

Open Heavens 22 April 2026 Today Devotional & Commentary

Description

The Open Heavens 22 April 2026 devotional for today is **REVERSING SHAME.**

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TOPIC: REVERSING SHAME

MEMORISE
Behold, at that time I will undo all that afflict thee: and I will save her that halteth, and gather her that was driven out; and I will get them praise and fame in every land where they have been put to shame. Zephaniah 3:12

READ: John 2:1-11

1 And the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee; and the mother of Jesus was there:
2 And both Jesus was called, and his disciples, to the marriage.
3 And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto him, They have no wine.
4 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, what have I to do with thee? mine hour is not yet come.
5 His mother saith unto the servants, Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it.

6 And there were set there six waterpots of stone, after the manner of the purifying of the Jews, containing two or three firkins apiece.
7 Jesus saith unto them, Fill the waterpots with water. And they filled them up to the brim.
8 And he saith unto them, Draw out now, and bear unto the governor of the feast. And they bare it.

9 When the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and knew not whence it was: (but the servants which drew the water knew;) the governor of the feast called the bridegroom,

10 And saith unto him, Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine; and when men have well drunk, then that which is worse: but thou hast kept the good wine until now.
11 This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his glory; and his disciples believed on him.

RCCG OPEN HEAVEN 22 APRIL 2026 TODAY MESSAGE

Sometime ago, a woman came to the church, saying, â??Please, help me, I donâ??t know what to do.

My husband keeps wandering aimlessly at night without being in full control of his senses.â?• We led her to Christ and prayed with her. Shortly after, she was promoted at her workplace and got a new car.

As she couldnâ??t drive, she begged her husband to drive her to church so that her pastor could bless the car. He agreed and told her that he would only drive to the church premises, but he wouldnâ??t enter the building. He did so and sat in the car while his wife entered the church building. As he sat in the car, he could hear the sermon being preached.

After some time, an altar call was made, and he went inside the church to gave his life to Christ.

Some weeks later, the devil attacked him while he was driving to work. He lost his senses immediately and began to drive around aimlessly until the Holy Spirit took control and instructed him to drive to the church. When he got to the church and stepped out of the car, people could tell immediately that something was wrong with him. They sprang into action and helped him into the church. We prayed for him, and God took control of the situation. God knew beforehand that trouble was coming for the man, and if he hadnâ??t become born again, he would have gone mad. Therefore, He arranged for a place where he could turn to in the day of trouble. I pray that every plan of shame the enemy has arranged for you will be cancelled today, in Jesusâ?? name.

In todayâ??s Bible reading, a couple was getting married, and Jesus was invited to the feast.

Everything was going well until they ran out of wine. They had not even started their lives together, but they were already experiencing a crisis and were on the verge of being put to shame.

Thankfully, Jesus turned what would have resulted in shame into honour, as they later had more than enough good wine to serve their guests.

Beloved, Romans 10:11 says that whosoever believes in God will not be ashamed. If you are currently in a shameful situation, put your trust in God and cry out to Him. He will heed your cry and turn your shame into a testimony, in Jesusâ?? name.

KEY POINT:

Father, please never let me experience shame in any area of my life, in Jesusâ?? name.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

2 Kings 11-13

Open Heavens HYMN 27: WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS

OPEN HEAVENS DEVOTIONAL 22 APRIL 2026 COMMENTARY

MEMORISE: Zephaniah 3:12

â??I will also leave in the midst of thee an afflicted and poor people, and they shall trust in the name of the LORD.â?•
This verse reveals a surprising truth: God often allows His people to go through affliction and poverty not to destroy them, but to teach them where their true trust belongs. When everything else is stripped away, when human resources fail, when we are brought lowâ??that is when we learn to trust in the name of the LORD. The verse is a promise that even in our lowest state, God preserves a remnant who know that His name is their only hope.

