Open Heavens 5 April 2026 Devotional & Commentary

Description

The Open Heavens 5 April 2026 devotional for today is SHARE THE GOOD NEWS II.

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OPEN HEAVENS 5 APRIL 2026 TODAY DEVOTIONAL

TOPIC: SHARE THE GOOD NEWS II

MEMORISE
I have preached righteousness in the great congregation: lo, I have not refrained my lips, O LORD, thou knowest.
Psalm 40:9

READ: 2 Kings 7:3-16
3 And there were four leprous men at the entering in of the gate: and they said one to another, Why sit we here until we die?
4 If we say, We will enter into the city, then the famine is in the city, and we shall die there: and if we sit still here, we die also. Now therefore come, and let us fall unto the host of the Syrians: if they save us alive, we shall live; and if they kill us, we shall but die.
5 And they rose up in the twilight, to go unto the camp of the Syrians: and when they were come to the uttermost part of the camp of Syria, behold, there was no man there.

6 For the Lord had made the host of the Syrians to hear a noise of chariots, and a noise of horses, even the noise of a great host: and they said one to another, Lo, the king of Israel hath hired against us the kings of the Hittites, and the kings of the Egyptians, to come upon us.
7 Wherefore they arose and fled in the twilight, and left their tents, and their horses, and their asses, even the camp as it was, and fled for their life.
8 And when these lepers came to the uttermost part of the camp, they went into one tent, and did eat and drink, and carried thence silver, and gold, and raiment, and went and hid it; and came again, and entered into another tent, and carried thence also, and went and hid it.
9 Then they said one to another, We do not well: this day is a day of good tidings, and we hold our peace: if we tarry till the morning light, some mischief will come upon us: now therefore come, that we may go and tell the kingâ??s household.
10 So they came and called unto the porter of the city: and they told them, saying, We came to the camp of the Syrians, and, behold, there was no man there, neither voice of man, but horses tied, and asses tied, and the tents as they were.

11 And he called the porters; and they told it to the kingâ??s house within.
12 And the king arose in the night, and said unto his servants, I will now shew you what the Syrians have done to us. They know that we be hungry; therefore are they gone out of the camp to hide themselves in the field, saying, When they come out of the city, we shall catch them alive, and get into the city.
13 And one of his servants answered and said, Let some take, I pray thee, five of the horses that remain, which are left in the city, (behold, they are as all the multitude of Israel that are left in it: behold, I say, they are even as all the multitude of the Israelites that are consumed:) and let us send and see.
14 They took therefore two chariot horses; and the king sent after the host of the Syrians, saying, Go and see.

15 And they went after them unto Jordan: and, lo, all the way was full of garments and vessels, which the Syrians had cast away in their haste. And the messengers returned, and told the king.
16 And the people went out, and spoiled the tents of the Syrians. So a measure of fine flour was sold for a shekel, and two measures of barley for a shekel, according to the word of the Lord.

RCCG OPEN HEAVENS 5 APRIL 2026 TODAY MESSAGE

Todayâ??s Bible reading tells us about how four leprous men rescued an entire city from its terrible economic situation. Before then, there had been a severe famine in Samaria for a prolonged time, and things got so bad that mothers began to eat their children (2 Kings 6:26-29). After a while, Elisha, Godâ??s servant, proclaimed Godâ??s word that things would change for good the very next day.

Unaware of the prophetic word from the mouth of Godâ??s servant, the four lepers, who lived outside the city gates, decided to take a bold step to go into the enemyâ??s camp. Their action paid off because God had caused the enemy soldiers to flee from their camp because they heard what sounded like a mighty army marching towards them. When the lepers entered the enemyâ??s camp, they found out that all the soldiers had fled and had left behind all their food and other supplies. They were amazed, and they ate, drank, gathered silver, gold, and other precious items. However, after a while, they stopped and questioned their selfishness:

Then they said one to another, We do not well: this day is a day of good tidings, and we hold our peace: if we tarry till the morning light, some mischief will come upon us: now therefore come, that we may go and tell the kingâ??s household.
2 Kings 7:9

The lepers knew that it was a day of good tidings, so they refused to keep the good news to themselves. They reported their discovery to the kingâ??s household, and that was how Godâ??s word about a miraculous turnaround in the economic situation of the city came to pass the very next day.

