



Open Heavens 24 August 2026 Today Devotional & Commentary

Description

The Open Heavens 24 August 2026 devotional for today is NOTHING GOOD TO OFFER.

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OPEN HEAVENS 24 AUGUST 2026 TODAY DEVOTIONAL

TOPIC: NOTHING GOOD TO OFFER

MEMORISE:

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.
James 4:7

READ: Luke 11:24-26

²⁴ When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest; and finding none, he saith, I will return unto my house whence I came out.

²⁵ And when he cometh, he findeth it swept and garnished.

²⁶ Then goeth he, and taketh to him seven other spirits more wicked than himself; and they enter in, and dwell there: and the last state of that man is worse than the first.

RCCG OPEN HEAVENS 24 AUGUST 2026 TODAY MESSAGE

The devil has two types of captives: the willing captives and the unwilling captives. An unwilling captive is someone who has entered either willingly or unwillingly into the trap of the devil but now wants to be delivered. Such a fellow will be set free from the devil's hold when an anointed child of God prays for him or her.

A willing captive, on the other hand, is someone who also gets into the devil's hold either willingly or unwillingly but refuses to repent or be delivered because of the perceived benefits he or she is getting by serving satan. Even if such a fellow is forcefully delivered, he or she will return to the devil's camp, and this time around, the bondage will be much worse because the demon(s) that were previously cast out will be multiplied sevenfold (Matthew 12:43-45).

Many years ago, we discovered that a witch was among us in the church. We prayed for her to be delivered; however, she remained in bondage. We then asked her if she wanted to be free, and she said, "No. Do you want me to lose the power that I use to control my husband?" Such thinking is very unfortunate because those who serve the devil are headed for eternal damnation if they do not repent.

A woman whose children were dying one after the other went to seek help from a prophet because she needed him to pray to God for their protection.

While waiting for him, his wife asked her why she wanted to see her husband. She explained why she had come, and the prophet's wife gave her a kola nut to eat, telling her it would solve her problem and that she didn't need to wait for her husband again.

When she went to sleep that night, she suddenly found herself among some witches in the spirit realm. They welcomed her and promised to protect her children if she joined them. She agreed based on their promise, and after some time, it became her turn to supply the blood that the coven would drink. At that point, she surrendered her husband to be sacrificed.

More time passed, and it became her turn again to supply blood. This time, however, the witches asked her to sacrifice her children. That was when she decided to seek God's help to save her children from the devil's plan. Thank God she came to the church, and God delivered her.

Beloved, the devil offers nothing good or lasting. For everything he gives, he takes a thousandfold in return. I pray that God grants you the grace to avoid his traps, and if he currently has any hold over you and you are willing to be set free, I decree your liberty now, in Jesus' name.

KEY POINT

The devil has nothing good to give. Those who serve him are headed for eternal damnation.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

Ezekiel 1-4

Hymn: All to Jesus, I Surrender

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COMMENTARY

MEMORISE: James 4:7

â??Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.â?•

Submission to God is the foundation for resisting the devil. When you are submitted to God, you have authority over the enemyâ??and when you resist him, he must flee.

BIBLE READING: Luke 11:24-26

This passage warns that when an unclean spirit is cast out but the person remains empty, the spirit returns with seven more wicked spirits and the latter state becomes worse than the first. Deliverance must be followed by fillingâ??with Godâ??s word, prayer, and the Holy Spirit.

Two Types of Captives: Willing and Unwilling

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Unwilling Captive	Willing Captive
Wants to be delivered	Refuses to repent
Will be set free when an anointed child of God prays	Will return to bondage even if forcefully delivered
Seeks freedom	Loves the benefits of serving satan

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The Witch Who Refused Deliverance

â??Many years ago, we discovered that a witch was among us in the church. We prayed for her to be delivered; however, she remained in bondage. We then asked her if she wanted to be free, and she said, â??No. Do you want me to lose the power that I use to control my husband?â?•

What She Had	What She Chose
Power to control her husband	Remained in bondage
The opportunity to be free	Refused deliverance
A chance to repent	Chose temporary power over eternal life

