

Open Heaven 24 December 2025 Today Devotional & Commentary

Description

The Open Heaven 24 December 2025 devotional for today is **LET GOD BE YOUR FATHER.**

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TOPIC: LET GOD BE YOUR FATHER

MEMORISE:
And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.
2 Corinthians 6:18

READ: Galatians 4:4-7:
4 But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law,
5 To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.
6 And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.
7 Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

RCCG OPEN HEAVEN 24 DECEMBER 2025 TODAY MESSAGE

In Matthew 15:21-28, Jesus said, â??I cannot give the childrenâ??s bread to dogs.â?• This means that a person is either Godâ??s child or a dog. Children have fathers, while dogs have masters. Children can walk up to their fathers anytime to ask questions and make requests, but dogs cannot.

While a child can sit with his or her father on the dining table to eat, a dog usually sits under the table to eat crumbs. Such dogs will go hungry if there are no crumbs. If you have not yet surrendered your heart to Jesus, you are not yet Godâ??s child, and now is the best time to turn to Him and allow Him to become your Father.

God has numerous names; He is the King of kings and Lord of lords (Revelation 19:16), He is the Almighty (Job 23:16), and He is the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last (Revelation 22:13). Despite all His names, when Jesus taught us to pray in Luke 11:1-2, He said that we should start by saying, â??Our Fatherâ?•.

The name God loves to be called the most is Father. As Father, God is our source and sustainer; He is our helper. No responsible father will see his children suffering and leave them to continue to suffer.

When I was a child, I often followed my father to his farm. We always had to cross a particular river on our way back, and occasionally, the river overflowed its banks. Whenever this happened, it would sweep the bridge that was built across the river away.

On one occasion that this happened, my father picked me up and carried me across the river on his shoulders because I was too small to walk on the riverbed and not be swept away by the currents. While he was walking through the river, I was playing with the water because I was on his shoulder. If an earthly father can do everything to protect his child, how much more our heavenly Father?

Beloved, if you are already a child of God and are experiencing challenges that are currently testing your faith, hold on to God; He is a loving Father, and He will surely see you through and bring you to an expected end (Jeremiah 29:11).

If you are, however, yet to surrender your life to Him and you want to experience His special love and care, then accept His invitation to become His child today, and you too will enjoy peace on all sides, in Jesusâ?? name.

REFLECTION

Is God really your Father? Have you surrendered your life to Him?

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

2 John l; 3 John l; Jude 1

HYMN 13: Jesus loves me! This I know

OPEN HEAVEN DEVOTIONAL 24 DECEMBER 2025 COMMENTARY

MEMORISE: 2 Corinthians 6:18
â??And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.â?• This is the ultimate promise of the New Covenant. The Almighty God, the transcendent Creator, makes an intimate, relational pledge to those who separate themselves for Him. He does not merely promise to be a benefactor or king, but a *Father*. This adoption is the highest privilege of redemption, granting us the rights, intimacy, and inheritance of true children.

BIBLE READING: Galatians 4:4-7
This passage details the theological mechanics of our adoption:
v.4-5: The Action of Redemption â?? *â??God sent forth his Sonâ?¦ To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.â?•* Christâ??s work purchased our legal standing as sons.
v.6: The Evidence of Adoption â?? *â??And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.â?•* The indwelling Holy Spirit is the seal and the inner witness, prompting our intimate cry to God.
v.7: The Result â?? *â??Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.â?•* Our identity shifts from slaves under law to sons under grace, with a guaranteed inheritance.

The Supreme Privilege of Sonship

Pastor E.A. Adeboye uses the poignant analogy from Matthew 15 to draw a stark, eternal line between two identities: *child* or *dog*. The devotional elevates the truth that of all Godâ??s magnificent titles, â??Fatherâ?• is the one He cherishes most in relationship with us. It is a call to move from the outer courts of servitude to the inner chamber of family intimacy.

1. The Two Identities: Child vs. Dog

The Childâ??s Privilege:

- **Access:** A child can approach the father *anytime* with questions and requests. This speaks to unlimited prayer and fellowship (Hebrews 4:16).
- **Position:** A child sits *at the table*, partaking of the full mealâ??the â??childrenâ??s bread.â?• This represents the full inheritance, promises, and provision of God.
- **Relationship:** Defined by love, communication, and shared life.

The Dogâ??s Limitation:

- **No Access:** A dog relates to a master, not a father. The relationship is distant, based on command and performance.
- **Position:** Under the table, dependent on *crumbs*â??the leftovers of grace. This is a life of spiritual scarcity, surviving on occasional blessings without secure promise.
- **Vulnerability:** *â??Will go hungry if there are no crumbs.â?•* Their sustenance is uncertain and conditional.

