

Open Heaven 26 December 2025 Today Devotional & Commentary

Description

The Open Heaven 26 December 2025 devotional for today is **LET GOD MAKE YOU I.**

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TOPIC: LET GOD MAKE YOU I

MEMORISE:
And Jesus said unto them, Come ye after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men.
Mark 1:17

READ: Luke 15:11-24:
11 And he said, A certain man had two sons:
12 And the younger of them said to his father, Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth to me. And he divided unto them his living.
13 And not many days after the younger son gathered all together, and took his journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living.
14 And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that land; and he began to be in want.
15 And he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country; and he sent him into his fields to feed swine.

16 And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat: and no man gave unto him.

17 And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my fatherâ??s have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger!
18 I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee,
19 And am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants.
20 And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him.

21 And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.
22 But the father said to his servants, Bring forth the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet:
23 And bring hither the fatted calf, and kill it; and let us eat, and be merry:
24 For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they began to be merry.

RCCG OPEN HEAVEN 26 DECEMBER 2025 TODAY MESSAGE

Todayâ??s Bible reading tells us about a young man who was very comfortable in his fatherâ??s house and had nothing to worry about until he probably started listening to the wrong voices.

He became discontent and demanded his share of the inheritance from his father. When people begin to listen to the wrong voices, they often start making wrong decisions. You must always ensure that you listen to the right voice â?? Godâ??s voice. To know how God speaks and the things He says, you must read and understand His word. Only those who constantly read and meditate on Godâ??s word will escape the deception of these end times.

When the prodigal son was leaving his fatherâ??s house, he said, â??Father, give meâ?¦â?• His request landed him far away from his father, and even though he seemed to enjoy himself for a while after that, his happiness did not last. He soon became poor, and since he was in a strange land, he suffered greatly.

Thankfully, the prodigal son came to his senses and realised that he could not make himself, meaning that he needed his father to succeed in life. He was in a haste to be made, but he needed to let his father take him through the right process. God is a God of process, and He always wants to make His children whom He desires them to be.

Whenever a chef is making a meal, the process is not usually as attractive as the end product. For instance, the heating process is usually unpleasant. However, the ingredients that endure the heat will become fit to grace a kingâ??s table. Those that donâ??t go in the fire usually end up as trash or food for pests.

When God was making Moses, He made him stay in the desert for forty years, tending to his father-in-lawâ??s flock (Exodus 3:1). It couldnâ??t have been a pleasant experience for a man who had lived in the palace all his life, but the process helped to shape him into a tough leader who could confront Pharaoh, a man considered as the most powerful king on earth at the time.

Jesus called His disciples to make them (Mark 1:17). When He was done making them, the Pharisees and religious leaders marvelled because even though they were unlearned, they had become a wonder (Acts 4:13).

Beloved, surrender yourself completely to God and let Him make you. When He is done, you will become a wonder to your family, friends, and the world at large.

REFLECTION

Are you fully surrendered to Godâ??s process?

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

Revelation 4-7

HYMN 8: I Need Thee Every Hour

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MEMORISE: Mark 1:17
â??And Jesus said unto them, Come ye after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men.â?• This is the call to discipleship, framed as a transformative process. Jesus does not say, â??Come, and you already are,â?• but *â??I will make you to become.â?•* It is a promise of a journey from raw material to finished product, from a current identity to a destined purpose. The initiative (â??Comeâ?•) and the power (â??I will makeâ?•) are His; our role is to follow and submit to the making.

BIBLE READING: Luke 15:11-24
This is the quintessential parable of redemption and restoration through process:
v.11-13: The Rebellion â?? Driven by discontent and impatience, the son demands his inheritance (seeking the result without the relationship) and leaves.
v.14-16: The Ruin â?? The â??enjoymentâ?• is short-lived. He exhausts his resources and descends into abject poverty and humiliation.
v.17-19: The Repentance â?? *â??He came to himself.â?•* True repentance begins with clarity of thought: recognizing his need, his fatherâ??s provision, and his unworthiness.
v.20-24: The Restoration â?? The fatherâ??s unconditional love receives him, but note: the restoration to *sonship* is immediate; the restoration to *mature stewardship* is a process implied by the robe, ring, and sandalsâ??symbols of a new identity to grow into.

The Divine Process of Being Made

Pastor E.A. Adeboye delves into the often-difficult but purposeful journey God takes each believer through. Using the prodigal son and Moses as primary examples, he teaches that God is less interested in giving us quick, inherited blessings and more committed to *making us* into vessels fit for His purpose and glory. The shortcut leads to ruin; the process leads to wonder.

1. The Folly of the Shortcut: Demanding the Inheritance

Listening to the Wrong Voice:
The prodigal sonâ??s downfall began with listening to voices (likely internal lusts and external temptations) that bred discontent with his fatherâ??s house. This highlights the critical need to filter every influence through Godâ??s Word to avoid deception.

