

Open Heaven 8 July 2025 Today Devotional & Commentary

Description

The Open Heaven 8 July 2025 devotional for today is TRUE BEAUTY.

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OPEN HEAVEN 8 JULY 2025 TODAY DEVOTIONAL

TOPIC: TRUE BEAUTY

MEMORISE:

But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.

1 Peter 3:4

READ: 1 Peter 3:3-11

3 Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel;

4 But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.

5 For after this manner in the old time the holy women also, who trusted in God, adorned themselves, being in subjection unto their own husbands:

6 Even as Sara obeyed Abraham, calling him lord: whose daughters ye are, as long as ye do well, and are not afraid with any amazement.

7 Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered.

8 Finally, be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous:

9 Not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing; knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a blessing.

10 For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile:

11 Let him eschew evil, and do good; let him seek peace, and ensue it.

RCCG OPEN HEAVEN 8 JULY 2025 TODAY MESSAGE

It is good to pay attention to your physical appearance; however, this should not become an obsession. Many people have become so obsessed with their physical appearance that they spend lots of time and money on artificial hair, make-up, cosmetic surgery, and revealing clothes, thinking this will make them more attractive. This sort of obsession is not befitting of Christians.

For example, applying heavy cosmetics and undergoing cosmetic surgery is a way of telling God that He has not created you the right way. Wearing tight and revealing clothes is also a way of saying that you're cheap and available. As a genuine Christian, your true beauty is not determined by your outward appearance but by the things that lie within you.

You should only give moderate time and attention to your looks. If a believer spends three hours dressing up every morning, I wonder if he or she has a quiet time with God at all. Colossians 3:2 says that your primary focus should be on things above, not things on the earth. Matthew 6:21 also says that where your treasure is, there will your heart be. If you are spending so much resources on your outward appearance, it shows where your heart actually is and what you are really focused on.

Some Christians go as far as getting cosmetic surgery to enhance certain parts of their body. Some of them cannot sacrifice their comfort for the sake of the gospel, but they are willing to risk their lives to enhance their appearance.

It is good to look good, but please pay more attention to looking more beautiful on the inside than you are on the outside. What makes a person really beautiful is his or her character and good deeds. Dorcas was full of good works and generosity. She was vibrant in her relationship with God and fervent in her love for humanity. When she died, the people in her community refused to let her go. They sent for Peter to come and wake her up because her impact was truly powerful (Acts 9:36-42). If all she was known for were her face and body structure, nobody would have gone the extra mile to get Peter to wake her from the dead.

Beloved, when you live for God, your life will be truly beautiful, and long after you have crossed over to eternity, people will still be blessed by your impact. Focus on reflecting true beauty, not just your outward appearance.

OPEN HEAVEN 8 JULY 2025 KEY POINT

True beauty is in being a person of excellent character, virtues, and impact.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

Proverbs 27-29

HYMN 7: I AM THINE O LORD.

OPEN HEAVEN DEVOTIONAL 8 JULY 2025 COMMENTARY

MEMORISE: 1 Peter 3:4

“But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.”

This verse highlights **God's value system**—He prioritizes **inner beauty** (character, humility, and godliness) over external adornment. While society obsesses over physical appearance, Scripture calls believers to cultivate **eternal qualities** that reflect Christ.

BIBLE READING: 1 Peter 3:3-11

Peter's message to believers emphasizes:

- **v. 3-4** – True beauty is **not** in outward adornment but in a **gentle and quiet spirit**.
 - **v. 9** – Christians are called to **bless others**, not retaliate.
 - **v. 11** – **Pursue peace and holiness** above all.
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The Danger of Obsessing Over Physical Appearance

The devotional warns against the modern trap of **fixating on looks while neglecting inner transformation**.

1. Outward Adornment vs. Inner Beauty

- **Cultural Deception:** Society equates beauty with **makeup, surgery, or fashion**, but God values **character**

(1 Samuel 16:7).

- Example:

- **Queen Esther** won favor through **wisdom and virtue** (Esther 2:15), not just physical beauty.

- **Rebellion Against God's Design**

- Cosmetic surgery to "fix" features **implies dissatisfaction with God's craftsmanship** (Psalm 139:14).
- **Revealing clothing** often seeks attention rather than honoring God (1 Timothy 2:9-10).

2. Misplaced Priorities

- **Time:** Spending **hours on looks** but **minutes in prayer** reveals misplaced devotion (Matthew 6:21).
- **Money:** Investing excessively in **temporary beauty** while neglecting **eternal treasures** (Matthew 6:19-20) is unwise.
- **Risk:** Some risk **health complications** for cosmetic enhancements but won't endure discomfort for Christ.

3. Biblical Examples of True Beauty

- **Dorcas (Acts 9:36-42)** – Known for **good works**, not appearance. Her impact was so profound that Peter raised her from the dead!
- **Sarah (1 Peter 3:5-6)** – Adorned herself with **submission and godliness**, not just physical charm.
- **Jesus (Isaiah 53:2)** – Had "**no beauty that we should desire Him**" yet transformed the world through **love and sacrifice**.

How to Cultivate True Beauty

1. **Focus on Inner Growth (Colossians 3:2)**
 - Spend time in **prayer, Scripture, and serving others**—these refine character.
2. **Dress Modestly (1 Timothy 2:9)**
 - Let clothing reflect **dignity and godliness**, not vanity.
3. **Invest in Eternal Things**
 - Use resources to **bless others** (Proverbs 11:25) rather than chasing trends.
4. **Embrace God's Design**
 - Reject societal pressure; **you are fearfully made (Psalm 139:14)**.

Conclusion: Beauty That Lasts

Ask yourself:

- *“Does my lifestyle reflect more concern for outward looks or Christlike character?”*
- *“Would people remember me for my godliness or just my appearance?”*

Action Step:

- **Fast from makeup/fashion for a week** and devote that time to **prayer or serving the needy**.

True beauty **radiates from a heart surrendered to God**. As you seek **His approval over man's**, your life will leave **a legacy of eternal impact**.

“Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman [or man] who fears the Lord is to be praised.”
(Proverbs 31:30).

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