



Open Heavens 15 August 2026 Today Devotional & Commentary

Description

The Open Heavens 15 August 2026 devotional for today is THE WEIGHT OF COVENANTS II.

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OPEN HEAVENS 15 AUGUST 2026 TODAY DEVOTIONAL

TOPIC: THE WEIGHT OF COVENANTS II

MEMORISE:

Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine:

Exodus 19:5

READ: Matthew 11:28-30

²⁸ Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

²⁹ Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

³⁰ For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

RCCG OPEN HEAVENS 15 AUGUST 2026 TODAY MESSAGE

Holiness is living a life that reflects God's character, and it is the major weight of a covenant with Him.

Anyone who is in a covenant with God must be like Him (1 Peter 1:16), and this requires doing all that He asks. In return, the fellow will get many blessings from Him (Deuteronomy 28:1-14).

Some people think that life will become a bed of roses when they become believers; however, Jesus never promised that. In today's Bible reading, He said that everyone who comes to Him should carry His yoke. This means that being a child of God does not mean that a fellow will not bear any weight of God's covenant, only that the weight will be light and easy to carry with the help of the Holy Spirit.

Philippians 2:13 says. "For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure." God is willing able to fulfil the terms of your covenant with Him if you allow Him.

When you enter into a covenant with God, you will no longer be permitted to do many of the things that unbelievers do. For them, those things may be right, but not for you. Paul said that although all things are lawful, not all things are expedient (1 Corinthians 10:23).

Some people may argue that listening to worldly music is not a sin; however, for someone who has made a covenant with God, it is wrong. Some may dress seductively, but God will not approve of you dressing like that. You will get stricter instructions because of your covenant with God, but He will always empower you to obey Him.

The good news is that if you carry the weight of God's covenant well, you will enjoy its fruits forever.

God entered into a covenant with my Father in the Lord, Pa Josiah Akindayomi and gave him certain conditions, and in return, He said that He would start a church through him that would spread around the world. Thank God Pa Akindayomi met those conditions, and when he passed away, God proceeded to fulfil His part of the covenant.

Beloved, play your own part; carry the light yoke of God's covenant of salvation and see Him move into action to fulfil His part of the covenant by showering you with His blessings. I pray that your life will be filled with God's glorious blessings, in Jesus' name.

PRAYER POINT

Dear Father, please help me to carry the light yoke of your covenant willingly and joyfully. Help me to be holy as You are holy, in Jesus' name.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

Jeremiah 37-39

[Open Heavens HYMN 14: O What A Wonderful, Wonderful Day](#)

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COMMENTARY

MEMORISE: Exodus 19:5

“Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine.”

Holiness is the weight of covenant with God. Obedience sets you apart as His treasured possession. The covenant requires your part but the reward is being chosen above all others.

BIBLE READING: Matthew 11:28-30

Jesus invites the weary and heavy-laden to come to Him for rest. He promises that His yoke is easy and His burden is light. This is not a call to a life of ease, but to a life of partnership with Him where His grace empowers you to carry the weight of covenant.

Holiness: The Weight of Covenant

“Holiness is living a life that reflects God’s character, and it is the major weight of a covenant with Him. Anyone who is in a covenant with God must be like Him (1 Peter 1:16), and this requires doing all that He asks. In return, the fellow will get many blessings from Him (Deuteronomy 28:1-14).”

1 Peter 1:16 “Be ye holy; for I am holy.”

The Weight of Covenant	The Reward of Covenant
Living a life that reflects God’s character	Many blessings (Deuteronomy 28:1-14)
Obedience to His commands	Becoming His peculiar treasure
Holiness and separation	Favor, protection, and provision

The Yoke of Christ: Light, Not Easy

“Some people think that life will become a bed of roses when they become believers; however, Jesus never promised that. In today’s Bible reading, He said that everyone who comes to Him should carry His yoke.”

Matthew 11:29 *Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.*

This means that being a child of God does not mean that a fellow will not bear any weight of God's covenant, only that the weight will be light and easy to carry with the help of the Holy Spirit.

The Yoke of the World	The Yoke of Christ
Heavy, exhausting, burdensome	Light, empowering, restful
Leads to destruction	Leads to rest for your soul
Carried alone	Carried with His help

Philippians 2:13 says: For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.

Your Part	God's Part
Carry the yoke	Works in you to will and to do
Obey His voice	Empowers you to obey
Keep the covenant	Fulfills His promises

The Cost of Covenant: You Can No Longer Do as Unbelievers Do

When you enter into a covenant with God, you will no longer be permitted to do many of the things that unbelievers do. For them, those things may be right, but not for you.

