

Open Heaven 24 June 2025 Today Devotional & Commentary

Description

The Open Heaven 24 June 2025 devotional for today is FEAR GOD ALONE I.

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TOPIC: FEAR GOD ALONE I

MEMORISE:

For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same:

Romans 13:3

READ: Acts 12:1-11

1 Now about that time Herod the king stretched forth his hands to vex certain of the church.

2 And he killed James the brother of John with the sword.

3 And because he saw it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further to take Peter also. (Then were the days of unleavened bread.)

4 And when he had apprehended him, he put him in prison, and delivered him to four quaternions of soldiers to keep him; intending after Easter to bring him forth to the people.

5 Peter therefore was kept in prison: but prayer was made without ceasing of the church unto God for

him.

6 And when Herod would have brought him forth, the same night Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains: and the keepers before the door kept the prison.

7 And, behold, the angel of the Lord came upon him, and a light shined in the prison: and he smote Peter on the side, and raised him up, saying, Arise up quickly. And his chains fell off from his hands.

8 And the angel said unto him, Gird thyself, and bind on thy sandals. And so he did. And he saith unto him, Cast thy garment about thee, and follow me.

9 And he went out, and followed him; and wist not that it was true which was done by the angel; but thought he saw a vision.

10 When they were past the first and the second ward, they came unto the iron gate that leadeth unto the city; which opened to them of his own accord: and they went out, and passed on through one street; and forthwith the angel departed from him.

11 And when Peter was come to himself, he said, Now I know of a surety, that the Lord hath sent his angel, and hath delivered me out of the hand of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews.

RCCG OPEN HEAVEN 24 JUNE 2025 TODAY MESSAGE

The Bible says clearly in today's memory verse that if you do the right things, you should not be afraid of the government or their agencies.

For instance, when a driver becomes afraid on seeing a traffic official, it is most likely that he or she has done something critical or committed a traffic offence. If you fidget when you learn that tax officials are coming to meet you, it probably means that you have been robbing the government, and Jesus said in Matthew 22:21 that you should give to Ceasar (the government) what belongs to Ceasar.

Rather than being afraid, why not just do the right thing? Stay in the right and do good so that you will never be afraid of government officials.

In certain regions, some people are afraid of government officials, not because they are guilty of any wrongdoing, but because of racism or oppression. If a government official decides to use his or her authority to terrorise you, don't be afraid of such a person. Rather, take the matter to God, and He will fight for you. You must, however, have built a culture of depending on God before trouble comes.

Many years ago, I heard that the military government that was ruling my country at the time was planning to arrest me because the head of the government was told by his spiritualists that my prayers were hindering their selfcentred agenda for the country.

At first, I was afraid, but that night, I handed the matter over to God, and in less than one week, the government official who wanted to kill me was dead. If you fear God and always do the right things, He will fight for you.

In Daniel 3:16, the three Hebrew boys defied the evil order of the king, and God protected them from his wrath. God protected them because they chose to fear Him and not man.

When Herod began to terrorise the church, killing James and imprisoning Peter, the Christians began to pray without ceasing.

Their prayers worked great wonders; Peter was freed miraculously on the eve of the day he was to be executed, and Herod was later eaten by worms (Acts 12:1-23).

Beloved, please stay away from anything that will put you in a position of being afraid of the government. However, if you have not done anything wrong and a government official decides to terrorise you for whatever reason, simply hand him or her over to God, and He will surely protect you.