BIBLE READING: John 2:1-11

This passage records the first miracle of Jesus, performed at a wedding in Cana of Galilee. The wedding was a celebration, a time of joy and honor for the newly married couple. But halfway through the feast, a disaster struck: they ran out of wine. In that culture, running out of wine at a wedding was not just an inconvenienceâ??it was a profound shame. It would mark the couple and their family for years to come. Mary, the mother of Jesus, noticed the problem and brought it to His attention. Jesus initially responded that His hour had not yet come, but Mary told the servants, â??Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it.â?• Jesus instructed them to fill six stone waterpots with water, then draw some out and take it to the governor of the feast. When the governor tasted it, it was not waterâ??it was the best wine of the feast. This miracle demonstrated that **Jesus can take a situation destined for shame and turn it into a display of His glory.**

The God Who Turns Shame into Honour

In todayâ??s devotional, **Pastor E.A. Adeboye** reveals another dimension of Godâ??s power to reverse the irreversible: **He specializes in turning shame into honour.** When you are on the verge of disgrace, when everything is falling apart, when the enemy has planned your public humiliationâ??that is exactly when God steps in to arrange a divine rescue.

The Man Who Was Destined for Madness

The devotional shares a remarkable testimony of a couple facing a terrifying situation. The wife came to church desperate: â??Please help me, I donâ??t know what to do. My husband keeps wandering aimlessly at night without being in full control of his senses.â?•

Something was seriously wrong. The man was losing his mind, and the attacks were coming at night. His wife led her to Christ, and the church prayed with her. Shortly after, God blessed her with a promotion at work and a new car.

But hereâ??s where the story gets interesting. She couldnâ??t drive, so she asked her husband to drive her to church so the pastor could bless the car. He agreed but made a condition: he would only drive to the church premises; he wouldnâ??t enter the building. He sat in the car while she went inside.

But as he sat there, he could hear the sermon being preached. The Word of God was reaching him even through the car windows. When the altar call was made, something shifted. He got out of the car, went inside, and gave his life to Christ.

Some weeks later, the devil attacked him while he was driving to work. He lost his senses completely and began driving aimlessly, wandering just as his wife had described. But this time, something was different. The Holy Spirit took control and instructed him to drive to the church.

When he arrived and stepped out, people could immediately see something was wrong. They sprang into action, helped him inside, and prayed. God took control of the situation.

Daddy Adeboye makes a profound observation: **God knew beforehand that trouble was coming for this man.** He knew the enemy planned to drive him mad. So He arranged a divine insurance policyâ??he arranged for the man to be born again before the attack came. If he hadnâ??t become a child of God, he would have been lost. But because he was now in the family, he had a place to run to when trouble struck.

The shame of madness was turned into the testimony of deliverance.

The Wedding That Ran Out of Wine

The Bible reading presents another situation ripe for shame. A wedding feast was in progressâ??a celebration of love, family, and community. But halfway through, disaster struck: the wine ran out.

In that culture, this was catastrophic. It wasnâ??t just an embarrassment; it was a lasting shame. The couple would be remembered for years as the ones who couldnâ??t provide properly for their guests. Their marriage would start under a cloud of disgrace.

But Jesus was there. His mother noticed the problem and brought it to Him. She didnâ??t tell Him what to do; she simply presented the need and told the servants, â??Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it.â?•

Jesus instructed them to fill six stone waterpotsâ??the kind used for Jewish purification ritesâ??with water. When they drew it out and took it to the master of the feast, it wasnâ??t water anymore. It was wine, and not just any wineâ??the best wine of the feast.

Think about what happened here. The coupleâ??s shame was not just coveredâ??it was completely reversed. What should have been their greatest embarrassment became the moment the glory of Jesus was revealed. The waterpots of purification, symbols of the old way, became vessels of new wine. Their potential shame became their lasting honour.

The Promise: No Shame for Those Who Trust

The devotional anchors this truth in Romans 10:11: **â??Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.â?•** This is not just a nice sentimentâ??itâ??s a divine guarantee.

- You shall not be ashamed for trusting Him when others said you were foolish.
- You shall not be ashamed when your situation seems hopeless.
- You shall not be ashamed when the enemy plans your downfall.
- You shall not be ashamed when everything around you is collapsing.

God Himself guarantees your honour. He will not let His child be put to shame.

