

Open Heaven 4 April 2025 Today Devotional & Commentary

Description

The Open Heaven 4 April 2025 devotional for today is **LIKE THE DAY OF PENTECOST IV**. 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 4 APRIL 2025 TODAY DEVOTIONAL

TOPIC: LIKE THE DAY OF PENTECOST IV

MEMORISE

Let the nigh praises or God be in their mouth, and a two-edged sword in their hand;

Psalm 149:6

READ: Jeremiah 30:18-22

18 Thus saith the Lord; Behold, I will bring again the captivity of Jacob's tents, and have mercy on his dwellingplaces; and the city shall be builded upon her own heap, and the palace shall remain after the manner thereof.

19 And out of them shall proceed thanksgiving and the voice of them that make merry: and I will multiply them, and they shall not be few; I will also glorify them, and they shall not be small.

20 Their children also shall be as aforetime, and their congregation shall be established before me, and I will punish all that oppress them.

21 And their nobles shall be of themselves, and their governor shall proceed from the midst of them; and I will cause him to draw near, and he shall approach unto me: for who is this that engaged his heart to approach unto me? saith the Lord.

22 And ye shall be my people, and I will be your God.

RCCG OPEN HEAVEN 4 APRIL 2025 TODAY MESSAGE

In continuation of my discussion about the significance of the events of the day of Pentecost, I want to point out that those who listened to the disciples after they had been filled with the Holy Ghost said. "We hear them praising the good works of God in our various languages" (Acts 2:1-12). This means that there must be constant thanksgiving and praise to God if we want to experience a mighty move of the Holy Spirit in the body of Christ today

When we meet to pray concerning our needs, God will show up. However, when we meet just to Thank him and acknowledge his greatness, He will manifest in a powerful way, and there will be a revival; miracles will become commonplace in our midst. and there will be many testimonies.

Years ago, I promised to visit one of the RCCG elders and told him I would spend just five minutes with him. Before I arrived, he had beautiful hymns and praise songs playing because he had observed that I am always humming songs of praise to God. I didn't know when I spent one hour with him because I was enjoying the music. If you are God's child and He always hears praises around you, He will definitely stay with you. God inhabits the praises of His people (Psalm 22:3); He comes wherever He is exalted and extolled.

People who complain and murmur cannot host God's presence. When the Israelites murmured, it displeased God, and at some point, His fire fell among them. Unlike the tongues of fire on the day of Pentecost, this fire burnt and consumed them (Numbers 11:1).

When Paul and Silas were imprisoned, instead of complaining, they started praising God. God came into the prison and caused a great earthquake such that the foundations were shaken (Acts 16:25-26). When you praise God amidst difficulties, He brings solutions that men cannot deny, giving you blessings that extend to those around you. When the prison was shaken, all the doors were opened, and everyone's bands were loosed.

Beloved, surrender your life to Jesus Christ if you haven't done so and choose to live a life of praise. The Holy Spirit will dwell in you and manifest mightily around you. He will liberate you if you are in any

form of bondage and bless you so much that the blessings will be evident in your life and in the lives of everyone connected to you.

ACTION POINT:

Praise and thank God for 30 minutes. Don't ask for anything; just praise and thank Him.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

2 Samuel 12-13

HYMN 17: PRAISE MY SOUL THE KING OF HEAVEN

OPEN HEAVEN DEVOTIONAL 4 APRIL 2025 COMMENTARY

1. Pentecost and the Language of Praise

The Open Heaven devotional for today begins by highlighting **the first fruit of the Holy Spirit's outpouring**: *"We hear them... praising the good works of God"* (Acts 2:11). This reveals:

- **Praise is the native language of Spirit-filled believers.**
- **Miracles follow environments saturated with thanksgiving** (Psalm 67:5-6).

Key Insight:

- The disciples weren't preaching at Pentecost. They were **praising**, and this drew multitudes (Acts 2:6).

Application:

? **Prioritize praise over petitions** in personal and corporate worship.
? **Use Scripture** (e.g., Psalm 103) to fuel your praise.

2. Praise: The Magnet for God's Manifest Presence

Today's devotional contrasts two divine encounters:

1. **Prayer Meetings (Needs-Focused):**
 - *"God will show up."*
2. **Praise Gatherings (God-Focused):**
 - *"He will manifest powerfully... miracles become commonplace."*

Biblical Examples:

- **Paul and Silas** (Acts 16:25-26): Praise triggered a jailbreak.
- **Jehoshaphat’s Army** (2 Chronicles 20:21-22): Praise confused the enemy.

Modern Testimony (Daddy Adeboye’s Story):

- The elder’s strategic worship music extended a 5-minute visit to an hour—**God “inhabits” praise** (Psalm 22:3).

Action Step:

? **Create a “praise atmosphere” at home/work with worship music.**

3. The Danger of Murmuring

The devotional for today warns:

- **Complaints repel God’s presence** (Numbers 11:1 – Israel’s fiery judgment).
- **Praise invites deliverance** (Jeremiah 30:19 – God turns mourning to joy).

Key Contrast:

Murmuring	Praise
Focuses on problems	Focuses on God's greatness
Invites judgment	Releases breakthrough
Isolates	Unites (like Pentecost)

Prayer:

“Lord, uproot every root of complaining in me. Fill my mouth with high praises!”

4. Praise as Spiritual Warfare

Psalm 149:6 connects **praise and the “two-edged sword” (God’s Word)**. This signifies:

- **Praise is a weapon** that:
 - Looses chains (Acts 16:26).
 - Confounds enemies (Psalm 8:2).
- **Satan flees from worship** (James 4:7).

Practical Warfare Strategy:

1. **Identify a “prison” (bondage) in your life.**
 2. **Praise God specifically for His power over it.**
 3. **Declare Scripture** (e.g., Psalm 107:14 – *“He broke my chains”*).
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5. A Call to Lifestyle Praise

The devotional closes with an invitation:

1. **For Unbelievers:**
 - *“Surrender to Christ”* ? Receive the Spirit’s indwelling (Acts 2:38).
2. **For Believers:**
 - *“Choose praise”* ? Unlock liberation and overflow (Jeremiah 30:19).

Prophetic Promise:

- Your praise will **bless others** (like the prisoners freed in Acts 16).
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Final Thought: Your Praise Triggers Their Breakthrough

At Pentecost, **praise preceded harvest** (Acts 2:41). Likewise:

- **Your worship could soften hearts for salvation.**
- **Your thanksgiving could release someone else’s miracle.**

“Don’t just pray about your prison – praise your way out of it, and watch the walls crumble!”

Action Steps:

1. **Start each day with 10 minutes of pure praise** (no requests).
2. **Share a testimony of praise-induced breakthrough** this week.
3. **Study** the prayers of Paul (mostly thanksgiving – Philippians 1:3).

“A praising life is a powerful life – because it’s a God-inhabited life!”

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