If you are a Christian, then you know that today is a day of good tidings. Jesus died and resurrected to bring us into a new day. Jeremiah 31:31 tells us about the days when God will make a new covenant with His people. These are the days of that new covenant; the days of Godâ??s grace and victory over the nature of sin. If you are not sharing this good news and telling others about the wonderful works of God, you are denying them the opportunity of enjoying Godâ??s blessings.

Beloved, God has saved you from satanâ??s bondage and freed you from his burdens. One way to appreciate Him for this is to become a habitual testifier of His goodness. Donâ??t keep the good news of Christâ??s redemption to yourself.

Happy Easter!

ACTION POINT:

Tell at least one person about how Jesus saved you today.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

2 Samuel 14-16

Open Heavens HYMN 12: ONWARD CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS

OPEN HEAVEN DEVOTIONAL 5 APRIL 2026 COMMENTARY

MEMORISE: Psalm 40:9

â??I have preached righteousness in the great congregation: lo, I have not refrained my lips, O LORD, thou knowest.â?•
David declares that he has not held back from speaking about Godâ??s righteousness. He couldnâ??t keep silent, and neither should we.

BIBLE READING: 2 Kings 7:3-16

This is one of the most dramatic turnaround stories in the Bible. The city of Samaria was under siege, facing a horrific famine so severe that mothers were forced to eat their children. Outside the city gates, four lepersâ??outcasts with nothing to loseâ??decided to surrender to the enemy camp, hoping for mercy. But God had already moved: He caused the Syrian army to hear the sound of chariots and horses, and they fled in panic, leaving behind all their food, gold, and supplies. The lepers stumbled upon a feast. After eating their fill, they realized something crucial: keeping this news to themselves while the city starved would bring disaster upon them. They ran back and told the kingâ??s household, and the entire city was saved. This passage teaches us that **good news is not meant to be hoardedâ??it must be shared.**

The Danger of Keeping Good News to Yourself

In todayâ??s powerful Easter devotional, **Pastor E.A. Adeboye** uses the story of the four lepers to deliver a urgent message: **you have been blessed to be a blessing, and silence in the face of good news is selfishness.** If you have tasted Godâ??s goodness, you have a responsibility to tell others.

The Lepersâ?? Dilemma

Think about the position of these four men. They were lepersâ??the lowest of the low in Israelite society. They lived outside the city, forbidden from interacting with healthy people. The famine affected them too, but they had no one to blame but their circumstances.

When they stumbled upon the abandoned Syrian camp, they couldnâ??t believe their eyes. Food everywhere. Gold and silver just lying around. They ate until they were full, then started gathering treasure for themselves. It must have felt like their lucky dayâ??the outcasts finally got theirs.

But then something shifted in their hearts. They stopped and said to each other: *â??We do not well: this day is a day of good tidings, and we hold our peace.â?•*

They realized two things:

1. **This was a day of good news**â??a divine moment of turnaround
2. **Keeping silent while others perished was wrong**

Their conclusion was striking: *â??If we tarry till the morning light, some mischief will come upon us.â?•* They understood that hoarding blessing brings a curse. You cannot enjoy Godâ??s goodness while your brothers and sisters are dying in ignorance.

You Are Living in a Day of Good Tidings

Daddy Adeboye connects this Old Testament story directly to our lives today. **We are living in the days of the new covenant.** Jeremiah 31:31 promised that God would make a new covenant with His peopleâ??and through Jesus Christ, that covenant has come.

