

Open Heavens 9 February 2026 Today Devotional & Commentary

Description

Todayâ??s Open Heavens devotional (9 February 2026) is **DONâ??T WAIT UNTIL IT IS TOO LATE**

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TOPIC: DONâ??T WAIT UNTIL IT IS TOO LATE

MEMORISE:
Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.
Revelation 3:20

READ: Luke 18:18-25
18 And a certain ruler asked him, saying, Good Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?
19 And Jesus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? none is good, save one, that is, God.
20 Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honour thy father and thy mother.

21 And he said, All these have I kept from my youth up.
22 Now when Jesus heard these things, he said unto him, Yet lackest thou one thing: sell all that thou hast, and distribute unto the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, follow me.
23 And when he heard this, he was very sorrowful: for he was very rich.
24 And when Jesus saw that he was very sorrowful, he said, How hardly shall they that have riches

enter into the kingdom of God!
25 For it is easier for a camel to go through a needleâ??s eye, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

RCCG OPEN HEAVENS 9 FEBRUARY 2026 MESSAGE TODAY

Years ago, somewhere in Western Nigeria, there was a man who had become wealthy through evil means. However, God showed Him mercy by sending a preacher to tell him the Good News.

The preacher told him that Jesus had paid for all his sins, regardless of how terrible they were, but the man refused the offer of salvation.

He told the preacher, â??Thank you; lâ??ve heard everything you said. My children can follow Jesus. As for me, itâ??s too late.â?• The preacher replied, â??As long as you are still breathing, itâ??s not too late.â?• He, however, refused to be convinced, saying that he had spent most of his life with the devil and would like to end it with him.

Unfortunately, he died a few weeks later, and in death, it is too late to repent. God offered him mercy, but he rejected it. If you are yet to surrender your life to Jesus, God is offering you mercy today; please do not refuse it.

In todayâ??s Bible reading, a rich young ruler came to Jesus because he knew that something was missing in his life. Apart from being rich, he also had a prominent position in society, yet he felt dissatisfied with his life. He wanted eternal life, so he came to Jesus with a simple but profound question, â??What can I do to inherit eternal life?â?• (Luke 18:18).

When Jesus told him that it was not enough to keep Godâ??s commandments and that he needed to let go of the idol in his life by selling all he had to follow Him, the man returned home sorrowful. Divine mercy was offered to him, but he refused to accept it because his riches mattered more to him than eternal life.

Godâ??s mercy is new every morning (Lamentations 3:22-23), but He will never force anyone to accept it; it is a choice that everyone must make for themselves. Unfortunately, some people say that they will repent later. This is a dangerous position to take because no one knows the exact time Jesus will return (Luke 12:40), and as we see in Luke 12:20, God can demand their souls at any time.

Beloved, if you are still living in sin, I invite you today to call upon God while He can still be found; donâ??t wait until it is impossible to do so (Isaiah 55:6).

No matter how terrible your past has been, He is telling you today that He will wash them away and make you whiter than snow (Isaiah 1:18). Let Jesus into your heart today (Revelation 3:20) before it is too late.

KEY POINT:

If you are yet to give your life to Christ, donâ??t wait until it is too late. Accept His mercy today.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

Numbers 5-6

HYMN 2: AMAZING GRACE

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MEMORISE: Revelation 3:20
â??Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.â?•
This verse is the heart of the gospel invitation, portraying Christâ??s patient initiative and our necessary response. It is a present-tense reality (â??I standâ?¦I knockâ?•). The promise is intimacy (â??sup with himâ?•) and communion. Yet, the conditional â??ifâ?• places the eternal outcome squarely on the human will: hearing must lead to the active choice of opening.

BIBLE READING: Luke 18:18-25
This passage is a poignant study in rejected mercy. The rich young ruler represents the â??moralâ?• sinnerâ??outwardly obedient but inwardly enslaved to an idol (his wealth). He sought eternal life as an addition to his portfolio, not as a transformation of it. Jesusâ?? command to sell all exposed his heart: his god was his possessions. His sorrowful departure illustrates the tragic choice to reject mercy when its cost feels too high, prompting Jesusâ?? famous warning about the spiritual danger of wealth.

