

REMAIN IN HIM

A LIFE ANCHORED IN TRUTH
AND WORSHIP

RELATIONSHIP

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SCRIPTURE

1 JOHN 2:24-28 (BSB)

[24] AS FOR YOU, LET WHAT YOU HAVE HEARD FROM THE BEGINNING REMAIN IN YOU. IF IT DOES, YOU WILL ALSO REMAIN IN THE SON AND IN THE FATHER.

[25] AND THIS IS THE PROMISE THAT HE HIMSELF MADE TO US: ETERNAL LIFE.

[26] I HAVE WRITTEN THESE THINGS TO YOU ABOUT THOSE WHO ARE TRYING TO DECEIVE YOU.

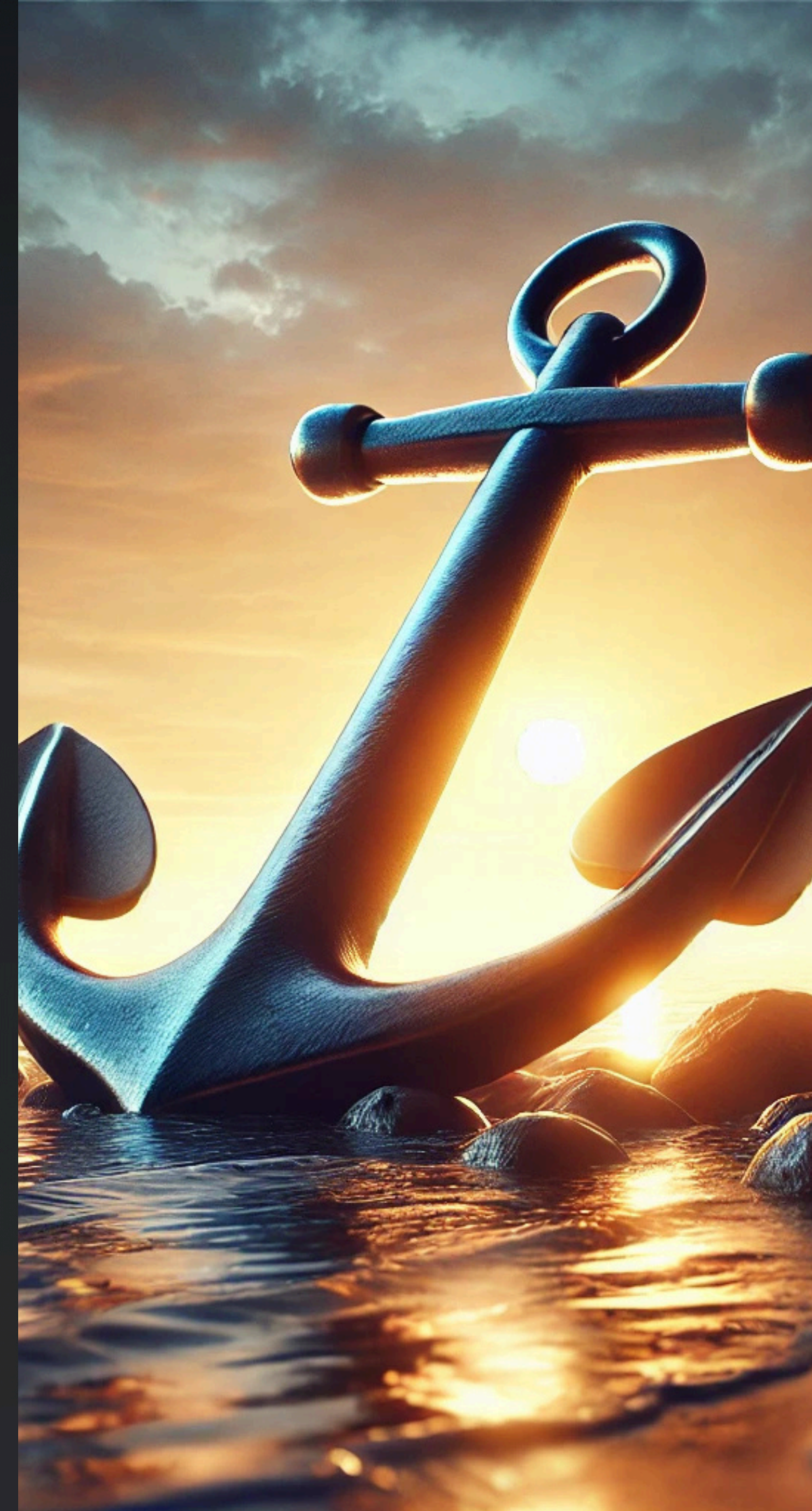
[27] AND AS FOR YOU, THE ANOINTING YOU RECEIVED FROM HIM REMAINS IN YOU, AND YOU DO NOT NEED ANYONE TO TEACH YOU. BUT JUST AS HIS TRUE AND GENUINE ANOINTING TEACHES YOU ABOUT ALL THINGS, SO REMAIN IN HIM AS YOU HAVE BEEN TAUGHT.