- Jesus died to set you free from bondage
- Jesus rose again to give you victory over sin
- Jesus opened the door for everyone to come to God

This is the greatest good news in human history. But here is the question the devotional asks: **Are you keeping it to yourself?**

The Selfishness of Silence

When you know the way out of sin but donâ??t tell the sinner, you are like the lepers eating in the camp while Samaria starves.

- When you have received healing but donâ??t tell the sick what God can do, you are hoarding testimony.
- When you have peace with God but donâ??t tell those still carrying guilt and shame, you are withholding the cure.

The devotional warns that this is not just unfortunateâ??it can bring mischief upon you. God blesses you not just for your sake, but for the sake of others. If you block the flow of blessing, you risk cutting yourself off from the source.

What Happens When You Tell

The lepers ran to the kingâ??s household and shared the news. Immediately, the city was saved. The famine ended just as Elisha had prophesied. One act of sharing triggered the fulfillment of Godâ??s word for the entire nation.

Your testimony can do the same:

- Your family member who is far from God could be saved through your story
- Your colleague struggling with depression could find hope through what God did for you
- Your neighbor considering suicide could change their mind because you shared your testimony

Easter: The Ultimate Day of Good Tidings

The devotional is written with Easter in mindâ??the season when we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. This is the ultimate â??day of good tidings.â?• If there was ever a time to open your mouth and tell others what God has done, it is now.

The lepers didnâ??t wait until morning. They didnâ??t wait for a more convenient time. They ran immediately to share the news. Easter gives you the perfect opportunity to do the same.

How to Become a Habitual Testifier

Daddy Adeboye calls us to be â??habitual testifiersâ?•â??people who naturally and regularly share Godâ??s goodness. Here is how:

1. **Recognize Every Day as a Day of Good Tidings:** Donâ??t wait for spectacular miracles. See Godâ??s daily faithfulnessâ??waking up, protection, provisionâ??as reasons to testify.
2. **Speak Up Immediately:** Like the lepers, donâ??t delay. When God does something good, tell someone right away. The longer you wait, the easier it is to stay silent.
3. **Use Easter Openings:** People are more open to spiritual conversations during Easter. Take advantage of this season to invite someone to church or share what Jesus means to you.
4. **Overcome the Fear of Man:** The lepers were outcasts, but they still went to the kingâ??s household. If they could speak despite their low status, you can speak despite your fears.
5. **Remember the Consequence of Silence:** When you are tempted to stay quiet, remember the lepersâ?? warning: â??Some mischief will come upon us.â?• Silence is not safeâ??it is dangerous.

Conclusion: Donâ??t Let Your City Starve

Imagine if the lepers had just enjoyed their feast and kept walking. Families in Samaria would have died through the night, not knowing that deliverance was just outside the gate. Their blood would have been on the lepersâ?? hands.

People around you are starving spiritually. They are dying in sin, trapped in depression, drowning in worry. And you have the answer. You carry the good news of the new covenant. You know the One who died and rose again.

Donâ??t let them perish while you enjoy your blessing in silence. Run and tell them. This Easter, be like the lepers. Go to the kingâ??s household. Go to your family. Go to your neighbors. Tell them itâ??s a day of good tidings.

Pray this:
â??Father, forgive me for the times I have kept silent about Your goodness. Open my mouth and give me boldness to share the good news. Help me to see that every day is a day of good tidings because of Jesus. Use me this Easter to bring someone out of famine and into Your feast. In Jesusâ?? name, Amen.â?•

Action Steps:

- **Identify one person** who needs to hear the good news this Easter. Pray for them and look for a natural opportunity to share.
- **Invite someone to church** for your Easter service. Donâ??t assume they wonâ??t comeâ??just ask.
- **Prepare your testimony:** Write down a one-minute version of what God has done for you. Practice it so youâ??re ready to share anytime.
- **Refuse to hoard:** Every time God blesses you this week, ask yourself: â??Who needs to hear about this?â?•

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