How God Turns Shame into Honour

1. He Arranges Preemptive Protection
The man was born again before the attack came. God knew what was coming and positioned him in a place of safety. Sometimes Godâ??s preparation looks like ordinary obedienceâ??attending church, responding to altar calls, joining prayer groups. But these seemingly small steps become lifelines when trouble strikes.

2. He Uses the Humble to Confound the Mighty
The man sat in the car, refusing to enter church, but the Word still reached him. God can use any means to draw His children. He doesnâ??t need perfect circumstances to work.

3. He Provides a Place of Refuge
The church became a sanctuary when the attack came. When the enemy struck, there was a place to run to. Godâ??s house is not just a buildingâ??itâ??s a shelter in the time of storm.

4. He Turns Crisis into Testimony
The man who was supposed to go mad became a testimony of deliverance. The couple who ran out of wine became the showcase of Jesusâ?? glory. Your greatest crisis can become your greatest testimony.

What Kind of Shame Needs Reversing?

The devotional speaks to every form of shame:

- **Marital shame:** Relationships that are failing, secrets being exposed
- **Financial shame:** Debt, bankruptcy, inability to provide
- **Family shame:** Children gone astray, scandals, disgrace
- **Personal shame:** Addictions, failures, secret sins coming to light
- **Professional shame:** Demotion, firing, public failure

- **Health shame:** Conditions that humiliate, bodies that betray

Whatever form of shame is threatening you, the God of the wedding at Cana is your God.

How to Position Yourself for Honour

1. **Invite Jesus to Your Feast:** The couple invited Jesus to their wedding. Is He invited to your life? Your home? Your marriage? Your business? His presence is essential for turning shame into honour.
2. **Bring Your Problem to Him:** Mary didnâ??t hide the wine shortage. She brought it to Jesus. Donâ??t cover your shameâ??bring it to the One who can reverse it.
3. **Do Whatever He Says:** The servants filled waterpots even though it seemed pointless. They drew water even though wine was needed. Obedience to His instructions, no matter how illogical, is the path to miracle.
4. **Trust in His Name:** The memory verse says the afflicted and poor will trust in the name of the LORD. When you have nothing else, trust His name. His name is a strong tower; the righteous run into it and are safe.
5. **Stay in the Refuge:** The man drove to the church when attacked. He knew where to go. Make sure you have a spiritual home, a place of refuge, before trouble comes.

The Enemyâ??s Plans Cancelled

The devotional declares: â??I pray that every plan of shame the enemy has arranged for you will be cancelled today.â?•

The enemy is a planner. He arranges scenarios designed to humiliate you. He sets traps to expose you. He prepares stages for your public disgrace.

But God is the Canceller. He cancels the enemyâ??s plans. He overturns the verdict. He shuts down the prosecution. He turns the stage of shame into a platform for testimony.

Conclusion: Your Shame Is Becoming Your Honour

The man destined for madness is now a testimony. The couple who ran out of wine are now part of Scripture. Your story can be next.

Whatever shame is threatening youâ??whether itâ??s already happened or is still loomingâ??bring it to Jesus. Invite Him to your feast. Do what He says. Trust in His name.

He will not let you be ashamed. He will turn your water into wine. He will make the best wine come last.

Pray this:
â??Father, I bring my shame to You today. The things that threaten to disgrace me. The situations that seem destined for humiliation. The enemyâ??s plans against me. I cancel them in Jesusâ?? name. Turn my shame into honour. Make the best wine come last in my life. Let me not be ashamed for trusting You. In Jesusâ?? name, Amen.â?•

Action Steps:

- **Identify the shame:** What situation is threatening to disgrace you? Write it down. Be honest.
- **Invite Jesus in:** Pray specifically over that area, acknowledging His Lordship.
- **Do what He says:** This week, identify one instruction God has given you that youâ??ve been ignoring. Obey it, even if it seems small or illogical.
- **Find your refuge:** If you donâ??t have a church home, find one. If you have one, commit to it. Make sure you have a place to run to when trouble comes.
- **Declare His promise:** Memorize Romans 10:11 and speak it over your situation daily: â??Whosoever believeth on Him shall not be ashamed.â?•

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