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DAILY DEVOTIONS

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| Sept. 1 | M | Prayer of Humility | Matthew 6:9–15 | Oct. 17 | F | Peter Follows Through | Acts 10:17–23 |
| Sept. 2 | T | Prayer of Gratitude | 2 Chronicles 6:1–15 | Oct. 18 | S | God is For All | Acts 10:39–48 |
| Sept. 3 | W | Open-Hearted Life | 2 Corinthians 6:1–13 | Oct. 19 | S | Peter Takes a Risk | Acts 10:24–38 |
| Sept. 4 | T | Greater Things Through Prayer | John 14:11–13 | Oct. 20 | M | A Light to the Nations | Acts 10:24–38 |
| Sept. 5 | F | No One Else | Acts 4:1–12 | Oct. 21 | T | Water for Everyone | John 4:3–14 |
| Sept. 6 | S | No Other Authority | Acts 4:13–22 | Oct. 22 | W | Your Gentle Defense | 1 Peter 3:13–18 |
| Sept. 7 | S | Praying for One Another | Acts 4:23–31 | Oct. 23 | T | Strangers Become Heaven's Citizens | Ephesians 2:11–22 |
| Sept. 8 | M | Rescuing the Weak | Psalms 82 | Oct. 24 | F | Good News to Great Joy | Acts 8:4–8 |
| Sept. 9 | T | Living Blamelessly | Psalms 26 | Oct. 25 | S | Called Christians | Acts 10:19–26 |
| Sept. 10 | W | Sharing Generously | 1 Timothy 5:11–19 | Oct. 26 | S | Trusting the Spirit | Acts 11:1–18 |
| Sept. 11 | T | Sharing with All | Isaiah 1:15–18 | Oct. 27 | M | The Rock That Saves | Psalms 18:1–9 |
| Sept. 12 | F | Sharing Troubles | Philippians 4:1–14 | Oct. 28 | T | The Shepherd Who Restores | Psalms 80:1–3, 7, 17–19 |
| Sept. 13 | S | Sharing Out of Abundance | Luke 3:10–16 | Oct. 29 | W | God Saves Daniel | Daniel 6:19–23 |
| Sept. 14 | S | Sharing All Things | Acts 4:34–5:10 | Oct. 30 | T | The Faithful God | Daniel 6:25–28 |
| Sept. 15 | M | The Cause of Truth | Psalms 45:1–4, 6–7 | Oct. 31 | F | God Saves Paul | Acts 27:14–25 |
| Sept. 16 | T | The Life of Truth | Proverbs 14:22–29 | Nov. 1 | S | The Freeing God | Acts 12:12–18 |
| Sept. 17 | W | The Power of Truth | Luke 4:14–19 | Nov. 2 | S | Prayer Works! | Acts 12:1–11 |
| Sept. 18 | T | Avoid Foolishness; Live Truthfully | 2 Timothy 2:14–16, 22–26 | Nov. 3 | M | Thanking God | Romans 1:8–15 |
| Sept. 19 | F | Trustworthy and Truth | Revelation 22:1–7 | Nov. 4 | T | The Forgiving God | Nehemiah 9:6–21 |
| Sept. 20 | S | Prevailing Truth | Acts 4:5–12 | Nov. 5 | W | Abundant Grace | Romans 16:25–27 |
| Sept. 21 | S | Witnessing to the Truth | Acts 5:27–29, 33–42 | Nov. 6 | T | Accessible God | Hebrews 4:12–16 |
| Sept. 22 | M | Remembering God's Commands | Deuteronomy 7:1–11 | Nov. 7 | F | God is Making All Things New | Revelation 21:1–5 |
| Sept. 23 | T | Remembering God's Love | Psalms 31:1–5, 19–24 | Nov. 8 | S | Grace for Gentiles | Galatians 3:6–14 |
| Sept. 24 | W | Remembering God's Word | Psalms 119:89–94 | Nov. 9 | S | God Makes No Distinction | Acts 15:1–12 |
| Sept. 25 | T | Remembering God's Grace | 1 Corinthians 1:1–9 | Nov. 10 | M | The Way We Should Go | Jeremiah 26:1–6 |
| Sept. 26 | F | Remembering God's Will | 1 Thessalonians 5:16–25 | Nov. 11 | T | Boundless Riches of Christ | Ephesians 3:7–12 |
| Sept. 27 | S | Responding to God's Faithfulness | Acts 6:7–15 | Nov. 12 | W | Generosity of God | Ezekiel 36:22–30 |
| Sept. 28 | S | Remembering God's Faithfulness | Acts 7:2–4, 8–10, 17, 33–34, 45–47, 53 | Nov. 13 | T | The Cost of Following | Matthew 8:18–22 |
| Sept. 29 | M | Never Moved | Psalms 15 | Nov. 14 | F | Paul and Silas in Prison | Acts 16:16–24 |
| Sept. 30 | T | Be Content | Hebrews 13:5–10 | Nov. 15 | S | Paul and Silas Escape | Acts 16:25–40 |
| Oct. 1 | W | Stand Firm | Ephesians 6:14–18 | Nov. 16 | S | From Derbe to Philippi | Acts 16:1–5, 8–15 |
| Oct. 2 | T | Stand Boldly | Acts 13:52–14:3 | Nov. 17 | M | Creator God | Deuteronomy 32:1–12 |
| Oct. 3 | F | Stand Regardless | Acts 8:1–8 | Nov. 18 | T | Promises of God for All | Genesis 9:8–17 |
| Oct. 4 | S | Stand Ready | Acts 8:26–40 | Nov. 19 | W | Blessing of God for All | Genesis 12:1–4 |
| Oct. 5 | S | The Spirit is Not For Sale | Acts 8:9–24 | Nov. 20 | T | Majesty of God | Psalms 8 |
| Oct. 6 | M | God's Perfect Way | Psalms 18:20–30 | Nov. 21 | F | Goodness of God | Psalms 33:13–22 |
| Oct. 7 | T | God's Trustworthy Way | Psalms 112:1–2, 6–9 | Nov. 22 | S | Reign of God | Psalms 47 |
| Oct. 8 | W | God's Holy Way | 1 Peter 1:16–19 | Nov. 23 | S | Thessalonica, Berea, and Athens | Acts 17:1–4, 10–12, 22–25, 28 |
| Oct. 9 | T | God's Generous Way | Luke 11:32–36 | Nov. 24 | M | Learning from God | Psalms 25:8–12, 20–21 |
| Oct. 10 | F | God's Surprising Way | Acts 9:1–9 | Nov. 25 | T | Living with God | Psalms 27:4–5, 8–9, 11–14 |
| Oct. 11 | S | God's Unconventional Way | Acts 9:10–19 | Nov. 26 | W | Wisdom from God | Proverbs 16:19–24 |
| Oct. 12 | S | Saul Earns Credibility | Acts 9:19b–31 | Nov. 27 | T | Commissioned to Teach | Matthew 28:16–20 |
| Oct. 13 | M | God's Love Prevails | Romans 8:31–39 | Nov. 28 | F | Teach Me Your Ways | Exodus 33:12–18 |
| Oct. 14 | T | Peter Takes a Risk | Matthew 14:22–23 | Nov. 29 | S | Apollos Grows in Ministry | Acts 18:24–28 |
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Perseverance