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The Kolanut Trap: A Womanâ??s Descent into Witchcraft

â??A woman whose children were dying one after the other went to seek help from a prophet because she needed him to pray to God for their protection. While waiting for him, his wife asked her why she wanted to see her husband. She explained why she had come, and the prophetâ??s wife gave her a kolanut to eat, telling her it would solve her problem and that she didnâ??t need to wait for her husband again.â?•

What She Sought	What She Received
Help from God	A trap from the devil
Protection for her children	Entrance into witchcraft

â??When she went to sleep that night, she suddenly found herself among some witches in the spirit realm. They welcomed her and promised to protect her children if she joined them. She agreed based on their promise.â?•

The Promise	The Trap
â??We will protect your childrenâ?•	She joined the coven
Temporary relief	Eternal bondage

â??After some time, it became her turn to supply the blood that the coven would drink. At that point, she surrendered her husband to be sacrificed.â?•

The Progression of Bondage	The Cost
First sacrifice	Her husband
She gave in	She lost her marriage

“More time passed, and it became her turn again to supply blood. This time, however, the witches asked her to sacrifice her children.”

The Final Demand

“Sacrifice your children” She decided to seek God’s help
The devil demands everything She realized the price was too high

The Breaking Point

“That was when she decided to seek God’s help to save her children from the devil’s plan. Thank God she came to the church, and God delivered her.”

What She Did

She came to God for help
She repented
She turned from the coven

The Result

She was delivered
Her children were saved
She found freedom

The Devil’s Deception: Giving Nothing Good

“Beloved, the devil offers nothing good or lasting. For everything he gives, he takes a thousandfold in return.”

What the Devil Offers What He Takes

Temporary protection	Your soul
Power	Your family
Wealth	Your peace
Promises	Your destiny

How to Resist the Devil and Stay Free (Practical Steps)

Based on Daddy Adeboye’s teaching and Scripture, here is how to resist the devil and remain in freedom:

1. Submit to God First

James 4:7 “Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.”

Submission comes before resistance. You cannot resist the devil if you are not submitted to God. Surrender to Him completely.

2. Refuse the Devil’s Offer

Do not be tempted by temporary protection, power, or provision. The devil's offers always come with a cost. Say no.

3. Fill the Empty Place

Luke 11:24-26 warns that when an unclean spirit is cast out, it returns to an empty house. Fill your life with:

- God's word
- Prayer and worship
- Fellowship with believers
- Holiness and obedience

4. Stay Under Authority

Do not isolate yourself. Stay connected to a church, a pastor, and a community of believers. The prophet's wife was the trap but the church was the deliverance.

5. Do Not Return to Bondage

If you have been delivered, do not go back. Do not revisit the coven, the charm, or the sin that once held you. Stay in the light.

Warning: Willing Captives Face a Worse End

Daddy Adeboye's devotional carries an urgent warning: those who refuse deliverance or return to bondage will face a worse end.

If You Refuse Deliverance

You remain in bondage

You serve the devil

You reject freedom

The Result

You face eternal damnation

He takes everything from you

Your latter end is worse than the beginning

Conclusion: Your Prayer for Deliverance and Freedom

Daddy Adeboye closes with a prayer that if you are willing to be set free, your liberty is decreed.

Pray this:

Lord Jesus, I submit myself to You completely. I resist the devil, and I command him to flee from me. I renounce every covenant I have made with darkness whether knowingly or unknowingly. I reject the devil's empty promises. I will not trade my destiny for temporary power or protection. If I have been trapped, I ask for Your deliverance. Fill me with Your Holy Spirit. Fill me with Your word. I will not remain empty. I will not go back to bondage. I am free in Jesus' name. Amen.

Action Steps:

1. **The Submission Check:** Are you fully submitted to God, or are there areas where you are still holding on to sin or the world? Surrender today.
2. **The Willing Captive Audit:** Have you refused deliverance because you enjoy the "benefits" of sin? Repent. Choose freedom.
3. **The Filling Commitment:** If you have been delivered, fill your life with prayer, God's word, and fellowship. Do not leave your house empty.

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