

# **Description**

The Open Heaven 28 July 2025 devotional for today is YOUR PRESENT.

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## **OPEN HEAVEN 28 JULY 2025 TODAY DEVOTIONAL**

**TOPIC: YOUR PRESENT** 

#### **MEMORISE**:

See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, Ephesians 5:15

**READ: Genesis 25:27-34** 

- 27 And the boys grew: and Esau was a cunning hunter, a man of the field; and Jacob was a plain man, dwelling in tents.
- 28 And Isaac loved Esau, because he did eat of his venison: but Rebekah loved Jacob.
- 29 And Jacob sod pottage: and Esau came from the field, and he was faint:
- 30 And Esau said to Jacob, Feed me, I pray thee, with that same red pottage; for I am faint: therefore was his name called Edom.
- 31 And Jacob said, Sell me this day thy birthright.
- 32 And Esau said, Behold, I am at the point to die: and what profit shall this birthright do to me?
- 33 And Jacob said, Swear to me this day; and he sware unto him: and he sold his birthright unto Jacob.

34 Then Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of lentiles; and he did eat and drink, and rose up, and went his way: thus Esau despised his birthright.

## RCCG OPEN HEAVEN 28 JULY 2025 TODAY MESSAGE

Today can be regarded as tomorrow's past. Just as your past experiences and choices gave birth to your present, the experiences and choices of today will give birth to your tomorrow. Therefore, you must be mindful of how you live your life today to birth a great future for yourself.

Ephesians 5:15-16 tells us that we should walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time because the days are evil.

In the next verse, the Bible tells us what it means to walk circumspectly. Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is. Ephesians 5:17

To walk circumspectly is to walk in wisdom. It is to allow God's wisdom to fill your heart so you can have a deep understanding of what God's will is and do it.

Esau is an example of someone in the Bible who didn't walk in wisdom, and this affected his future negatively. He was the firstborn son of Isaac and Rebecca, and as the firstborn, he was entitled to his father's blessing.

His future was looking very bright until one day when he went to the field to hunt for meat. He returned home hungry and met his brother, Jacob, cooking. Esau allowed his hunger to becloud his reasoning and accepted Jacob's offer to trade his birthright for a plate of food, as we see in today's Bible reading.

He didn't know that the birthright he carelessly sold was tied to the blessing that was waiting for him in the future. Because he despised his birthright, the blessing fled from him.

You must live in such a way that you don't eat your tomorrow today. Don't be like Esau, who couldn't see beyond his immediate want and allowed a temporary hunger to cause him to lose a permanent blessing.

Another fellow who didn't walk in wisdom and allowed his foolish actions to destroy his future was Reuben. Reuben was the firstborn son of Jacob, and as the firstborn, he had every right to inherit the blessing. However, he was unwise, and he slept with his father's concubine. He allowed his temporary desire to cheat him and his descendants of the great blessing he should have inherited. When his father was about to die, instead of receiving blessings, he and his descendants inherited curses (Genesis 49:3-4).

Beloved, choose to walk in wisdom by living strictly according to the word of God at all times so that you and your children can reap good fruits in the future.

## **OPEN HEAVEN 28 JULY 2025 KEY POINT**

Your actions today will determine the outcome of your life and that of your descendants tomorrow. Live wisely.

### **BIBLE IN ONE YEAR**

Isaiah 47-49

**HYMN 33: GUIDE ME, O THOU GREAT JEHOVAH!** 

## **OPEN HEAVEN DEVOTIONAL 28 JULY 2025 COMMENTARY**

**MEMORISE: Ephesians 5:15** 

"See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise."

This verse serves as a divine warning and invitation—a call to **live with spiritual alertness**, recognizing that every present action carries **eternal consequences**.

## **BIBLE READING: Genesis 25:27-34**

The tragic story of Esau trading his birthright for stew illustrates:

- v.32: "Behold, I am at the point to die: and what profit shall this birthright do to me?"?

  Shortsightedness
- v.34: "Thus Esau despised his birthright"? Spiritual recklessness

## The Weight of Today's Choices on Tomorrow's Destiny

The devotional contrasts **two foolish biblical figures** (Esau and Reuben) to teach us how **present decisions shape future realities**.

- 1. The Folly of Esau: Trading Eternity for Temporality
  - · His Mistake:
    - Prioritized immediate hunger over generational blessing
    - Underestimated the value of his birthright (which included covenant promises)
  - Modern Parallels:

- o Trading sexual purity for momentary pleasure
- o Exchanging prayer time for social media scrolling
- Selling integrity for quick money

### 2. The Failure of Reuben: Sacrificing Legacy for Lust

- His Error (Genesis 35:22; 49:3-4):
  - Allowed temporary desire to destroy his firstborn rights
  - o His descendants (the tribe of Reuben) later became insignificant in Israel
- Contemporary Warnings:
  - Compromising morals for career advancement
  - Neglecting family for business success

## 3. Walking Circumspectly: A Blueprint for Wise Living

Paul's command in Ephesians 5:15-17 reveals three pillars of wisdom:

#### A. Redeem the Time (v.16)

- **Greek:** "Exagorazó" = "to buy back, rescue from loss"
- Action Steps:
  - Audit your daily time expenditures
  - o Replace time-wasters with eternal investments (prayer, Scripture, service)

### B. Understand God's Will (v.17)

- How to Discern:
  - 1. Study Scripture (Psalm 119:105)
  - 2. **Pray for revelation** (James 1:5)
  - 3. Seek godly counsel (Proverbs 11:14)

#### C. Avoid Foolish Choices

- Ask Before Acting:
  - "How will this affect my:
    - Relationship with God?
    - Family legacy?
    - Eternal rewards?"

## **Practical Safeguards for Your Future**

- 1. The 24-Hour Test:
  - Before major decisions, ask: "Will this matter in 24 years?"
- 2. The Legacy Lens:

- View choices through your grandchildren's future (Psalm 78:4-6)
- 3. The "Birthright" Audit:
  - o Identify what's truly valuable in your life (salvation, family, calling) and protect it fiercely

## **Prophetic Declarations**

- "I break every 'Esau spirit' of shortsightedness in my life!"
- "My hands reject temporary gains that sabotage eternal rewards!"
- "Like Joseph, I see future consequences in present choices (Genesis 39:9)!"

## Conclusion: Your Today is Your Tomorrow's Architect

## Pray this:

\*"Father, give me the wisdom of Ephesians 5:15-17. Help me to recognize my 'birthrights' and guard them diligently. Let every choice I make today build a godly legacy, in Jesus' name!"\*

### **Action Steps:**

- 1. Journal your "birthrights" (spiritual gifts, family blessings, divine callings)
- 2. Fast from one time-waster this week (e.g., TV, gossip)
- 3. Mentor someone younger—teach them to avoid Esau's mistake

Remember: A fool lives for now; the wise build for eternity. Your today is writing your children's history—write it well!

"The wise shall inherit glory: but shame shall be the promotion of fools." (Proverbs 3:35). Choose wisdom!

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