

Open Heavens 17 January 2026 Today Devotional & Commentary

Description

The Open Heavens 17 January 2025 devotional for today is **THE BLESSINGS OF THE LORD.**

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TOPIC: THE BLESSINGS OF THE LORD

MEMORISE:
And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God.
Deuteronomy 28:2

READ: Deuteronomy 11:26-27
26 Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse;
27 A blessing, if ye obey the commandments of the Lord your God, which I command you this day:

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God loves His children so much (1 John 3:1), and He desires to give them blessings without any sorrow (Proverbs 10:22).

However, as a responsible Father, He will not answer some prayers from His children when He knows they are not yet mature enough to handle what they are asking for. For example, no responsible father will give his five-year-old child a car to drive, no matter how much the child asks or begs for it.

Likewise, before God gives you some blessings, He will ensure that you have the capacity to handle them and that they will not harm you in any way or distract you from fulfilling His purpose for your life. He will not give His children things they ask for that would end up affecting their destinies negatively or destroying them.

3 John 2 says:
Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.

God wants you to prosper and be in good health, but that is only as your soul prospers and you increasingly become spiritually mature.

This is why you must ensure that your soul is prospering by feeding it with the word of God regularly. When you do this, you will begin to prosper and enjoy Godâ??s blessings in every other area of your life.

Joshua 1:8 says:
This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

Beloved, when you fill your heart with Godâ??s word, it will set you up to enjoy His blessings and have good success. The Bible also says that if your delight is in the word of God and you meditate on it at all times, you will be so blessed that you will be like a tree planted by the riverbank that not only brings forth its fruit in due season but also never has withered leaves.

The Bible further says that all you do will prosper (Psalm 1:2- 3). There are, however, different kinds of blessings you can receive from God. Over the next two days, I will be discussing two of them, which are conditional blessings and irreversible blessings.

I pray that Godâ??s blessings will overshadow you, even as you keep growing spiritually and your soul prospers in Him.

KEY POINT

The more your soul prospers, the more blessings you will enjoy from God.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

Exodus 5-7

HYMN 26: THERE SHALL BE SHOWERS OF BLESSINGS

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MEMORISE: Deuteronomy 28:2
â??And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God.â?•
This verse establishes the nature of covenant blessings: they are not merely given, but they actively pursue and overtake the obedient. The condition is clearâ??attentive obedience to Godâ??s voice. The blessings are comprehensive (â??allâ?•) and inescapable for those who meet the condition.

BIBLE READING: Deuteronomy 11:26-27
This passage sets before Godâ??s people the fundamental choice between blessing and curse. The blessing is contingent upon obedience to Godâ??s commandments. It frames Godâ??s generosity not as arbitrary, but as a consistent, righteous response to the posture of His children.

The Pathway to Sustainable Blessing: Soul Prosperity

Daddy Adeboye introduces a crucial divine principle: Godâ??s desire to bless is unlimited, but His distribution is wise and responsible. Blessings are not isolated gifts; they are linked to the spiritual and moral capacity of the recipient. The ultimate blessing is a life where external prosperity is matched and sustained by internal, soul-level health.

1. The Fatherâ??s Wisdom in Withholding

Blessings as a Responsibility, Not Just a Gift:
Godâ??s refusal to grant certain requests is not a lack of love, but the pinnacle of it. A car to a five-year-old is a death sentence, not a blessing. Similarly, premature promotion, sudden wealth, or answered prayers rooted in fleshly desire can shipwreck faith and destiny. God prioritizes our eternal well-being over our immediate gratification.

The Law of Capacity:
3 John 2 reveals the divine sequence: **soul prosperity first, then all-around prosperity.** Your soulâ??your mind, will, and emotionsâ??must be matured and fortified by Godâ??s Word to properly steward blessing without becoming prideful, distracted, or idolatrous. Blessing without maturity often leads to destruction.

2. The Engine of Soul Prosperity: The Word of God

Meditation as the Key to Transformation:
Joshua 1:8 and Psalm 1:2-3 are not about casual reading but deep, continual meditation. This is the process of *soul prosperity*â??allowing the Word to renew your thinking (mind), align your desires (will), and stabilize your feelings (emotions). A prosperous soul thinks biblically, chooses obediently, and rests in Godâ??s peace.

The Unshakeable Life: The Riverbank Tree:
The Psalm 1 metaphor depicts the outcome: resilience, perennial fruitfulness, and unbroken prosperity (â??all you do will prosperâ?•). This isnâ??t a life free from storms, but one with an unseen, perpetual source of nourishment that ensures vitality and productivity in *due season*. The root system (your meditative life) determines the public fruit.

3. The Inevitable Result: Blessings That Pursue

Obedience Activates the Pursuit:
When your soul prospers through the Word and obedience, you align yourself with the covenant channel. Blessings become a divine *consequence*, not a struggle. Deuteronomy 28:2 says they â??come on thee and overtake thee.â?• You no longer chase blessings; you outrun them because you are running on the track of Godâ??s will.

Hearkening to His Voice:
The condition is to â??hearkenâ?•â??to listen attentively and obey promptly. This implies a relationship, not just rule-keeping. A prosperous soul is sensitive to the Holy Spiritâ??s daily guidance, making choices that keep you in the center of Godâ??s benevolent will.

How to Cultivate a Prosperous Soul for Lasting Blessing

Implement Daily Meditation:
Choose a verse or short passage each day. Donâ??t just read it. Chew on it. Ask: What does this say about God? About me? What must I change, believe, or do? Speak it aloud throughout the day.

Pray for Maturity Over Mere Material Gain:
Adjust your prayers. Ask, â??Lord, prosper my soul to the level where You can trust me with the blessings You desire to give. Make me a steward, not just a consumer.â?•

Obedience Audit:
Regularly ask the Holy Spirit to highlight any area of known disobedience. A single act of willful disobedience can dam the flow of blessing. Prioritize closing those gaps.

Warning: Seeking Blessing Without Soul Prosperity is Dangerous

To crave the fruit (blessings) without tending to the root (your soul) is to invite spiritual catastrophe. It leads to a life where blessings become a burden, success leads to pride, and Godâ??s gifts eclipse God Himself. This is the path of the backslider.

Conclusion: Pray for Rootedness and Readiness

Pray this:
â??Heavenly Father, thank You for being a wise and loving Father. I desire sustainable blessings that bring You glory. First, prosper my soul. Saturate my mind with Your Word, align my will with Yours, and steady my emotions with Your peace. Build in me the capacity to handle every blessing You have ordained for my life. Let my life be so rooted in You that blessings overtake me as I walk in joyful obedience, in Jesusâ?? name!â?•

Action Steps:

1. **Soul Prosperity Journal:** For the next 7 days, write down one key truth from your meditation and one practical step of obedience it requires.
2. **The Capacity Prayer:** Each morning, pray: â??Father, make me more spiritually mature today than I was yesterday. Prepare me for the blessings You have prepared for me.â?•
3. **Identify One Area of Delayed Obedience:** Is there a clear instruction from Godâ??s Word or the Holy Spirit you have been postponing? Obey it *this week*. This act opens channels.
4. **Prepare for the Series:** Begin to reflect: What â??conditional blessingsâ?• have you seen in Scripture? What makes a blessing â??irreversibleâ?•?

Remember: God is not withholding; He is preparing. Your primary assignment is not to seek blessings, but to seek the Blesser and let Him cultivate in you a soul that can bear the weight of His glory.
â??For then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.â?• (Joshua 1:8). Your success is tied to your soulâ??s diet.

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