

## **DEVOTION NINETEEN.**

## **Hope For Tomorrow!**



The best decision of your life was to live your life with God at the center. That was the essential first step to living at your full potential. Now the key to experiencing an extraordinary life every day is to grow in your relationship with God. Scripture talks about how life with God is like a tree and its branches. When a branch is connected to the tree, it receives nourishment and life and produces fruit. We have to stay connected to God so we can receive His strength and be empowered to accomplish all that He has for us.



In any relationship, growth happens over time. God doesn't expect you to be perfect. He just wants you to keep moving forward with Him one step at a time. No matter what is going on in your life, keep making time for Him so that your relationship can grow strong, and you can walk in the fullness of His blessings!

Sometimes we get up in the morning and think, "I don't feel like reading my Bible today." "I'm too tired to pray". But once you develop the habit and see the benefit of how

you feel refreshed and restored, make better decisions, and have God's favour, you'll think, I can't afford not to do this. Spending time with God is that vital to living a victorious life.

The Scripture says that in God's presence there is fullness of joy, fullness of peace, fullness of victory. That's where you're refreshed and restored. Take time to invest in your spiritual well-being by sitting quietly in God's presence, praying and reading your Bible. When you get alone with God, the rest of your day will go much better. All through the day, meditate on God's promises. Put on some good worship music. Put God first and you won't be able to contain all the good things He will bring across your path.

By doing these things we are not ignoring that life around us is not always peachy, however we are choosing to put God in the centre, viewing the world through a God designed Insta. filter and seeing that God can bring the best out of any situation!

This is the difference between thinking that it's our job to change the world alone and knowing that he has a plan that you are a part of!

Reflect on this image, how does your perspective of life change when we realise how God may have been doing a work in us?



Pray that God would fill you with Hope for tomorrow!



"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope." ROMANS 15:13



When this is over, may we never again take for granted A handshake with a stranger Full shelves at the store Conversations with neighbors A crowded theatre Friday night out The taste of communion A routine checkup The school rush each morning Coffee with a friend The stadium roaring Each deep breath A boring Tuesday Life itself.

When this ends, may we find that we have become more like the people we wanted to be we hoped to be and may we stay that way—better for each other because of the worst.

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