The Urgency of Mercyâ??s Moment

Daddy Adeboye opens with a sobering real-life testimony. The wealthy manâ??s story is a stark embodiment of Hebrews 3:7-8: *â??Today, if you will hear his voice, harden not your heart.â?•* He was offered mercy while â??still breathing,â?• the only time it is valid. His refusalâ??â?•itâ??s too lateâ?• â??was a self-fulfilling prophecy sealed by his death. The preacherâ??s warning, â??in death, it is too late to repent,â?• echoes the irreversible finality described in Hebrews 9:27. This story underscores that mercy is a time-sensitive offer, not a perpetual entitlement.

The Nature of the Divine Offer

The devotional clarifies two key aspects of Godâ??s mercy:

1. **It is Comprehensive:** â??Jesus had paid for all his sins, regardless of how terrible they were.â?• This is the foundation of the offerâ??no sin is beyond the scope of Christâ??s atonement.
2. **It is Non-Coercive:** â??He will never force anyone to accept it.â?• God, in His sovereignty, respects human free will to the terrifying extent of allowing us to refuse eternal life. The offer is genuine, but it must be *received*.

The Two Case Studies of Refusal

Daddy Adeboye presents two archetypes who refuse mercy, providing a mirror for self-examination:

- **The â??Hardenedâ?? Sinner (The Western Nigerian Man):** His refusal was based on **false identity and loyalty**. â??I have spent most of my life with the devil and would like to end it with him.â?• This is a tragic case of identifying with oneâ??s captor. He saw his life as the devilâ??s property, too ingrained to change, rejecting the new identity mercy offered.
- **The â??Moralâ?? Sinner (The Rich Young Ruler):** His refusal was based on **clinging to an idol**. He desired eternal life *plus* his riches. When confronted with the choice, his idol won. His sorrow reveals he felt the pull of mercy but was unwilling to pay the price of dethroning his god.

Both cases prove that the barrier to mercy is never its insufficiency, but the **condition of the human heart**â??its loyalties and loves.

The Peril of Procrastination

A critical warning is issued against the most common refusal: **delay**. â??I will repent laterâ?• is identified as a â??dangerous position.â?• Daddy Adeboye gives two unanswerable reasons:

1. **The Uncertainty of Christâ??s Return (Luke 12:40).**
2. **The Uncertainty of Our Own Lifespan (Luke 12:20).**
   Procrastination is a gamble with eternity, presuming upon the very mercy one is delaying to accept.

The Loving, Present-Tense Invitation

The conclusion is a direct, passionate appeal grounded in scripture:

- **The Action Required:** *â??Call upon God while He may be foundâ?•* (Isaiah 55:6). The â??whileâ?• implies a window of opportunity that will close.
- **The Promise Attached:** No matter the past, He offers cleansing and total renewal *â??whiter than snowâ?•* (Isaiah 1:18). Mercy doesnâ??t make excuses; it obliterates the stain.
- **The Immediate Step:** *â??Let Jesus into your heart today (Revelation 3:20) before it is too late.â?•* The present-tense urgency is paramount. â??Todayâ?• is the only day guaranteed in the economy of salvation.

How to Respond: Opening the Door

To accept this mercy is to move from the stories of refusal to the promise of Revelation 3:20. It involves:

1. **Hearing His Voice:** Recognise the conviction in your heart as Christâ??s knock.
2. **Renouncing Refusal:** Repent of both known sin and the idolatry of self-rule. Letting go of whatever you are clutching that prevents you from clutching Christ.
3. **Opening the Door:** A prayer of active, voluntary surrender: â??Lord Jesus, I open the door of my life. I turn from my sin and my idols. I believe You died for me and rose again. Come in as my Saviour and Lord. Thank You for Your mercy.â?•

Final Appeal and Prayer:
â??Beloved, the knock you hear is mercy. The voice you sense is grace. Do not harden your heart with delay, identity with a sinful past, or loyalty to a worthless idol. Today, while it is still called â??Today,â?? open the door.

*Lord Jesus, I acknowledge Your knock. I confess I have kept the door closed through sin, pride, and delay. I reject the lies that it is â??too lateâ?? for me or that anything I have is better than You. Right now, I open the door of my heart and my life. Come in, Lord Jesus. Be my Saviour and my King. Wash me clean by Your blood and make me new. I receive Your mercy today. Thank You for not giving up on me. In Your name I pray, Amen.*â??

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