

Open Heaven 13 May 2025 Today Devotional & Commentary

Description

The Open Heaven 13 May 2025 devotional for today is DIVINE VISITATION I.

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TOPIC: DIVINE VISITATION I

MEMORISE

And the LORD visited Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did unto Sarah as he had spoken.
Genesis 21:1

READ: Genesis 18:1-14

And the Lord appeared unto him in the plains of Mamre: and he sat in the tent door in the heat of the day;
2 And he lift up his eyes and looked, and, lo, three men stood by him: and when he saw them, he ran to meet them from the tent door, and bowed himself toward the ground,
3 And said, My Lord, if now I have found favour in thy sight, pass not away, I pray thee, from thy servant:
4 Let a little water, I pray you, be fetched, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree:

5 And I will fetch a morsel of bread, and comfort ye your hearts; after that ye shall pass on: for therefore are ye come to your servant. And they said, So do, as thou hast said.

6 And Abraham hastened into the tent unto Sarah, and said, Make ready quickly three measures of fine meal, knead it, and make cakes upon the hearth.

7 And Abraham ran unto the herd, and fetcht a calf tender and good, and gave it unto a young man; and he hasted to dress it.

8 And he took butter, and milk, and the calf which he had dressed, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree, and they did eat.

9 And they said unto him, Where is Sarah thy wife? And he said, Behold, in the tent.

10 And he said, I will certainly return unto thee according to the time of life; and, lo, Sarah thy wife shall have a son. And Sarah heard it in the tent door, which was behind him.

11 Now Abraham and Sarah were old and well stricken in age; and it ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women.

12 Therefore Sarah laughed within herself, saying, After I am waxed old shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also?

13 And the Lord said unto Abraham, Wherefore did Sarah laugh, saying, Shall I of a surety bear a child, which am old?

14 Is any thing too hard for the Lord? At the time appointed I will return unto thee, according to the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son.

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In today's Bible reading, Abraham got a divine visitation that turned his story around for good. For many years before that time, God had made promises to him, but he was still waiting for them to be fulfilled. His wife, Sarah, had even given up hope completely.

However, after the divine visitation, laughter followed. For the next few days, I will discuss more about divine visitation.

There is something special about the visitation that Abraham experienced. The Bible says that the LORD visited him, and he lifted up his eyes and saw three men. I believe that one of them was God Himself because when you read carefully, you will find out that the Bible referred to the One speaking among them as 'LORD' (Genesis 18:13). This means that your divine visitor can be God Himself. For example, in 2 Chronicles 1:6-12, it was God Himself that appeared to Solomon.

You may say, "How can I expect God Himself to pay me a visit?" In John 1:1, the Bible says, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." Your divine visitor can be the Word.

In Psalm 107:20, the Bible says that God sent His word, and it healed them and delivered them from their destruction. In 1 Kings 17:2, the Bible says that the word of God came to Elijah. Also, in 1 Kings 18:1, the word of God came again to Elijah with an instruction, "No more hiding." I pray that God's word will pay you a visit today, in Jesus' name.

Some people have prayed and God has heard them; however, He is waiting for them to study their Bibles so they can receive the Word He has sent to them to meet their needs and solve their problems.

When God sends His Word, healing and deliverance follows, and everything that previously looked impossible will suddenly become possible. Are you aware that God has already sent His word to you and that His word says He has supplied all your needs according to His riches in glory (Philippians 4:19)?

Beloved, you do not have to wait for the next big revival or miracle service to have a divine encounter. God has sent His word to you already, and you can experience His divine touch just by engaging with the pages of your Bible. God's word carries His power; engage with it regularly, and you will not miss your time of divine visitation, in Jesus' name

KEY POINT

You can have a divine encounter with God by studying your Bible diligently

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

2 Chronicles 21-24

RCCG HYMN 15: PASS ME NOT OO GENTLE SAVIOUR

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Memorise: Genesis 21:1 (KJV)

This verse captures the essence of divine visitation—**God personally intervening to fulfill His word at the appointed time.**

Bible Reading: Genesis 18:1-14 (KJV)

The passage recounts **God's visitation to Abraham** in the form of three men (a theophany), where He reaffirmed His promise of Isaac's birth—**turning waiting into laughter** (Genesis 21:6).

