

Open Heaven 9 May 2025 Devotional & Commentary

Description

The Open Heaven 9 May 2025 devotional for today is YOUR LIFETIME.

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TOPIC: YOUR LIFETIME

MEMORISE

This is the generation of them that seek him, that seek thy face, O Jacob. Selah.
Psalm 24:6

READ: Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:

2 A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted;

3 A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up;

4 A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance;

5 A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;

6 A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away;

7 A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;

8 A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace.

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A person's lifetime is the period between the fellow's birth and death. Today's Bible reading says that there are seasons for everything and a time for every purpose under heaven.

Everyone is assigned to a purpose here on earth, and after a while, regardless of whether they fulfil their purpose or not, they die. Once you leave the earth, another generation will come on the scene and play their own part according to God's design (Ecclesiastes 1:4).

The question is, during this period when you are playing your own part, will you make a mark in the sands of time? Will you fulfil your destiny or just pursue mundane things?

David followed after God so much that He called him "...a man after mine own heart..." (Acts 13:22). Little wonder he lived such an impactful life and is still regarded as Israel's greatest king up until today. Another fellow, Methuselah, was only known for his day of birth and death. He was the oldest man recorded in the Bible, and apart from the fact that he had sons and daughters, nothing else was written about him (Genesis 5:25-27).

Enoch, on the other hand, walked with God, and this made his lifetime count (Genesis 5:24).

When a fellow walks with God and does His will like Enoch and David did, the person's lifetime will count. The impact of that fellow will be felt long after he or she has crossed over to eternity.

God seeks a generation of people who will fear, love, and follow Him wholeheartedly.

David called this generation 'the generation that seeks God's face' (Psalm 24:6). When I was younger, people had shops with small peepholes that could only accommodate a person's hand. If someone wanted to buy something, the shop owner would stretch his or her hands through the peephole to collect the person's money and pass the goods out, after which the fellow would leave. However, if the fellow insists on seeing the shop owner, the shop owner would open the door so they can meet face to face.

Beloved, God wants you to seek His face and not just the blessings in His hands. If you want your life to matter, don't focus on the things you can get from Him; seek His face so you can have access to Him. Don't only ask God for material things; ask Him to show you His face so that when the world looks at you, they will see His glory (Exodus 34:28-35).

ACTION POINT

Seek God's face and live according to His will so your life can make an impact in the world.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

RCCG HYMN 7: I AM THINE O LORD

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Memorise: Psalm 24:6 (KJV)

This verse calls believers to **intimate pursuit of God**—not just His blessings—as the key to a **life of eternal impact**.

Bible Reading: Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 (KJV)

“To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven...”

This passage frames life as **divinely orchestrated seasons**, emphasizing that our **choices within these seasons determine eternal significance**.

Key Lessons from the Devotional:

1. Life Is a Temporary Assignment (Ecclesiastes 1:4)

- **Earthly Reality:**
 - Your lifespan is the **brief interval** between birth and death (James 4:14).
 - Generations pass, but **eternal impact remains** (Psalm 112:6).
- **Two Contrasting Examples:**
 - **David:** A man after God’s heart (Acts 13:22) whose legacy **still inspires**.
 - **Methuselah:** Lived 969 years (Genesis 5:27) but is **only remembered for longevity**.
- **Question:** *Will your life be a footnote (like Methuselah) or a blueprint (like David)?*

2. God’s Priority: Face Over Favors (Psalm 24:6)

- **The “Peephole” vs. “Face-to-Face” Analogy:**
 - Many treat God like the shopkeeper—seeking **His hands (blessings)** but not **His face (relationship)**.
 - **Biblical Contrast:**
 - **Esau** sought birthright blessings but **despised the Giver** (Hebrews 12:16-17).

- Moses sought God's presence and **carried His glory** (Exodus 34:29-35).
- **Modern Application:**
 - Shift from "God, give me..." to "God, show me You."

3. How to Make Your Lifetime Count

1. **Walk with God Like Enoch (Genesis 5:24)**
 - Enoch's secret: **Daily intimacy**—so deep God "took him" to heaven.
2. **Pursue Purpose Like David (Acts 13:36)**
 - David **served God's purpose in his generation** before dying.
3. **Embrace Seasons Like Jesus (John 17:4)**
 - Jesus fulfilled **each assigned season** (Galatians 4:4) to complete His mission.

4. The Cost of a Life That Matters

- **Sacrifice:** David spent years in wilderness **before** kingship (Psalm 78:70-72).
- **Surrender:** Enoch's walk required **total devotion** (Hebrews 11:5).
- **Focus:** Paul forgot "mundane things" to **press toward eternity** (Philippians 3:13-14).

5. Warning: The Peril of Wasted Time

- **The Rich Fool (Luke 12:20):** Stored wealth but was "**not rich toward God.**"
- **Lot's Wife (Genesis 19:26):** Looked back at **temporal comforts**, lost eternity.

Practical Applications

For the Distracted:

- Audit your priorities: Are you chasing **temporary gains** or **eternal rewards**? (Colossians 3:2).
- **Pray:** "*Lord, reveal what season I'm in and how to maximize it.*"

For the Weary:

- Like David in the wilderness, your **hidden season** is preparation for impact.
- **Declare:** "*I will be faithful in this season's assignment.*"

For the Lukewarm:

- God seeks a **generation that seeks Him**—not just His benefits (Revelation 3:16).
- **Act:** Fast from *requests* for a week; seek only **His presence**.

The Reward of a Life Well-Lived

- **Divine Glory:** Like Moses, your face will reflect His radiance (2 Corinthians 3:18).
- **Eternal Legacy:** Like David, your life will **inspire generations** (Psalm 145:4).

- **Heavenly Commendation:** *“Well done, good servant!”* (Luke 19:17).
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Conclusion: Your Life—A Stewardship

1. **Time is short**—redeem it (Ephesians 5:16).
 2. **Purpose is fixed**—fulfill it (Jeremiah 1:5).
 3. **Eternity is certain**—prepare for it (Matthew 6:20).
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Prayer Response

“Father, deliver me from a mundane existence. Help me seek Your face above all, walk in my ordained seasons, and leave a legacy that glorifies You. Let my life echo in eternity. In Jesus’ name, Amen.”

Final Charge

“In a world chasing shadows, be a seeker of the Substance—God Himself.”

Will your lifetime count for eternity?

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