2. The Father-Heart of God

The Name Above All Names to Him:
Among His sovereign titles (Almighty, King of kings), Jesus taught us to lead with *â??Our Fatherâ?•* (Luke 11:2). This reveals Godâ??s deepest desireâ??not to be feared from a distance as a potentate, but to be known intimately as a loving Parent. This is the heart of the gospel.

The Nature of a Responsible Father:

- **Source and Sustainer:** He is the origin of our life and its continual support.
- **Helper in Suffering:** *â??No responsible father will see his children suffering and leave them.â?•* Our earthly struggles are not ignored; they activate His compassionate intervention (Psalm 103:13).
- **Protector:** The personal story of Pastor Adeboyeâ??s father carrying him across the flooded river is a powerful earthly shadow of our heavenly Fatherâ??s care. In the dangerous currents of life (illness, lack, despair), He carries us on His shoulders. We can have peace and even â??playâ?• in the midst of turmoil because our security is in His strength, not our environment.

3. The Pathway and Proof of Sonship

The Invitation to Become a Child:
For the unbeliever, the call is to *â??surrender your heart to Jesus.â?•* This is not about religion, but a relational transaction where you accept His sacrifice and are adopted into the family (John 1:12).

The Assurance for the Child in Crisis:
For the believer facing faith-testing challenges, the command is to *â??hold on to God.â?•* The basis is not the circumstance, but His unchanging character as a *â??loving Father.â?•* His promise is to bring you through to the *â??expected endâ?•* of Jeremiah 29:11â??a future of hope and peace.

The Inner Witness:
As Galatians 4:6 explains, the proof is the Holy Spirit within, causing us to cry *â??Abba, Father.â?•* This is the instinctual, trusting cry of a child to a beloved parent, especially in times of need.

How to Live in the Reality of Your Sonship

1. Address God Primarily as â??Fatherâ?•:
Reform your prayer life. Begin every prayer with this intimate address. Let it shape your expectations from fear-based pleading to confident communion.

2. Claim Your Place at the Table:
Reject a â??crumb mentality.â?• In prayer, boldly ask for and expect the â??childrenâ??s breadâ?• â??the full provision, healing, and wisdom God has for His kids. You are not begging for leftovers.

3. Trust the Carry in the Current:
When you are in overwhelming situations, visualize your Heavenly Father carrying you on His shoulders. Your prayer becomes, â??Father, I cannot navigate this on my own. Carry me through.â?• This posture replaces panic with peace.

4. Share the Invitation:
Understand that those outside of Christ are not just â??sinnersâ?• but spiritual orphans. Share the gospel as the good news of adoption into a loving family, not just escape from judgment.

Warning: The Peril of Rejecting Sonship

To remain outside of Christ is to choose the identity of a â??dogâ?•â??spiritually homeless, without promise, living on the unpredictable scraps of lifeâ??s circumstances. It is to forfeit the inheritance, protection, and intimate love reserved for children. It is the ultimate poverty.

Conclusion: Coming Home to the Fatherâ??s Embrace

Pray this:
â??Abba, Father, I come to You today. I reject the identity of a spiritual orphan. I receive Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior, and I embrace my adoption into Your family. Thank You for being my source, my sustainer, and my protector. When challenges come, remind my heart that I am Your child, seated at Your table and carried on Your shoulders. Let Your Fatherly love guide and keep me all the days of my life, in Jesusâ?? name. Amen.â?•

Action Steps:

- **Meditate on the â??Abbaâ?• Cry:** Spend time in quiet prayer, letting the Holy Spirit stir within you the childlike cry of â??Abba, Father.â?• Let it be a prayer without words, a posture of trust.
- **Study the Fatherâ??s Love:** Read and reflect on the Parable of the Prodigal Son (Luke 15:11-32). Note the fatherâ??s character: watching, running, embracing, restoring.
- **Write Your Adoption Certificate:** On a card, write: â??I am a son/daughter of the Almighty God (2 Corinthians 6:18). I have access. I have a place at the table. I am carried.â?• Place it where you will see it daily.

Remember: Your highest identity is not sinner, not servant, not sufferer–but *son*, *daughter*. The King of kings wants you to call Him Daddy. Live in that shocking, glorious intimacy today.
â??Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of Godâ?• (1 John 3:1). You are called. Believe it, and live like it.

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