

Open Heaven 21 May 2025 Devotional & Commentary

Description

The Open Heaven 21 May 2025 devotional for today is HE SENT HIS WORD.

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OPEN HEAVEN 21 MAY 2025 TODAY DEVOTIONAL

TOPIC: HE SENT HIS WORD

MEMORISE

He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.
Psalm 107:20

READ: John 5:1-9

1 After this there was a feast of the Jews; and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.
2 Now there is at Jerusalem by the sheep market a pool, which is called in the Hebrew tongue Bethesda, having five porches.
3 In these lay a great multitude of impotent folk, of blind, halt, withered, waiting for the moving of the water.
4 For an angel went down at a certain season into the pool, and troubled the water: whosoever then first after the troubling of the water stepped in was made whole of whatsoever disease he had.
5 And a certain man was there, which had an infirmity thirty and eight years.
6 When Jesus saw him lie, and knew that he had been now a long time in that case, he saith unto him, Wilt thou be made whole?
7 The impotent man answered him, Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool: but while I am coming, another steppeth down before me.
8 Jesus saith unto him, Rise, take up thy bed, and walk.
9 And immediately the man was made whole, and took up his bed, and walked: and on the same day was the sabbath.

RCCG OPEN HEAVEN 21 MAY 2025 TODAY MESSAGE

A lady, who had consistently failed her driving test for 17 years, attended one of our Holy Ghost Services. During the service, the word of God came, "There is somebody here; you will never fail another exam." The next time she took the driving test, she passed.

When God's word comes, negative cycles of frustration and pain come to an end. After Joshua and the Israelites crossed Jordan, they were met by another obstacle: Jericho. The city had formidable walls, and the gates were shut.

Now Jericho was straitly shut up because of the children of Israel: none went out, and none came in. Joshua 6:1

When the word of God came, the walls fell down like a pack of cards before the Israelites.

I decree today that the word you need to overcome great and ancient obstacles will come to you, in Jesus' name. The sick man at the pool of Bethesda in today's Bible reading had endured a terrible cycle of frustration, pain, and disappointment for 38 years.

However, when the word of God (Jesus) came to him, he got his healing and was delivered from the long cycle of negative circumstances surrounding him. When the word of God came to him, everything turned around for good. In the name that is above every other name, the word that will turn your good dreams into realities and change whatever negative circumstances that exist in your life permanently will come to you. If you have been experiencing any form of bondage, God will destroy everything that has kept you in chains, in Jesus' name.

In 2 Kings 4:1-7, the story of the widow of one of the sons of the prophets changed for good.

When her husband died, he left his family in so much debt that his sons were going to become slaves. Thankfully, she didn't keep her problems to herself; she cried out to God's representative, Elisha, and her cry activated a word from heaven that changed her life. She got a miracle that not only brought her out of debt but also gave her and her children enough to live on for the rest of her life.

Beloved, you can get God to send His word to heal you and break you out of any bondage you might be experiencing if you cry to Him for help. If you stay quiet, nothing will change about the situation. However, if you cry to Him, He will send His word and deliver you.

PRAYER POINT

Father, please send Your word to me today, in Jesus' name.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

Nehemiah 1-3

HYMN 25: THE GREAT PHYSICIANS NOW IS NEAR

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Memorise: Psalm 107:20 (KJV)

This powerful verse establishes that **God's spoken word carries creative power to heal, deliver, and transform impossible situations.**

Bible Reading: John 5:1-9 (KJV)

The account of the invalid at Bethesda demonstrates how **38 years of suffering ended instantly** when Jesus spoke a word of liberation.

Key Insights from Today's Open Heaven Devotional

1. The Nature of Negative Cycles

- **Characteristics of Bondage:**
 1. *Repetitive failures* (like the 17-year driving test struggle)

2. *Seemingly insurmountable obstacles* (Jericho's walls in Joshua 6:1)
3. *Prolonged suffering* (38 years at Bethesda)
4. *Hopeless indebtedness* (the widow's crisis in 2 Kings 4:1)

- **Spiritual Reality:**

These patterns often indicate **demonic strongholds** (Ephesians 6:12) that only divine intervention can break.

2. How God's Word Breaks Chains

1. Prophetic Declaration

- The driving test prophecy created a new reality (Isaiah 55:11)
- Jesus' "Rise, take up thy bed" command overrode 38 years of paralysis

2. Divine Strategy

- Jericho's walls fell through **obedience to unusual instructions** (Joshua 6:3-5)
- The widow's oil multiplied when she **followed Elisha's precise directions**

3. Timely Intervention

- At the "due time" (Romans 5:6), God interrupts cycles:
 - *17 years* ? driving license
 - *38 years* ? healing
 - *Generations* ? Jericho's fall

3. Pathways to Receive Your Breakthrough Word

1. Positioning in God's Presence

- The invalid was at Bethesda (place of healing)
- The lady attended Holy Ghost Service

2. Persistent Crying Out

- The widow "cried unto Elisha" (2 Kings 4:1)
- Bartimaeus kept shouting despite opposition (Mark 10:48)

3. Obedience to Divine Instructions

- Joshua's army marched silently for 6 days
- The widow gathered empty vessels

4. The Power of Testimonies

- **Purpose of Shared Breakthroughs:**

1. Builds faith in others (Revelation 19:10)
2. Confirms God's faithfulness (Psalm 22:22)
3. Creates expectation for new miracles

- **Modern Application:**

The 17-year driving test testimony encourages those facing:

- Academic struggles
- Job search frustrations
- Recurring health issues

5. Jesus as the Living Word

- **Christ's Authority Over Cycles:**
 1. Breaks *generational curses* (Galatians 3:13)
 2. Cancels *chronic illnesses* (1 Peter 2:24)
 3. Overrides *legalistic religion* (John 5:10)
 4. Transforms *financial lack* (2 Corinthians 8:9)
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Life Applications

For the Frustrated:

- *Action:* Identify your longest-standing struggle – bring it before God today
- *Prayer:* “Father, send Your word to break this _____ year cycle of _____”

For the Silent Sufferer:

- *Study:* Compare the invalid's passivity (John 5:7) with Bartimaeus' boldness (Mark 10:47)
- *Challenge:* Share your need with a spiritual leader (James 5:14)

For the Weary Warrior:

- *Encouragement:* Your “7th day march” (Joshua 6:15) may be tomorrow!
 - *Declaration:* “This prolonged battle is my coming testimony!”
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Warning vs. Promise

- **Warning:** “*Silence perpetuates suffering*” (Proverbs 29:18)
 - **Promise:** “*God's word never returns void*” (Isaiah 55:11)
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Conclusion: Your Turnaround Word is Coming!

1. **Divine interruptions often follow prolonged trials** – don't lose hope
 2. **One word from God can override decades of failure** – stay expectant
 3. **Your testimony will empower others** – prepare to share it
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Prayer Response

“Father, send Your word to break every negative cycle in my life today. Give me courage to cry out like Bartimaeus, obedience to follow like Joshua, and faith to receive like the widow. Let my breakthrough become a testimony of Your power, in Jesus' name. Amen.”

Final Charge

“The same God who collapsed Jericho’s walls in a day is speaking to your mountain right now—will you believe His word?”

Your years of waiting are about to become minutes of miracle!

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