

Open Heaven 30 April 2025 Devotional & Commentary

Description

The Open Heaven 30 April 2025 devotional for today is GOD HATES DISUNITY. The author of this daily devotion is Pastor E. A. Adeboye, General Overseer of the Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG).

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OPEN HEAVEN 30 APRIL 2025 TODAY DEVOTIONAL

TOPIC: GOD HATES DISUNITY

MEMORISE

And Jesus knew their thoughts, and said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and every city or house divided against itself shall not stand:

Matthew 12:25

READ: Psalm 133:1-3

Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!

2 It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments;

3 As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there the Lord commanded the blessing, even life for evermore.

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Several scriptures clearly tell us that God hates disunity, and He loves it when His children are united. He said in John 13:35 that it is by showing love to one another that people will recognise us as His disciples. God is so particular about unity that He said that if you come to Him with an offering and remember that your brother has something against you, you must go and reconcile with him before returning to give your offering (Matthew 5:23-24).

God wants His children to be united because He knows that there is little we can achieve individually. He knows that the moment we begin to operate as separate entities, it will be easy for the devil to gain entry into our territories, and we will not be able to do much to stop him.

Ecclesiastes 4:12 says:

And if one prevail against him, two shall withstand him; and a threefold cord is not quickly broken.

There are many Christians and Christian organisations around the world. In fact, Christianity is considered to be the most popular religion in the world. Why, then, are the governments of some nations establishing anti-Christian policies and persecuting Christians? The major reason is that many of us Christians are living in isolation. If we come together and decree a thing, it will surely come to pass. If we can come together and decide to turn the whole world around for Christ, we will be unstoppable.

When you look at all the times that there have been revivals in the past, one major thing you will discover is that a significant part of the body of Christ was united. At the upper room, when the disciples were all in one accord, the Holy Ghost came down, and three thousand souls were saved on that day. The Bible further says in Acts 2:46-47 that the disciples were united and more and more people were added to the church daily.

Look within your local assembly; is there unity among you? Look at the environment where your church is located; is your local assembly working in unity with the other churches in the community? If we can only put aside our differences and come together to form a united front against the devil, we will discover that nothing will be impossible to us.

ACTION POINT:

Pray for the unity of all the churches in your community and the body of Christ as a whole.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

1 Chronicles 5-6

HYMN 59: I WANT TO BE LIKE JESUS

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1. God's Heart for Unity

The devotional for today opens with a foundational truth: **God hates disunity but loves when His children dwell together in harmony** (Psalm 133:1). Scripture repeatedly emphasizes this:

- **John 13:35** – Love among believers proves we are Christ's disciples.
- **Matthew 5:23-24** – God prioritizes reconciliation over ritual worship.
- **Ephesians 4:3** – We are commanded to “*keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.*”

Lesson: *Unity is not optional; it is a mark of genuine Christianity.*

2. The Danger of Division

Jesus warned in **Matthew 12:25** that division leads to destruction. Today's devotional highlights why:

- **Isolation weakens us.** Like a single strand of rope, a lone believer is easily broken (Ecclesiastes 4:12).
- **Division invites demonic attack.** Satan exploits strife to infiltrate families, churches, and nations (1 Peter 5:8).

Example:

- Many nations persecute Christians because the Church is fragmented. If believers united in prayer and purpose, governments would tremble (Acts 4:31-33).

Application:

- Are there unresolved conflicts in your life or church?
 - Do you isolate yourself from other believers?
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3. The Power of Unified Prayer and Action

History proves that **revival follows unity**:

- **Upper Room (Acts 2:1-4, 41)** – The disciples' unity birthed Pentecost.
- **Early Church (Acts 2:46-47)** – Their oneness attracted multitudes to Christ.
- **Modern Revivals** – Movements like the Welsh Revival (1904) began with united prayer.

Key Insight:

Satan fears a united Church.

When Christians stand together:

- **Prayers become unstoppable** (Matthew 18:19).
- **Cultural strongholds crumble** (Joshua 6:1-20).
- **Miracles multiply** (Acts 5:12-16).

Warning:

- Pride, doctrinal disputes, and personal grievances hinder unity (1 Corinthians 1:10-13).
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4. A Call to Practical Unity

The Open Heaven devotional challenges us to:

1. **Examine Our Relationships** – Are we at peace with fellow believers (Romans 12:18)?
2. **Collaborate with Other Churches** – Can local congregations unite for evangelism or community impact?
3. **Pray for Global Unity** – Intercede for persecuted believers and divided denominations.

Example:

- If churches in a city united against crime, poverty, or false ideologies, their collective light would overpower darkness (Matthew 5:14-16).
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5. The Promise of Victory Through Unity

Ecclesiastes 4:12 assures us:

- *“A threefold cord is not quickly broken.”*
- **Christ is the central cord** binding us together (Colossians 3:14).

Prayer:

“Father, break every spirit of division in Your Church. Help us to love as Christ loves, to reconcile quickly, and to unite in prayer and purpose. May our unity confound the enemy and bring revival to our nations, in Jesus’ name. Amen.”

Final Thought

The devil’s strategy is to **divide and conquer**, but God’s strategy is to **unite and empower**. As the early Church turned the world upside down through unity (Acts 17:6), so can we.

Scripture for Meditation:

“Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!” (Psalm 133:1, KJV)

Let us build bridges, not walls, for the glory of God!

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