KEY POINT:

As long as you fear God and keep doing the right things, you don't have to fear any other person, organisation, or government.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

Psalms 107-111

HYMN 19: ROCK OF AGES CLEFT FOR ME

OPEN HEAVEN DEVOTIONAL 24 JUNE 2025 COMMENTARY

Living Without Fear of Earthly Authorities

The Principle of Righteous Confidence

Today's devotional opens with a powerful truth: **a clear conscience before God eliminates fear of human authority**. This principle is rooted in:

1. **Divine Justice** – God honors those who honor Him (1 Samuel 2:30)
2. **Moral Authority** – Righteousness exalts a nation (Proverbs 14:34)
3. **Spiritual Protection** – The angel of the Lord encamps around the godly (Psalm 34:7)

Three Types of Governmental Fear

1. **Conviction Fear** (Guilty Conscience)
 - Traffic violations, tax evasion (Matthew 22:21)

- Solution: Repentance and restitution (Luke 19:8)
- 2. **Oppression Fear** (Unjust Targeting)
 - Racism, religious persecution
 - Solution: Divine appeal (Psalm 94:16-23)
- 3. **Spiritual Fear** (Righteous Resistance)
 - When godliness threatens evil agendas
 - Solution: Strategic prayer (Acts 12:5)

Biblical Models of Divine Protection

The Three Hebrew Boys (Daniel 3)

- **Situation:** Death decree for not worshipping idols
- **Response:** “We will not serve thy gods” (v.18)
- **Result:** Divine deliverance through fire

Peter’s Prison Break (Acts 12)

- **Context:** James martyred, Peter imprisoned
- **Church’s Response:** “Constant prayer” (v.5)
- **Outcome:** Angelic jailbreak, Herod’s judgment

Pastor Adeboye’s Testimony

- **Threat:** Military government targeting
- **Action:** Committed to prayer
- **Result:** Divine intervention within days

Practical Steps for Godly Citizenship

Maintaining a Blameless Life

1. **Financial Integrity**
 - Pay taxes honestly (Romans 13:6-7)
 - Avoid bribes (Exodus 23:8)
2. **Legal Compliance**
 - Obey traffic laws
 - Respect property rights
3. **Social Responsibility**
 - Be a peacemaker (Matthew 5:9)
 - Pray for leaders (1 Timothy 2:1-2)

Responding to Unjust Treatment

1. **Pray First**

- Intercede rather than retaliate (Matthew 5:44)
- Claim Psalm 35 protection
- 2. **Document Injustice**
 - Like Nehemiah's records (Nehemiah 6:5-9)
 - Seek legal counsel when necessary
- 3. **Trust God's Timing**
 - Vengeance belongs to God (Romans 12:19)
 - Wait for divine justice (Ecclesiastes 3:17)

The Power of Prayer Against Tyranny

Lessons from Acts 12

1. **Corporate Prayer Works**
 - "The church was earnestly praying" (v.5)
2. **Divine Intervention Comes Suddenly**
 - Peter's chains fell off supernaturally (v.7)
3. **God Judges Oppressors**
 - Herod's gruesome death (v.23)

Building a Prayer Culture Before Crisis

1. **Daily Spiritual Discipline**
 - Morning watch habits
 - Scripture meditation
2. **Fasting Routines**
 - Weekly/monthly fasts
 - National crisis fasting
3. **Prophetic Alertness**
 - Discerning spiritual atmospheres
 - Binding evil influences (Matthew 18:18)

Prayer for Divine Protection

"Almighty God, King of kings and Lord of lords, I submit to Your supreme authority today. Where I've failed as a citizen, grant me grace for restitution. When facing unjust treatment, be my defender. Make me a prayer warrior for my nation. Let Your righteousness exalt our land. Expose every Herod-like oppression and deliver Your people miraculously, in Jesus' mighty name. Amen."

Conclusion: Walking in Righteous Boldness

1. **Live Above Reproach**
 - Maintain integrity in all areas
2. **Fear God Alone**

- Human authority is delegated (John 19:11)
- 3. **Pray Continually**
 - Spiritual vigilance protects physically
- 4. **Expect Divine Justice**
 - God remembers His people (Psalm 9:12)

Key Takeaways:

- Clean conscience eliminates fear of authorities
- Prayer is the believer's secret weapon against tyranny
- God judges oppressors who target the righteous
- Daily godliness builds crisis faith
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