Life Changing Prayer-Week Two 5-day Devotional

Day 1: Embracing Brokenness

Reading: Psalm 51:1-17

Devotional: David's heartfelt plea for forgiveness in Psalm 51 echoes the theme of brokenness we see in the story of the woman with the alabaster jar. Like her, David recognized his need for God's transformative grace. Today, reflect on areas in your life where you might be resisting God's work. Are there parts of your heart you're holding back? Remember, it's in our brokenness that God's strength is perfected. Consider praying, "God, break me," allowing Him to reshape you according to His will. True worship often comes from a place of vulnerability and surrender.

Day 2: The Power of Extravagant Worship

Reading: Mark 14:3-9

Devotional: The woman's act of pouring out expensive perfume on Jesus was more than just a gesture - it was a complete surrender of her past and future. What is your "alabaster jar"? What valuable thing are you holding onto that God might be asking you to surrender? Extravagant worship isn't about the monetary value of what we give, but about the heart behind it. Today, consider how you can worship God in a way that costs you something, whether it's time, comfort, or a treasured possession. Remember, nothing is too precious to offer to the One who gave everything for us.

Day 3: Breaking Bread, Breaking Barriers

Reading: Luke 22:14-20

Devotional: Jesus' last supper with His disciples was a powerful symbol of His impending sacrifice. As He broke the bread, He was foreshadowing how His body would be broken for us. This act of "breaking" wasn't just about physical suffering, but about breaking down the barriers between God and humanity. Today, consider the barriers in your own life - prejudices, fears, or sins that separate you from God or others. Ask God to help you break these down, just as Christ's body was broken to bring us near to God. How can you extend this "breaking of bread" to others, inviting them into fellowship and reconciliation?

Day 4: Poured Out for Others

Reading: Philippians 2:1-11

Devotional: Paul's description of Christ's humility and sacrifice aligns with the image of being "poured out" that we see in the Last Supper. Jesus emptied Himself completely for our sake. As His followers, we're called to have the same mindset. Today, reflect on how you can "pour yourself out" in service to others. This might mean giving your time, using your talents, or offering encouragement to someone in need. Remember, when we empty ourselves in love and service, God fills us with His presence and purpose.

Day 5: From Brokenness to Wholeness

Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:7-18

Devotional: Paul's words remind us that we are like fragile clay jars containing a precious treasure - the light and power of Christ. Our brokenness isn't a flaw to be hidden, but a means through which God's glory can shine. Today, instead of trying to hide your weaknesses or past hurts, offer them to God. Ask Him to use your brokenness as a testimony of His healing power. Remember, it's often through our deepest wounds that we can minister most effectively to others. How can you use your story of brokenness and restoration to encourage someone else today?