Open Heaven 12 November 2025 Today Devotional & Commentary

Description

The Open Heaven 12 November 2025 devotional for today is **STAY HUMBLE II.**

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TOPIC: STAY HUMBLE II

MEMORISE:
For all those things hath mine hand made, and all those things have been, saith the LORD: but to this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at my word.
Isaiah 66:2

READ: 1 Kings 21:15-29:
15 And it came to pass, when Jezebel heard that Naboth was stoned, and was dead, that Jezebel said to Ahab, Arise, take possession of the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, which he refused to give thee for money: for Naboth is not alive, but dead.
16 And it came to pass, when Ahab heard that Naboth was dead, that Ahab rose up to go down to the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, to take possession of it.
17 And the word of the Lord came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying,
18 Arise, go down to meet Ahab king of Israel, which is in Samaria: behold, he is in the vineyard of Naboth, whither he is gone down to possess it.
19 And thou shalt speak unto him, saying, Thus saith the Lord, Hast thou killed, and also taken possession? And thou shalt speak unto him, saying, Thus saith the Lord, In the place where dogs

licked the blood of Naboth shall dogs lick thy blood, even thine.
20 And Ahab said to Elijah, Hast thou found me, O mine enemy? And he answered, I have found thee: because thou hast sold thyself to work evil in the sight of the Lord.

21 Behold, I will bring evil upon thee, and will take away thy posterity, and will cut off from Ahab him that pisseth against the wall, and him that is shut up and left in Israel,
22 And will make thine house like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the house of Baasha the son of Ahijah, for the provocation wherewith thou hast provoked me to anger, and made Israel to sin.
23 And of Jezebel also spake the Lord, saying, The dogs shall eat Jezebel by the wall of Jezreel.
24 Him that dieth of Ahab in the city the dogs shall eat; and him that dieth in the field shall the fowls of the air eat.
25 But there was none like unto Ahab, which did sell himself to work wickedness in the sight of the Lord, whom Jezebel his wife stirred up.

26 And he did very abominably in following idols, according to all things as did the Amorites, whom the Lord cast out before the children of Israel.
27 And it came to pass, when Ahab heard those words, that he rent his clothes, and put sackcloth upon his flesh, and fasted, and lay in sackcloth, and went softly.
28 And the word of the Lord came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying,
29 Seest thou how Ahab humbleth himself before me? because he humbleth himself before me, I will not bring the evil in his days: but in his sonâ??s days will I bring the evil upon his house.

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After I became born again, I started hearing God speak to me, and I stopped doing anything without His guidance or approval. In those days, I would ask Him which routes to drive through so I would not get caught in traffic jams, and He would guide me.

However, something happened that made Him stop speaking to me for a while. I was an interpreter in the church, and the General Superintendent took a special interest in me and made me his personal interpreter. When the other pastors in the church realised that he had chosen me to be his interpreter, they stopped asking me to interpret for them out of respect for him.

One day, we had a programme, and a pastor told me that I would be interpreting for him during his sermon. I became angry, but I didnâ??t object because the Bible teaches that we should always honour and obey those whom God has placed over us (Romans 13:1-2).

I interpreted during his sermon, but in my heart, I murmured, â??How can you call me, the interpreter to the General Superintendent, to interpret for you?â?• At the end of the programme, as I walked towards my car, God told me, â??Son, so you are now too big to interpret for my servant.â?• That was all He said, and I didnâ??t hear His voice again. The period that followed was like hell because He stopped speaking to me. I was constantly stuck in heavy traffic as His voice wasnâ??t guiding me anymore.

I pleaded with Him and promised never to allow pride to creep into my heart again. Thankfully, He started speaking to me again.

Pride will make a Christian vulnerable to all arrows from the devil. However, when a Christian stays humble, God will be his or her defence. God will always fight for humble people because they have acknowledged through their humility that they cannot fight for themselves.

In todayâ??s Bible reading, Ahab did a terrible thing before God, and God sent Elijah to pass judgment on him for his wickedness. When he heard Godâ??s word, Ahab humbled himself before God, who had sworn to destroy him. When God saw that he had humbled himself, He sent Elijah to tell him that He would not bring evil in his days (1 Kings 21:27-29). God postponed Ahabâ??s judgment because of his humility.

Beloved, do not leave yourself vulnerable to the devilâ??s attacks. Humble yourself before God, and He will cause you to always walk in victory.

PRAYER POINT

God rejects the proud, but He gives grace to the humble.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

Acts 4-5

HYMN 34: YIELD NOT TO TEMPTATION

OPEN HEAVEN DEVOTIONAL 12 NOVEMBER 2025 COMMENTARY

MEMORISE: Isaiah 66:2 (KJV)
â??For all those things hath mine hand made, and all those things have been, saith the LORD: but to this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at my word.â?•
This verse reveals the kind of heart that captures Godâ??s gaze. Amidst all His magnificent creation, Godâ??s attention is drawn not to human achievement, but to the one who is humble (poor in spirit), repentant (contrite), and who holds Godâ??s word in reverent awe.