The â??Give Meâ?• Mentality:
His demand, *â??Father, give meâ?¦â?•* represents a faith that wants the benefits of sonship without the submission, relationship, and process that mature a son. It is a consumer approach to God. This mentality always leads *â??far awayâ?•* from the fatherâ??s presence, even if it initially feels like freedom.

The Illusion of Independence:
He wanted to â??make himself.â?• His journey proved the lie of human self-sufficiency. His destinationâ??feeding pigs, a picture of utter defilement and despair for a Jewâ??reveals the end of every path of independence from God.

2. The Necessity and Nature of Godâ??s Process

The Chefâ??s Analogy: The Unpleasant Heat:
The cooking process, especially the fire, is not enjoyable for the ingredients, but it is essential to transform them from raw to refined, from ordinary to *â??fit to grace a kingâ??s table.â?•* The fire of trials, waiting, and humbling circumstances is not meant to destroy us, but to develop flavor, resilience, and usefulness in us. What refuses the fire remains trash.

The Moses Model: The Desert of Preparation:
Mosesâ?? 40 years in the desert, shepherding another manâ??s flock, was the polar opposite of his first 40 years in Pharaohâ??s palace. This was the â??fireâ?• that burned away his self-reliance, anger, and Egyptian identity, shaping him into a *â??tough leaderâ?•* humble enough to be used by God. The desert was not a detour; it was the essential curriculum.

The Discipleâ??s Journey: From â??Comeâ?• to â??Becomeâ?•:
Jesus called ordinary, unlearned men and spent years teaching, correcting, and modeling life for them. The process transformed them so utterly that the religious elite *â??marvelledâ?•* and recognized they *â??had been with Jesusâ?•* (Acts 4:13). The making produced wonders.

3. The Turning Point: Coming to Yourself

The Realization of Need:
The prodigalâ??s breakthrough came when he *â??realised that he could not make himself.â?•* True spiritual progress begins with the death of the â??self-madeâ?• delusion. It is the admission: *â??I need my Father to succeed in life.â?•*

The Return to Process:
His decision to return was a decision to re-enter the fatherâ??s processâ??even if it meant starting as a servant. He surrendered his timeline and agenda. This is the posture God requires: complete surrender.

How to Submit to Godâ??s Making

1. Identify and Reject the â??Give Meâ?• Spirit:
Audit your prayers. Are they dominated by demands for blessings, or by surrender to His shaping? Repent of impatience and a consumerist faith.

2. Embrace Your Current â??Desertâ?• or â??Fireâ?•:
Ask God to reveal the purpose in your current difficult season. Is it teaching you dependence? Burning away pride? Developing patience? Cooperate with Him in it. Donâ??t pray merely for escape, but for transformation.

3. Trust the Chef:
Believe that God, as the masterful Chef, knows the exact temperature and duration needed to make you a kingly dish. Your job is to stay in the pot.

4. Value the Making Over the Inheritance:
Desire the character, authority, and Christlikeness that come from the process more than the material or ministerial rewards. The â??makingâ?• is the real inheritance.

Warning: The Trash Heap of the Unprocessed

The ingredients that jump out of the pot to avoid the heat end up as *â??trash or food for pests.â?•* This is the fate of believers who abandon Godâ??s process due to pain, boredom, or pride. They retain a raw, unrefined character, vulnerable to the enemy and unfit for the high calling of God.

Conclusion: Yielding to the Masterâ??s Hands

Pray this:
â??Father in heaven, forgive me for the times I have demanded my inheritance like a hireling instead of submitting as a son. I surrender completely to Your making process. I accept the desert and the fire as necessary for my transformation. Shape me, break me, and rebuild me into the vessel of wonder You have destined me to be. I trust Your timing and Your methods. Make me a fisher of men, for Your glory. In Jesusâ?? name, Amen.â?•

Action Steps:

- **Journal the Process:** Write down your current â??desertâ?• or â??fireâ?• circumstance. Beside it, write: â??What is God wanting to â??makeâ?? in me through this?â?• Pray over it daily.

- **Study a â??Madeâ?• Life:** Study Josephâ??s process (Genesis 37-50). Note the pits, prisons, and delays, and how each equipped him for leadership.
- **Express Surrender:** Perform a tangible act of surrender this week (e.g., fast from something you cling to, serve in a hidden capacity). Accompany it with the prayer: â??Lord, I yield to Your making.â?•

Remember: God is not just giving you things; He is making you into someone. The son who was welcomed back still had to learn how to wear the ring, walk in the sandals, and honor the robe. Your story is one of becoming.
â??Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christâ?• (Philippians 1:6). He will finish what He started. Let Him make you.

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