Open Heaven 9 June 2025 Today Devotional & Commentary

Description

The Open Heaven 9 June 2025 devotional for today is CLEAVE AS ONE I.

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OPEN HEAVEN 9 JUNE 2025 TODAY DEVOTIONAL

TOPIC: CLEAVE AS ONE I

MEMORISE:

Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh. Genesis 2:24

READ: Proverbs 5:15-21

15 Drink waters out of thine own cistern, and running waters out of thine own well.

16 Let thy fountains be dispersed abroad, and rivers of waters in the streets.

17 Let them be only thine own, and not strangers' with thee.

18 Let thy fountain be blessed: and rejoice with the wife of thy youth.

19 Let her be as the loving hind and pleasant roe; let her breasts satisfy thee at all times; and be thou ravished always with her love.

20 And why wilt thou, my son, be ravished with a strange woman, and embrace the bosom of a

RCCG OPEN HEAVEN 9 JUNE 2025 TODAY MESSAGE

We live in a fast-paced world where many people are chasing wealth and riches at all costs. As a result, many marriages are suffering. In some cases, a husband works in a different state or country while the rest of his family lives in another state or country. Long distance courtships have existed for a long time, but now, we have long-distance marriages. In truth, however, a long-distance marriage isn't healthy for any family. A couple can have a short-term arrangement for them to be apart for unavoidable reasons, but this should not be for long.

Many cases of infidelity in marriage result from the absence of one spouse. Sometimes, even married couples that live together practice long-distance marriages. This might be because one spouse leaves for work very early in the morning and gets back very late at night. Such couples are living separate lives, and one or both of the spouses are likely to form connections with the people they spend most of their time with in their spouse's absence. Such connections can turn into ungodly affairs.

As a married fellow, if you notice that you prefer talking to other people than talking to your spouse, there is fire on the mountain.

When you prefer spending time outside your home rather than with your spouse, there is trouble. When you prefer discussing intimate issues with your 'friends' of the opposite sex instead of your spouse, you should retrace your steps and work on fixing whatever issues that exist in your marriage.

Don't deceive yourself by saying, "I'm not doing anything with that fellow; we are just friends." Most extra-marital relationships start from casual friendships, and after a while, the devil introduces temptations that can lead to sinful acts. I pray that you will overcome any temptation that can destroy your marriage, in Jesus' name.

If you're married, spend more time with your spouse and make him or her your confidant. Go out to fun places and take frequent walks together. At least once a month, dress up and go on a date. Book a hotel room or a private lodge for a weekend at least once every year so you can spend quality time with your spouse, away from all distractions.

After your relationship with God, your relationship with your spouse is the most important in your life because God has designed you both to become one, as today's memory verse points out. Be intentional about cleaving to your spouse, and God will bless your marriage, in Jesus' name.

OPEN HEAVEN 9 JUNE 2025 KEY POINT

Married people should be intentional about spending quality time with their spouses.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

Psalms 22-27

HYMN 34: YIELD NOT TO TEMPTATION

OPEN HEAVEN DEVOTIONAL 9 JUNE 2025 COMMENTARY

The Danger of Emotional and Physical Distance in Marriage

In today's fast-paced world, many couples prioritize career and financial success over their marriages, leading to what the devotional calls "**long-distance marriages.**" Whether separated by geography or emotional neglect, such distance creates vulnerability to temptation and weakens God's design for marital unity.

1. The Problem of Long-Distance Marriages

A. Physical Separation (Living Apart)

- Reality: Many couples live in different cities/countries for work, education, or other reasons.
- Risk:
 - $\circ\,$ Loneliness and emotional voids develop.
 - $\circ\,$ The devil exploits absence to introduce temptation (1 Corinthians 7:5).
- Solution:
 - Avoid long-term separation where possible.
 - If unavoidable, set clear boundaries and maintain frequent communication.

B. Emotional Separation (Living Together but Distant)

- **Reality:** Some couples share a home but live separate lives due to:
 - Overworking (leaving early, returning late).
 - Neglecting quality time.
 - Preferring others' company over their spouse.
- Risk:
 - Emotional affairs develop with coworkers or "friends."
 - $\circ~$ Intimacy declines, leading to dissatisfaction.
- Solution:
 - $\circ\,$ Prioritize daily connection (e.g., meals together, bedtime talks).

• Limit workaholic tendencies (Ecclesiastes 4:9-10).

2. Warning Signs of a Failing Marriage

The devotional highlights red flags that indicate danger:

- Preferring conversations with others over your spouse.
 Your spouse should be your best friend and confidant.
- 2. Avoiding home to spend time elsewhere.
 - If you'd rather be anywhere but with your spouse, **repair is needed.**
- 3. Discussing intimate issues with opposite-sex "friends."
 - This is the first step toward emotional adultery.

Biblical Response:

- "Flee fornication" (1 Corinthians 6:18).
- "Make no provision for the flesh" (Romans 13:14).

3. How to Strengthen Your Marriage

A. Spend Intentional Time Together

- 1. Weekly Dates Dress up, go out, and reconnect.
- 2. Annual Getaways A weekend alone (Song of Solomon 7:11-12).
- 3. Daily Walks/Talks No phones, just bonding.

B. Guard Against Emotional Affairs

- Avoid:
 - Private chats with the opposite sex.
 - Complaining about your spouse to others.
- Replace:
 - Share struggles with godly mentors (same sex) or a counselor.

C. Prioritize Spiritual Unity

- Pray together daily.
- Attend church and Bible studies as a couple.

4. The Divine Design for Marriage (Genesis 2:24)

God's plan is **oneness**—physically, emotionally, and spiritually.

- Leave Break unhealthy outside dependencies.
- Cleave Commit fully to your spouse.
- Become One Grow together in purpose and love.

Key Principle:

- Marriage is more important than career, money, or personal ambitions.
- A strong marriage **blesses generations** (Malachi 2:15).

Prayer for Marital Protection

"Father, protect our marriage from distance, distraction, and temptation. Help us prioritize our union, communicate daily, and cleave to each other as You designed. Fill our home with love, joy, and Your presence, in Jesus' name. Amen."

Conclusion: Choose Closeness Over Distance

- 1. Reject long-distance living unless absolutely necessary.
- 2. Invest time daily in your spouse.
- 3. Flee from compromising friendships.
- 4. Cleave to your spouse as God commands.

Final Challenge:

- Husbands/Wives: Schedule a date night this week.
- Long-distance couples: Plan the next reunion today.
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