



Open Heaven 28 July 2024 Today Devotional: GOOD FOLLOWERSHIP 4

### **Description**

The Open Heaven 28 July 2024 devotional for today is GOOD FOLLOWERSHIP 4.

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## **OPEN HEAVEN 28 JULY 2024 TODAY DEVOTIONAL**

### **TOPIC: GOOD FOLLOWERSHIP 4**

#### **MEMORISE**

**Now I beseech you, brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake, and for the love of the Spirit, that ye strive together with me in your prayers to God for me;**

Romans 15:30

#### **READ: Matthew 26:36-38**

36 Then cometh Jesus with them unto a place called Gethsemane, and saith unto the disciples, Sit ye here, while I go and pray yonder.

37 And he took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be sorrowful and very heavy.

38 Then saith he unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death: tarry ye here, and watch

with me.

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## **RCCG OPEN HEAVEN 28 JULY 2024 TODAY MESSAGE**

As I conclude my teaching on good followership which I started some days ago, it is important to note that no matter how strong leaders may appear to be, they need to be encouraged sometimes by their followers. This is primarily because leadership is full of ups and downs.

During the down moments, encouraging leaders will go a long way in helping them to succeed.

Speaking words of encouragement, sending gifts, and honouring your leaders in whatever way you can, will help them feel encouraged to keep going, despite the burden of leadership.

Many years ago, I felt discouraged. I had resigned from my lucrative lecturing job to become the church's General Overseer and spent almost all my time praying for people and teaching them.

There was a lot of burden on me, yet it seemed no one appreciated my efforts. One day, I was so discouraged and tired of my position as the General Overseer and then I fell asleep in my office.

When I woke up, a young girl was in my office with a cake. She said that God had told her to bring me the cake. I don't really like cakes, but I ate it because I was really touched by her thoughtfulness.

When God lays it in your heart to do something to encourage your leader, please do not hesitate to do it; it may be the difference between the leader giving up or continuing the work.

A good follower will always try to reduce the stress on a leader rather than add to it. Leaders are human beings like you; they face challenges just like you do, and even more as a result of the leadership position they occupy.

You may not be able to totally relieve them of the stress that comes with leadership, but you can encourage them so they don't feel all their effort is a waste, and so they can keep doing more.

Some years ago, I was really down, but what helped me to get up and keep going was the message of one of my daughters in the Lord. She said, "Daddy, let God carry you." Your message may be what God will use to encourage your leader.

When Jesus was close to His crucifixion, He took Peter, James and John to the Garden of Gethsemane to pray alongside Him; He needed their encouragement for the task ahead.

Pray for your leaders. Sometimes, seeing that you are praying for them is the encouragement they need to keep going.

## **OPEN HEAVEN 28 JULY 2024 ACTION POINT**

Send a message or buy a gift for your leader today to encourage them for all the work they do and the burdens they bear.

## **BIBLE IN ONE YEAR**

Isaiah 50-52

## **HYMN 8**

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