

Open Heaven 7 April 2025 Today Devotional & Commentary

Description

The Open Heaven 7 April 2025 devotional for today is **LIKE THE DAY OF PENTECOST VII**. The author of this daily devotion is Pastor E. A. Adeboye, General Overseer of the Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG).

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OPEN HEAVEN 7 APRIL 2025 TODAY DEVOTIONAL

TOPIC: LIKE THE DAY OF PENTECOST VII

MEMORISE

Insomuch that they brought forth the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and couches, that at the least, the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them.

Acts 5:15

READ: Acts 1:1-8

The former treatise have I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach,

² Until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen:

³ To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God:

⁴ And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me.

⁵ For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.

⁶ When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time

restore again the kingdom to Israel?

⁷ And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power.

⁸ But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

RCCG OPEN HEAVEN 7 APRIL 2025 TODAY MESSAGE

I will conclude my discussion on the significance of the events of the day of Pentecost by sharing an encounter I had with God that has greatly impacted my journey in ministry.

Just before my birthday some years ago, the Lord asked me what birthday gift I wanted, and I told Him that I wanted a miracle for every member of my congregation. I could have asked for anything that day, and He would have given me, but I asked for the power of the Holy Spirit in action among my congregation. He then told me to hold a programme which we called the Holy Ghost Service, and from that time on, we started to see great miracles that we had never seen before in RCCG. Special miracles started happening through me when I allowed God to use me to create an atmosphere for the Holy Spirit to move mightily in our midst.

Every believer is qualified to work miracles (Mark 16:17-18), but the one who will create the atmosphere that will host the Holy Spirit will work special miracles and cause a revival like what happened on the day of Pentecost.

On the day of Pentecost, everyone present in the upper room was tremendously blessed, but one fellow stood out – Peter. Peter was singled out for something extraordinary. The Lord had promised him in Luke 5:1-11 that he would catch men and not fish, and the promise came into full manifestation after the upper room experience; he preached just one sermon and won 3,000 souls (Acts 2:14-41). While others performed miracles, he was outstanding as his shadow began to heal the sick (Acts 5:15).

This is what happens when you make yourself available to create the kind of atmosphere that can host the Holy Spirit.

I know that from reading this series, you have been triggered to spark a revival. I have good news for ministers who will create the kind of atmosphere that will bring about the manifestation of the power of the Holy Spirit in their churches or fellowships – their ministries will grow exponentially. I pray that God will move you into a deeper level of His power and begin to perform special miracles through you, in Jesus' name.

KEY POINT:

Father, please help me to create the kind of atmosphere in which Your Holy Spirit loves to dwell, in Jesus' name.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

HYMN 7: I AM THINE O LORD.

OPEN HEAVEN DEVOTIONAL 7 APRIL 2025 COMMENTARY

1. The Birth of the Holy Ghost Services: A Model for Revival

Today's devotional opens with Pastor Adeboye's personal testimony about the inception of RCCG's *Holy Ghost Services*:

- **Divine Invitation:** God asked him to choose a birthday gift. Daddy requested **miracles for his congregation** over personal gain.
- **Obedient Response:** The *Holy Ghost Services* were born, birthing unprecedented miracles.

Key Insight:

- **Revival begins when leaders prioritize God's power over personal comfort.**
- **Atmosphere matters:** Miracles flourish where the Holy Spirit is **intentionally hosted** (Acts 2:1-4).

Application:

? **Leaders:** Ask God, "*What spiritual gift does my congregation need most?*"

? **Believers:** Pray for your pastors to receive fresh Pentecostal fire.

2. The Peter Principle: From Ordinary to Extraordinary

Open Heaven devotional for today contrasts the **general outpouring** at Pentecost with **Peter's unique anointing**:

- **All 120 spoke in tongues** (Acts 2:4), but **Peter preached with explosive results** (3,000 saved – Acts 2:41).
- **All worked miracles** (Acts 2:43), but **Peter's shadow healed** (Acts 5:15).

Why Peter Stood Out:

1. **Preparation:** Jesus had specifically trained him (Luke 5:10 – "*Catch men*").
2. **Availability:** He **created atmospheres** for the Spirit to move (e.g., Acts 3:1-8 – healing at the Beautiful Gate).

Modern Parallel:

- **“Special miracles”** (Acts 19:11-12) still happen through believers who **cultivate hunger for God’s presence**.

Action Step:

? **Identify your “shadow ministry”**—how can your daily walk release God’s power?

3. The Anatomy of a Miracle-Hosting Atmosphere

The devotional for today outlines **four pillars** for creating Pentecostal environments:

Pillar	Biblical Example	Modern Application
Sacrificial Prayer	Upper Room tarrying (Acts 1:14)	Night vigils; prayer chains
Expectant Faith	Peter’s shadow (Acts 5:15)	Declare miracles before they manifest
Corporate Unity	“One accord” (Acts 2:1)	Resolve church conflicts
Obedient Leadership	Adeboye’s Holy Ghost Services	Launch Spirit-led initiatives

Warning:

- **Miracles decline** when the Church prioritizes programs over presence (Revelation 2:4-5).

Prayer:

“Holy Spirit, make me a conduit for Your power. Teach me to create spaces where You move unrestrained!”

4. The Ripple Effect of Pentecostal Power

The devotional highlights **three outcomes of hosting God’s fire**:

1. **Exponential Growth**
 - Peter’s sermon ? 3,000 conversions (Acts 2:41).
2. **Divine Authentication**
 - Signs following confirm the gospel (Mark 16:20).
3. **Cultural Transformation**
 - Idols collapse where the Church operates in power (Acts 19:19-20).

Prophetic Promise:

- *“Ministries that prioritize the Spirit’s atmosphere will experience unnatural growth!”*

5. A Charge to the Modern Church

Today's devotional concludes with a **clarion call**:

1. **To Ministers:**

- *"Stop managing crowds; start hosting the Holy Spirit!"*

2. **To Believers:**

- *"You are a candidate for 'shadow miracles'—walk closely with God!"*

Declaration:

"I refuse to settle for powerless Christianity. I will cultivate a life that carries Your presence, Lord!"

Final Thought: Your Shadow Can Heal

Peter's shadow healed **not because he was perfect**, but because:

- **He was full of the Spirit** (Acts 4:8).
- **He walked in God's presence daily** (Acts 3:1).

"The world isn't waiting for more sermons—it's waiting for a Church whose shadow delivers!"

Action Steps:

1. **Fast one day this week** to consecrate yourself for greater power.
2. **Study Acts** to identify how the early Church hosted miracles.
3. **Share a testimony** of God's power in your life to spark faith in others.

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