BIBLE READING: 1 Kings 21:15-29
This passage provides a stunning contrast between the consequences of wickedness and the power of humility:

- **v. 15-16:** Ahab, empowered by his wife Jezebelâ??s evil scheme, seizes Nabothâ??s vineyard, demonstrating the pinnacle of proud, selfish ambition.

- **v. 17-24:** God sends Elijah to pronounce a severe and total judgment upon Ahab and his household for his great wickedness.
- **v. 25-26:** The narrative emphasizes that Ahab was uniquely sold to doing evil.
- **v. 27-29:** Upon hearing the judgment, Ahab humbles himself dramatically. God, seeing this humility, immediately commutes the sentence, postponing the disaster to his sonâ??s days.

The High Cost of a Proud Heart: A Personal Testimony

Pastor E.A. Adeboye shifts from teaching general principles to sharing a searingly personal testimony of his own failure with pride. This raw account serves as a powerful warning that pride is not a distant sin for â??other people,â?• but a subtle trap that can ensnare any believer, at any level, with immediate and severe consequences.

1. The Subtle Onset of Pride

Pride in the Midst of Blessing:
Daddy Adeboye was in a blessed positionâ??born again, hearing Godâ??s voice, and favored by his General Superintendent. Pride did not attack him in a moment of failure, but in a moment of honor. This is its most deceptive form: it often disguises itself as a sense of â??deservednessâ?• or elevated status due to divine favor.

The Internal Murmuring of a Proud Heart:
The sin was not in the act of interpreting (which was his duty), but in the attitude of his heart. The thought, *â??How can you call me, the interpreter to the General Superintendentâ?¦â?•* reveals the core of pride: a heart that measures its own worth against others and deems certain tasks beneath its perceived station.

2. The Immediate Consequence: A Silent Heaven

Godâ??s Direct Confrontation:
God did not ignore the hidden sin. He confronted it directly and succinctly: *â??Son, so you are now too big to interpret for my servant.â?•* This highlights that God views pride as a serious offense against His own authority and the value He places on every member of His body.

The Agony of Lost Fellowship:
The consequence was not a public shaming, but a private, profound loss: the voice of God fell silent. For someone accustomed to daily divine guidance, this was â??like hell.â?• It demonstrates that pride erects a barrier to intimate communion with God. The practical result was a return to natural livingâ??being â??constantly stuck in heavy trafficâ?• without divine navigation.

3. The Power of Humility to Avert Judgment

Ahabâ??s Case: Postponed Judgment:
The story of Ahab is one of the most powerful in Scripture demonstrating that humility can literally alter Godâ??s declared judgment. Though Ahabâ??s heart was not permanently changed, his temporary, genuine act of self-humbling moved God to mercy. This shows that Godâ??s response to a humbled

heart is immediate and compassionate.

Our Case: Divine Defense and Victory:
For the believer, humility is not just a way to avoid punishment; it is a strategic position for divine defense. A proud person relies on themselves and is therefore vulnerable. A humble person acknowledges their inability, and in that place of dependence, God Himself becomes their defender and guarantees their victory.

How to Guard Against the Spirit of Pride

1. Cultivate a Heart of Gratitude, Not Entitlement:
Consistently thank God for every assignment, big or small. View every opportunity to serve as a gift, not a right. Replace â??I deserve betterâ?• with â??Iâ??m grateful to be used at all.â?•

2. Obey Promptly, but Examine Your Heart Constantly:
We can do the right thing with the wrong heart. Like Daddy Adeboye, we can outwardly obey while inwardly rebelling. Regularly ask the Holy Spirit to search your heart and reveal any hidden pride (Psalm 139:23-24).

3. Embrace the Ministry of the â??Lesserâ?• Task:
Intentionally seek out and joyfully perform duties that are unseen or considered â??lowly.â?• This is a practical antidote to pride, reinforcing that our value comes from serving, not from being served.

Warning: Pride is a Spiritual Vulnerability
Pride is not a personality trait; it is a spiritual condition that makes you a target. It disconnects you from your source of grace and guidance, leaving you exposed to the enemyâ??s attacks. Humility, conversely, is a spiritual shelter.

Conclusion: Restoring the Broken Fellowship

Pray this:
â??Father, I tremble at Your word and Your judgment against pride. Forgive me for every time I have thought of myself more highly than I ought. Like David, create in me a clean heart and renew a right spirit within me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation and the sound of Your guiding voice. I humble myself under Your mighty hand this day, in Jesusâ?? name.â?•

Action Steps:

- **Heed the Warning:** If you feel a conviction while reading this testimony, do not delay. Repent immediately and ask God to cleanse you from all pride.
- **Serve Secretly:** This week, find a â??menialâ?• task in your church or community and do it joyfully as unto the Lord, telling no one.
- **Study the Contrast:** Read and meditate on the stories of Nebuchadnezzar (Daniel 4) and the Pharisee and the Tax Collector (Luke 18:9-14) to see the ultimate end of pride and the exaltation of humility.

Remember: There is no spiritual traffic jam in the will of God. The only thing that can block your divine guidance is a heart that has become too big for the narrow path of humility.

â??Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up.â?• (James 4:10). Your promotion is His responsibility; your humility is yours.

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