1 Corinthians 10:23 *All things are lawful for me, but all things are not expedient: all things are lawful for me, but all things edify not.*

Unbelievers May	But You, in Covenant,
Listen to worldly music	Must guard what enters your ears
Dress seductively	Must dress modestly and honorably
Live for pleasure	Live for God's glory

Some people may argue that listening to worldly music is not a sin; however, for someone who has made a covenant with God, it is wrong. Some may dress seductively, but God will not approve of you dressing like that.

The Argument	The Covenant Standard
It's not a sin.	Does it honor God?
Everyone does it.	You are not everyone—you are set apart.
I have freedom.	Your freedom is to serve Christ, not the flesh.

â??You will get stricter instructions because of your covenant with God, but He will always empower you to obey Him.â?•

The Fruit of Covenant: Blessings Forever

â??The good news is that if you carry the weight of Godâ??s covenant well, you will enjoy its fruits forever.â?•

Carry the Weight Well	The Result
Obey His voice	Enjoy His blessings
Keep the covenant	Fulfill your destiny
Walk in holiness	Eternity with Him

Daddy Adeboyeâ??s Testimony: Pa Akindayomiâ??s Faithfulness

â??God entered into a covenant with my Father in the Lord, Pa Josiah Akindayomi and gave him certain conditions, and in return, He said that He would start a church through him that would spread around the world. Thank God Pa Akindayomi met those conditions, and when he passed away, God proceeded to fulfil His part of the covenant.â?•

Pa Akindayomiâ??s Part	Godâ??s Part
Met the conditions	Started a church through him
Carried the weight	Spread it around the world
Was faithful	God fulfilled His promise

How to Carry the Covenant Weight Well (Practical Steps)

Based on Daddy Adeboyeâ??s teaching, here is how to carry the light yoke of Christ:

1. Accept That Holiness Is the Weight of Covenant

Do not expect the Christian life to be easy or without cost. The weight is realâ??but it is light because Christ carries it with you.

2. Obey Godâ??s Voice Even When It Is Costly

Pa Akindayomi met the conditions. He did not negotiate. He did not compromise. He obeyed. You must also obeyâ??even when it requires giving up things the world holds dear.

3. Stop Justifying Worldly Behavior

Do not say, “It’s not a sin” when God’s word says it is unholy. Do not argue about what is permissible. Ask instead: “Does this honor my covenant with God?”

4. Depend on the Holy Spirit for Empowerment

You cannot carry the weight of holiness in your own strength. The Holy Spirit works in you to will and to do God’s good pleasure. Rely on Him daily.

5. Trust God to Fulfill His Part

When you carry your part of the covenant, God will carry His. He is faithful. He will not break His promise. You will enjoy the fruits of your covenant forever.

Warning: The Covenant Requires Your Part

Daddy Adeboye’s devotional carries an urgent encouragement: you cannot receive the blessings without carrying the weight. You cannot enjoy the fruit without bearing the yoke.

If You Do Not Carry the Weight

You miss the blessings
You live like the world
You refuse to obey

The Result

The covenant is broken on your side
You lose your identity as His peculiar treasure
God cannot fulfill His part

Conclusion: Your Prayer for Grace to Carry the Weight

Daddy Adeboye closes with a prayer that your life will be filled with God’s glorious blessings. Carry your part. Carry the yoke. And watch God move.

Pray this:

“Lord Jesus, I thank You for the covenant You have made with me. I accept the weight of holiness that comes with it. I will not live like the world. I will not justify sin. I will obey Your voice. I will carry Your yoke—for Your yoke is easy and Your burden is light. Help me by Your Holy Spirit to will and to do what pleases You. I trust You to fulfill Your part of the covenant. Let me be Your peculiar treasure. Let me enjoy Your blessings. And let my life bring glory to Your name. In Jesus’ mighty name.”

Action Steps:

1. **The Covenant Check:** Are there any areas where you are living like the world while claiming to be in covenant with God? Identify them. Repent. Realign.
2. **The Yoke Acceptance:** Instead of complaining about the weight of holiness, embrace it. Say: *“This is my covenant with God. I will carry it with His help.”*
3. **The Empowerment Prayer:** Daily, ask the Holy Spirit to work in you to will and to do what pleases God. Do not rely on your own strength.

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