:7-18

FRIDAY 28—For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before me, says the Lord, so shall your descendants and your name remain.

Isaiah 66:22

Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" John 1:49

Lord of heaven and earth, through your presence there are glimpses of eternity all around me. Open my mouth to declare the exuberance of your salvation. Forgive me from muting your glad tidings. Help me to share the hope of your new heavens and new earth with anyone I meet today. Amen.

Ezekiel 38, 39, 40; 1 Peter 4, 5 + Psalm 136; Hosea 10, 11, 12; Revelation 3:19—4:8

SATURDAY 29—A day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. Psalm 84:10

Jesus said to his parents, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" Luke 2:49

Hospitable Father, thank you for letting me experience your presence. One minute with you can mean a lifetime in your kingdom. I am sorry I don't make time for you. Thank you for not giving up on me. When I move away, you keep searching for me to restore my home in you. And I will dwell there forever. Amen.

Ezekiel 41, 42; 2 Peter 1 + Psalm 137; Hosea 13, 14; Revelation 4:9-5:10

Prayer Journal

Your Lord has wonderful plans for you. Look at all God's promises in this week's texts. Your Lord will fulfill His purpose and plans for you. You can call on Him to rescue you. You have the assurance that however hard your walk may be there is a new heaven and a new earth awaiting you. You will discover that a day in His courts is better than a thousand years. Write down what your God is doing for you and share your hope today with someone you know.

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