

Description

The Open Heaven 6 May 2025 devotional for today is LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION III.

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OPEN HEAVEN 6 MAY 2025 TODAY DEVOTIONAL

TOPIC: LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION III

MEMORISE

The counsel of the LORD standeth for ever, the thoughts of his heart to all generations. Psalm 33:11

READ: Genesis 50:16-20

16 And they sent a messenger unto Joseph, saying, Thy father did command before he died, saying, 17 So shall ye say unto Joseph, Forgive, I pray thee now, the trespass of thy brethren, and their sin; for they did unto thee evil: and now, we pray thee, forgive the trespass of the servants of the God of thy father. And Joseph wept when they spake unto him.

- 18 And his brethren also went and fell down before his face; and they said, Behold, we be thy servants.
- 19 And Joseph said unto them, Fear not: for am I in the place of God?
- 20 But as for you, ye thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as it is this

RCCG OPEN HEAVEN 6 MAY 2025 TODAY MESSAGE

As I conclude the teaching I started two days ago, I want you to take special note of today's memory verse. It tells us that God's counsel will stand forever. This implies that no matter what anyone tries, God's plan for your life can never be changed. Isaiah 46:10 says, "...My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure:"

When things that do not seem to align with God's plan for your life start happening to you, don't despair; trust God and be confident that He is able to make all things work together for your good. For example, in the Bible, God showed Joseph a glimpse of His plan for his life in two dreams (Genesis 37:5-9).

However, instead of keeping his mouth shut, he announced the dreams to his brothers and parents. His brothers got angry and sold him into slavery. They thought they were destroying him, but little did they know that they were helping Him towards his destiny.

After he was brought into Potiphar's house, tragedy struck again, and he found himself in prison. I'm sure the devil must have mocked him and asked, "Now, what has become of your big dreams?" However, God never fails to bring His word to pass; He hastens His word to perform it (Jeremiah 1:12). The bigger the challenges, the more He will showcase His mighty power.

God had a great destiny prepared for David, but the moment the oil came upon his head and he was anointed as king, it seemed all hell was let loose upon him. He became a fugitive for 13 years, moving from one hideout to another. In his psalms, he recorded how he felt during that season (Psalm 88:15, Psalm 25:16).

However, despite all he faced, he still became Israel's king as God ordained. I am sure that was why he said, "Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all" (Psalm 34:19).

Beloved, no matter how much the enemy tries to stop you from achieving that glorious destiny that God has prepared for you, I want you to know that all things will work together for your good when you love God, and you are aligned with His purpose (Romans 8:28).

Loving God means that you must obey all His commands (John 14:15). Don't lose hope when negative circumstances come your way. Trust in God, obey all His commandments, and He will surely bring you to a glorious end in Him.

KEY POINT

No matter the difficulties you may be facing in your life, God is able to make all things work together for your good.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

1 Chronicles 24-26

RCCG HYMN 30: WHEN WE WALK WITH THE LORD

OPEN HEAVEN DEVOTIONAL 6 MAY 2025 COMMENTARY

Memorise: Psalm 33:11 (KJV)

This verse anchors the devotional's core truth: **God's plans are eternal, unshakable, and unstoppable**—no human or demonic force can alter them.

Bible Reading: Genesis 50:16-20 (KJV)

Joseph's declaration reveals **God's sovereignty**—He **redeems even evil intentions** to fulfill His divine purpose.

Key Lessons from the Devotional:

- 1. God's Plan Is Immovable (Isaiah 46:10)
 - God declares: "My counsel shall stand."
 - Implication: Your destiny is not subject to human interference (Job 42:2).
 - Example: Joseph's brothers sold him, but God sent him ahead to save nations (Genesis 45:7-8).

2. Trials Are Part of the Process

- Joseph's Path to Destiny:
 - o Dreams? Betrayal? Slavery? False Accusation? Prison? Promotion.
 - God used each delay and pain to position him (Psalm 105:17-19).
- David's Anointing vs. Adversity:
 - Anointed as king? Hunted by Saul for 13 years? Crowned.

 Lesson: The greater the destiny, the fiercer the opposition—but God always delivers (Psalm 34:19).

3. The Enemy's Attacks Backfire

- Satan's tactics (through Joseph's brothers, Potiphar's wife, prison):
 - Aimed to destroy him.
 - Actually accelerated his rise.
- Modern Application:
 - Rejection, betrayal, or delays may feel like setbacks, but God uses them as setups (Romans 8:28).

4. How to Stay Aligned with God's Plan

- 1. **Keep Trusting** (Proverbs 3:5-6).
 - o Joseph never abandoned his faith, even in prison (Genesis 39:21-23).
- 2. Stay Obedient (John 14:15).
 - o Partial obedience (like Saul) disqualifies; full obedience promotes.
- 3. Wait Patiently (Habakkuk 2:3).
 - o David waited 13 years—God's timing is perfect.
- 4. Praise in the Process (Acts 16:25).
 - Joseph and David worshipped in their trials, and God turned things around.

5. The Guarantee: God Will Perform His Word (Jeremiah 1:12)

- If God **spoke it** (dreams, prophecies, promises), He **will do it** (Numbers 23:19).
- Your role: Cooperate through faith and obedience.

When Life Doesn't Make Sense...

- Question: "Why would God let Joseph suffer if He had a great plan?"
- Answer:
 - o Character Development: Prison refined Joseph's leadership (Psalm 105:18-19).
 - o Divine Timing: He had to arrive in Egypt at the right moment to meet Pharaoh's need.
 - o Ultimate Purpose: To save Israel and foreshadow Christ's redemption.

Practical Applications

?? For the Discouraged:

- Your "pit" or "prison" is **not your end**—it's part of your **training ground**.
- Pray: "God, help me see Your hand in this season."

?? For the Impatient:

- David's 13-year wait preserved his humility.
- Pray: "Lord, teach me to trust Your timing."

?? For the Attacked:

- Like Joseph, don't retaliate—let God fight for you (Romans 12:19).
- Declare: "What the enemy meant for evil, God will turn for good!"

Warning vs. Encouragement

- Warning: "Don't resist God's process (like Saul)—you'll miss your destiny."
- Encouragement: "If you submit (like Joseph), God will showcase His glory through you."

Conclusion: Hold Onto God's Unchanging Plan

- 1. God's counsel is fixed—no one can change it.
- 2. Your trials have purpose—they're shaping you for greatness.
- 3. Obedience + patience = fulfillment of destiny.

Prayer Response:

"Father, thank You that Your plans for me are perfect. When life feels chaotic, remind me that You're still directing my story. Help me to trust, obey, and wait on You—knowing that my end will be glorious. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Final Encouragement:

*"God doesn't call the qualified; He qualifies the called—through the process."

Will you trust Him in yours today?

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