Key Insights of Today's Open Heaven Devotional

1. The Nature of Divine Visitation

- **God's Personal Appearance (Theophany):**
 - Abraham hosted **three visitors**, one being **Yahweh Himself** (Genesis 18:13).
 - Other examples:
 - *Jacob* at Peniel (Genesis 32:24-30)
 - *Moses* at the burning bush (Exodus 3:2-6)
 - *Solomon* at Gibeon (2 Chronicles 1:7-12)
- **Christophanies (Pre-Incarnate Christ):**
 - Many scholars believe the "Angel of the LORD" in the Old Testament was Jesus before Bethlehem (e.g., Genesis 16:7-13).

2. Divine Visitation Through His Word

- **Jesus as the Living Word (John 1:1, 14):**
 - Every Scripture engagement is a **potential divine encounter** (Hebrews 4:12).
- **Power in God's Spoken Word:**
 - *Creates* (Genesis 1:3)
 - *Heals* (Psalm 107:20)
 - *Directs* (1 Kings 17:2-3)
 - *Delivers* (1 Kings 18:1)

3. Why Visitations Occur

1. **To Confirm Promises (Genesis 18:10)**
 - Abraham had waited **25 years**—God came to reaffirm His covenant.
2. **To Shift Seasons (1 Kings 18:1)**
 - Elijah's hiding ended when "the word of the LORD came."
3. **To Impart Destiny (Jeremiah 1:4-5)**
 - Jeremiah was ordained as a prophet through divine encounter.

4. How to Position Yourself for Visitation

- **Through the Word (Psalm 119:130):**
 - The author emphasizes: "*God has already sent His Word to you.*"
 - Many pray but **neglect studying Scripture**—where God's answers often await.
- **Through Obedience (John 14:23):**
 - Jesus visits those who **keep His words** (Rev. 3:20).
- **Through Expectancy (Hebrews 11:6):**
 - Abraham **ran to meet** the visitors (Genesis 18:2)—active faith attracts God's presence.

5. Results of Divine Visitation

1. **Laughter Replaces Barrenness (Genesis 21:6)**

- Sarah's doubt turned to joy.
 - 2. **Impossibilities Become Testimonies (Luke 1:37)**
 - A 90-year-old bore a son.
 - 3. **Direction Replaces Confusion (Acts 9:6)**
 - Paul's encounter led to his apostolic calling.
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Practical Applications

For the Weary Waiter:

- **Action:** List God's promises to you. Meditate on them daily (Joshua 1:8).
- **Prayer:** *"Lord, visit me as You visited Abraham—turn my waiting into laughter."*

For the Biblically Passive:

- **Study:** Highlight *Philippians 4:19*—God's Word says your needs are **already supplied**.
- **Declare:** *"Your Word is my visitation today!"*

For the Doubting Heart:

- **Remember:** Sarah laughed **before** her miracle (Genesis 18:12). Your breakthrough may be closer than you think.
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Warning vs. Encouragement

- **Warning:** *"Neglecting Scripture is ignoring God's visitation"* (Hosea 4:6).
 - **Encouragement:** *"God's Word never returns void"* (Isaiah 55:11).
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Conclusion: Your Visitation is Now

1. **God visits in Person (through His Spirit) and in Word (through Scripture).**
 2. **Your Bible is a visitation portal—open it expectantly.**
 3. **Divine encounters turn promises into reality.**
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Prayer Response

"Father, thank You for Your Word—Your living visitation to me. Open my eyes to see You in Scripture today. Let every promise You've spoken over my life come to pass suddenly, as it did for Sarah. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Final Charge

"Don't wait for a revival meeting—your divine visitation is in the Book!"

Will you open your Bible today?

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