

## Open Heaven 17 July 2025 Today Devotional & Commentary

### Description

The Open Heaven 17 July 2025 devotional for today is BECAUSE YOU ASK NOT.

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## **OPEN HEAVEN 17 JULY 2025 TODAY DEVOTIONAL**

**TOPIC: BECAUSE YOU ASK NOT**

**MEMORISE:**

Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.  
John 16:24

**READ: John 6:5-13**

5 When Jesus then lifted up his eyes, and saw a great company come unto him, he saith unto Philip, Whence shall we buy bread, that these may eat?

6 And this he said to prove him: for he himself knew what he would do.

7 Philip answered him, Two hundred pennyworth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little.

8 One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, saith unto him,

9 There is a lad here, which hath five barley loaves, and two small fishes: but what are they among so many?

10 And Jesus said, Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand.

11 And Jesus took the loaves; and when he had given thanks, he distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes as much as they would.

12 When they were filled, he said unto his disciples, Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost.

13 Therefore they gathered them together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten.

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## **RCCG OPEN HEAVEN 17 JULY 2025 TODAY MESSAGE**

James 4:2 reveals why some Christians still suffer from lack. Do you know that if you ask God to end lack in your life, He will grant your request? In today's Bible reading, Jesus fed thousands of people with five loaves of bread and two fishes. By the time everybody had been fed, they still had 12 baskets extra. When God provides for your needs, He gives you more than enough to satisfy you. Your big request is a little thing for Him to fulfil.

Years ago, I travelled to London on an official assignment, and three days before my return, I had run out of money and needed £50 to buy some books and tapes. I turned to God, "Daddy, it would be good if I could get £50."

Shortly after, my phone rang. The fellow on the line said, "Biyi?" I told him there was nobody with that name where I was, and as we talked, he got to know who I was. Excitedly, he called out to his brother, telling him that he was speaking with me. Apparently, they had been discussing how they could see me, and now, I was on the phone with them.

Eventually, they came over, we talked, and as they were leaving, they gave me £50. Immediately they left, I said, "Daddy, if I knew it would be this easy, I would've asked for £100."

As I rejoiced over the £50, the doorbell rang, but before I got to the door, an envelope had been slipped under the door. I opened it and realised it came from a wealthy man who had never given me a dime before. Inside was £50 and a note saying, "I just felt like giving you some money." Then, I told God that if I had known that another £50 would come, I would have asked for an extra £50.

That night, before I slept, someone gave me another £50! I became afraid and told God that I was only joking and didn't want to offend Him. God reminded me of this incident recently and told me I had been

foolish. “If you asked Me for £50 and I provided it, why didn’t you ask for £5,000?”

Beloved, find out God’s will concerning your needs and ensure your requests are in alignment with it. Stop complaining about lack in your life; rather, ask God to meet your exact needs. Do not waver in faith, and He will surely answer you.

## OPEN HEAVEN 17 JULY 2025 ACTION POINT

Ask God to provide your needs according to His will, and believe that He is able to fulfil them.

## BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

Isaiah 9-11

## HYMN 27: WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS

# OPEN HEAVEN DEVOTIONAL 17 JULY 2025 COMMENTARY

## MEMORISE: John 16:24

*“Hitherto have ye asked nothing in My name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.”*

This powerful promise from Jesus establishes a divine principle: **God wants us to ask boldly in faith**, aligning our requests with His will so He can fill our lives with **overflowing provision and joy**.

## BIBLE READING: John 6:5-13

The miracle of the **five loaves and two fish** demonstrates God’s **supernatural multiplication** when we surrender what we have to Him. Key lessons:

- **v. 9:** The boy’s **small offering** became the catalyst for a miracle.
- **v. 13:** God’s provision **exceeded the need** (12 baskets leftover).

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## Breaking the Spirit of Lack Through Bold Asking

Pastor E.A. Adeboye’s testimony of receiving **triple £50 miracles** in London reveals profound truths about **God’s willingness to provide abundantly**.

## 1. Why Believers Still Experience Lack (James 4:2-3)

- **You Have Not, Because You Ask Not**
  - Many suffer needlessly due to **unasked prayers** (Matthew 7:7-8).
  - Like Adeboye's initial **£50 request**, we often **under-ask** out of small thinking.
- **Asking Amiss**
  - Some pray **outside God's will** (e.g., greedy motives—Proverbs 10:22).

## 2. God's Provision Principle: "More Than Enough"

- **The 12-Basket Overflow (John 6:13):**
  - God doesn't just meet needs—He **exceeds them** (Ephesians 3:20).
- **The £50 Triplication:**
  - Adeboye's story shows God **releases multiple streams** when we ask in faith.

## 3. How to Activate Divine Supply

1. **Ask Specifically (Mark 10:51)**
  - Jesus asked Bartimaeus, "*What do you want Me to do?*" **Name your need.**
2. **Ask in Alignment with God's Will (1 John 5:14-15)**
  - Study Scripture to know **what God promises** (e.g., Philippians 4:19).
3. **Ask Without Doubt (James 1:6-7)**
  - Adeboye's **hesitation to ask for £5,000** revealed **unnecessary self-limitation**.
4. **Surrender What You Have (John 6:9)**
  - Like the boy's loaves, give God **your "little"** to multiply.

## 4. The Danger of Complaining vs. Asking

- **Israel in the Wilderness (Numbers 11:1-6):**
  - Complaining **delayed provision**; faith **activates it**.
- **Modern Application:**
  - Replace "*God, why am I broke?*" with "*Father, supply £X for [specific need].*"

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## Why We Under-Ask

1. **False Humility** – Thinking big requests are "greedy."
2. **Small Faith** – Underestimating God's power (Matthew 17:20).
3. **Ignorance of Promises** – Not knowing **Psalms 84:11, 2 Corinthians 9:8, etc.**

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## Steps to Break Free from Lack

1. **Audit Your Prayers**

- Are they **specific and bold** or vague and timid?
  - 2. **Study God's Provision Promises**
    - Meditate on **Jeremiah 29:11, Malachi 3:10, Luke 6:38.**
  - 3. **Activate Faith with Action**
    - Like the widow gathering vessels (2 Kings 4:3), **prepare for overflow.**
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## Conclusion: Your Father Wants to Give

### Ask yourself:

- *"What have I been afraid to ask God for?"*
- *"Do I truly believe no request is too big for Him?"*

### Prayer:

*"Father, forgive me for thinking small. Today, I ask boldly for [specific need], trusting Your promise to supply all my needs according to Your riches in glory (Philippians 4:19). In Jesus' name, Amen!"*

Remember: **God is not offended by big requests—He's offended by faithless silence.** Ask, believe, and watch Him **exceed your expectations!**

*"Give, and it shall be given unto you... pressed down, shaken together, and running over." (Luke 6:38).*

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