[28] AND NOW, LITTLE CHILDREN, REMAIN IN CHRIST, SO THAT WHEN HE APPEARS, WE MAY BE CONFIDENT AND UNASHAMED BEFORE HIM AT HIS COMING.

FOCUS

Let the truth you heard from the beginning remain in you. This truth is your anchor and assurance of eternal life.

- The Danger: Many will attempt to deceive you, twisting God's Word and leading you astray.
- The Solution: Trust in the anointing—the Holy Spirit. He teaches you all things and keeps you rooted in truth.





Application

Be Vigilant:

- Not every voice is from God; filter teachings through Scripture and the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Stay Close to Christ:

- So that you can stand confident and unashamed at His return.

HOW TO REMAIN: THE PURSUIT OF WORSHIP

“Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.”

-Matthew 7:7-8

Remaining in Christ requires a posture of active pursuit. True worship is not a passive act but a deliberate pursuit of God's heart.



Which way?

The Wrong Way to Pursue

Through intellect alone.

Do not approach God's Word as merely an academic exercise or a way to impress others. This can and will lead to pride rather than growth in Christ.

The Right Way to Pursue

With your heart.

Worship deepens your understanding of the Father's love, fosters intimacy, and transforms your life.

- Approach the Bible like a diary—a personal and intimate revelation of God's love for you.
- Read with curiosity and expectancy, as Matthew 7:7-8 encourages.

SCRIPTURE TEXT FOR JOURNAL ENTRY 1

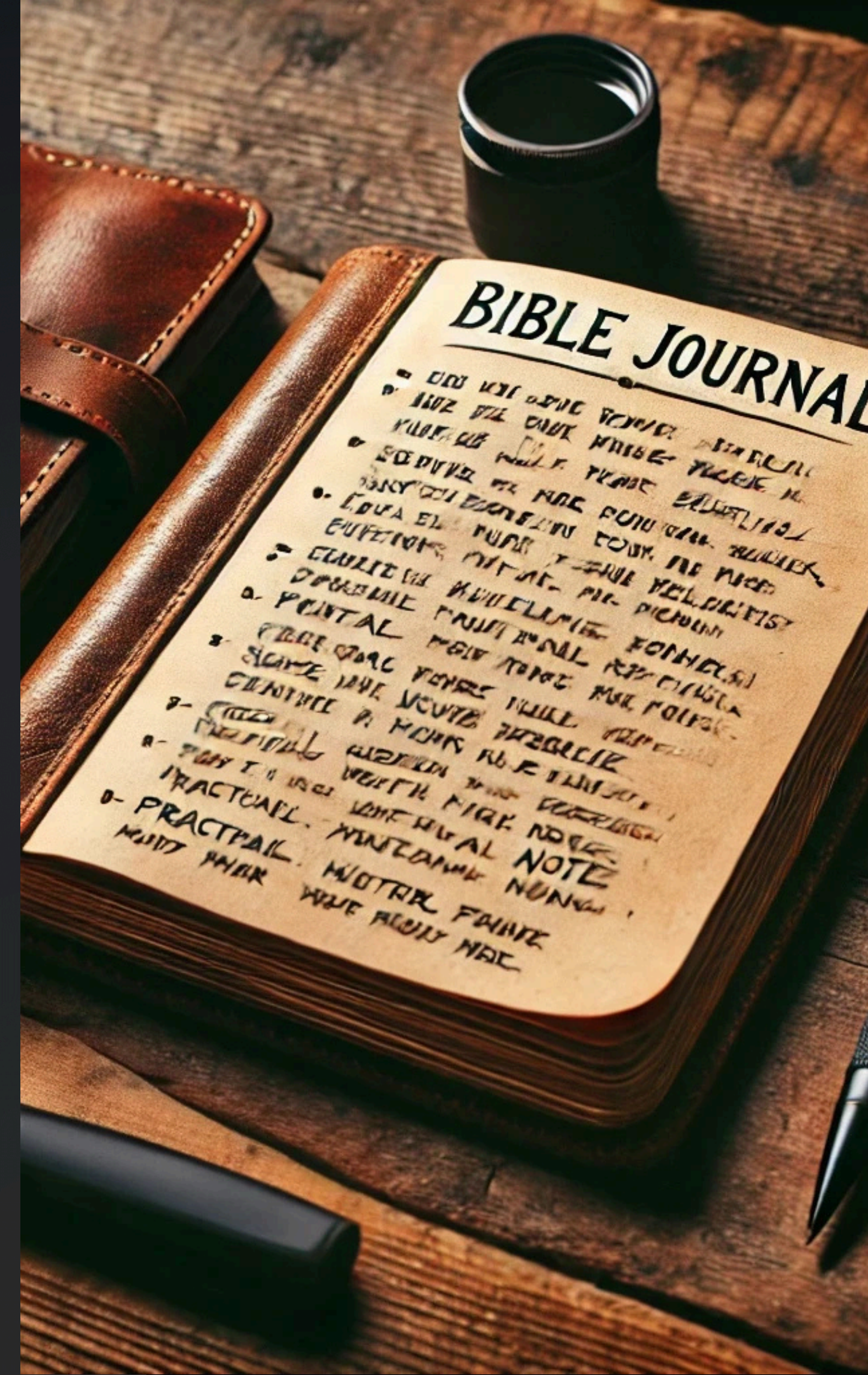
Isaiah 7:14 (BSB):

“Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign:
Behold, the virgin will be with child and will give
birth to a son, and will call Him Immanuel.”

Matthew 1:22-23 (BSB):

[22] All this took place to fulfill what the Lord
had said through the prophet:

[23] “Behold, the virgin will be with child and
will give birth to a son, and they will call Him
Immanuel” (which means, “God with us”).



Journal Entry 1:

I Am Immanuel—God with You

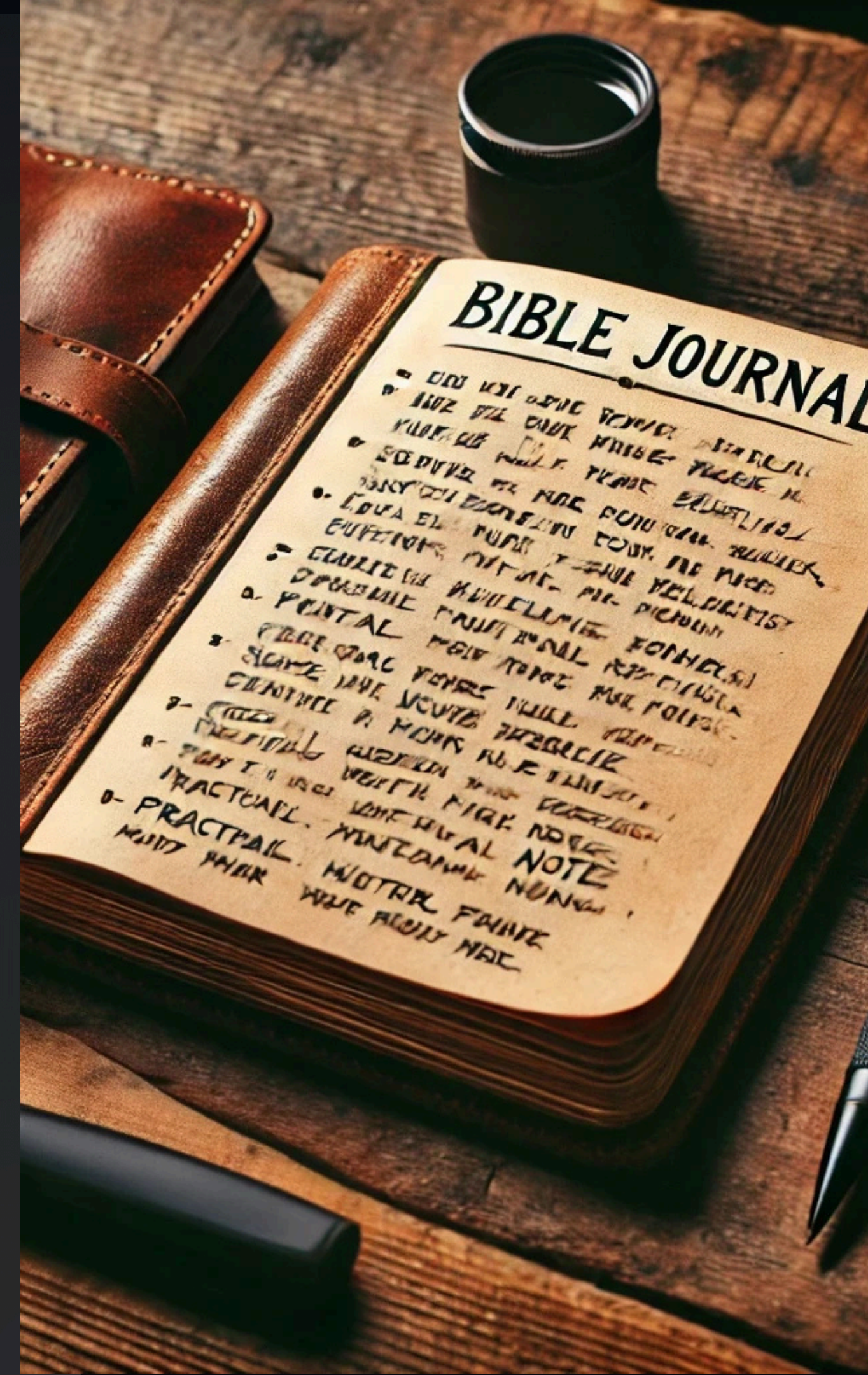
“My beloved, remember this: I am Immanuel, God with you. Long ago, the prophet foretold My coming—a virgin would give birth to a son, and He would be called Immanuel. This prophecy was fulfilled in Me because I chose to dwell among you. I am not far off; I am near. Whatever you face, know that I see you, I walk with you, and I am for you. Let your heart rest in the truth that My presence is constant. Trust in Me, for I came to be with you in every moment of your life.”

SCRIPTURE TEXT FOR JOURNAL ENTRY 2

John 14:6-7 (BSB):

[6] Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

[7] If you had known Me, you would know My Father as well. From now on you do know Him and have seen Him.”



Journal Entry 2:

I Am the Way, the Truth, and the Life

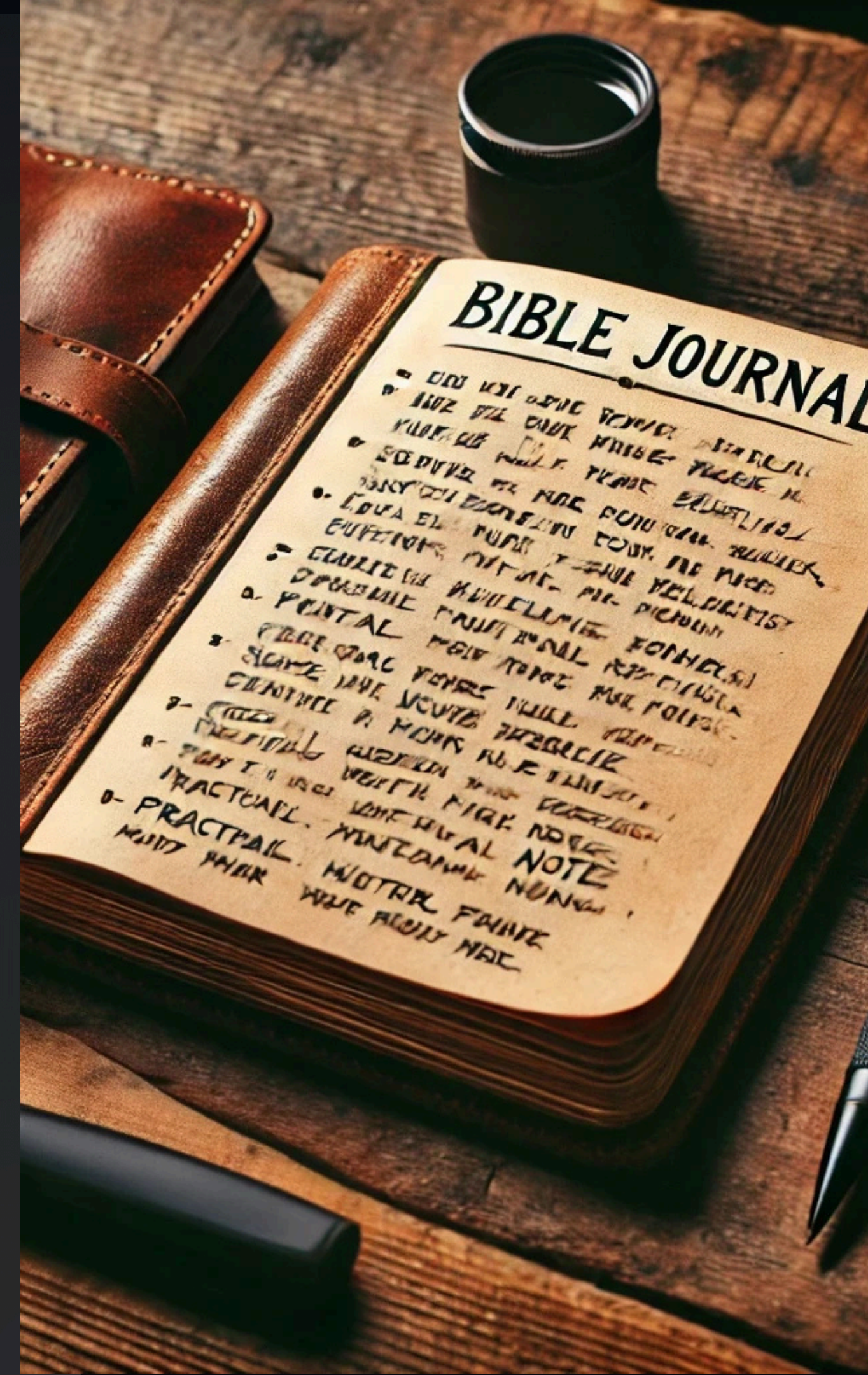
“I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. If you know Me, then you know the Father as well. You do not need to search for many paths; I am the only way to Him. In knowing Me, you see the truth of God’s love and the life He offers. Do not be afraid or unsure—I am your guide, your anchor, and your hope. From now on, you know the Father, for you have seen Him in Me. Come, follow Me, and I will lead you into the fullness of life.”

SCRIPTURE TEXT FOR JOURNAL ENTRY 3

John 10:9-10 (BSB):

[9] I am the gate. If anyone enters through Me, he will be saved. He will come in and go out and find pasture.

[10] The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I have come that they may have life, and have it in all its fullness.



Journal Entry 3:

I Am the Gate to Abundant Life

I am the gate. If you enter through Me, you will be saved. You will find safety, rest, and provision. The thief comes only to steal, kill, and destroy, but I came so that you may have life and have it in abundance. This is My promise to you: through Me, you will find everything you need. Step into My pasture where peace, joy, and purpose abound. Trust in Me to protect you, to guide you, and to provide for you. I came to give you life, not in part, but in all its fullness. Will you come and walk through the gate? I am waiting for you.

Journal Entry:

A Warning and a Hope

“My beloved, hold tightly to what you have heard from the beginning. The truth you received—the gospel of My love and salvation—must remain in you. If it does, you will remain in Me and in the Father. This is your anchor, your foundation: the promise of eternal life that I have given you. Do not let it slip away.

Be warned: there are those who will try to deceive you, twisting My words and drawing your heart away from Me. But you are not helpless. The anointing you have received from Me—My Spirit living within you—will guide you into all truth.

Trust in Him; let His teaching confirm what you know deep in your soul. You do not need every voice that speaks—filter everything through My truth. Stay rooted in what you have been taught.

Little children, remain in Me. Stay close to Me, for the time will come when I will appear again. On that day, let your confidence be complete and your heart unashamed. I long for you to stand before Me, fully secure in My love, having walked faithfully in the truth.”



Conclusion

Ask yourself: What am I truly pursuing—intellectual growth or a deeper connection with God through heartfelt devotion? I am being easily blown back and forth by every wind of deceptive doctrine?

Choose today to remain in Him with lamps filled with oil, so that when He appears, you will stand confident and unashamed in His presence.