By Muta Mwenya

Sometimes I just want to scream, but the words don't come out.
I feel trapped, confused, and sometimes even angry, filled with self-doubt.
Can I really do this? Like can I pull this off?
Not really. Who am I kidding? Never will I be able to stand tall.
It's in those moments, I'm just ready to give up.
This is not for me. I'm not built for this, like I'm in the garden: "please take this cup."
Just then, right then, I feel a little peace, maybe a little hope.
It comes out of a book, a song, whatever it is, it feels real. It helps me cope.
It's a reminder; they said You have a still, small voice.
But when You get to work, that voice turns to thunder; fear can't live, it's gone, it's got no choice.
Can I stay in this moment; will I ever feel this secure?
You tell me to put on my clothes and shoes; man, there's much more to endure.



Courage to Speak Out



Bible Basis: Acts 4:23–31

Bible Truth: Praying for One Another

Latrice had been so excited about going away to college. Even though she was leaving her church, family, and Christian friends behind, this was a new adventure. This was a chance for her to experience adult life and put her Christianity into practice. This was a chance to show her mom and dad, church family, and herself that she could live out, on her own, all of God’s principles that she had been taught for so many years.

After only about two weeks of being at her new school, Latrice felt very homesick and alone. Her roommate was not a Christian and she found it hard to communicate with her. In fact, almost all of her encounters on campus

were with students who liked to party, have a “good time,” and didn’t seem to be living a Christian life at all. Many didn’t even want to hear about Jesus Christ, yet their lives seemed “good.”

Latrice felt afraid and panicked. She felt hopeless and helpless. She made a desperate call to her mom and shared her dilemma. Immediately her mom came down on campus and spent a weekend with her. In their time together, her mom refreshed Latrice’s memory of what God had done in Latrice’s life. They prayed and asked God to give her the courage to speak out about Him and live out her Christian convictions while surrounded by the opposite.

LESSON SCRIPTURE: Acts 4:23–31, KJV— And being let go, they went to their own company, and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said unto them.²⁴ And when they heard that, they lifted up their voice to

God with one accord, and said, Lord, thou art God, which hast made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all that in them is:²⁵ Who by the mouth of thy servant David hast said, Why did the heathen rage, and the people imagine

vain things?²⁶ The kings of the earth stood up, and the rulers were gathered together against the Lord, and against his Christ.²⁷ For of a truth against thy holy child Jesus, whom thou hast anointed, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together,²⁸ For to do whatsoever thy hand and thy counsel determined before to be done.²⁹ And now, Lord, behold

their threatenings: and grant unto thy servants, that with all boldness they may speak thy word,³⁰ By stretching forth thine hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done by the name of thy holy child Jesus.³¹ And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness.

BIBLE LEARNING

In today's lesson, Peter and John had real problems. While they were spreading the Good News, they found themselves facing the same hostile religious leaders who were instrumental in Jesus being crucified in the first place. Even though the religious leaders threatened Peter and John and told them not

to teach about Jesus anymore, Peter and John refused to obey them, but instead obey God. However, they knew that they needed God's help in witnessing for Him. Therefore, when they were released from jail and other believers heard about Peter and John's plight, they all came together and prayed on one accord, seeking God's intervention (vv. 23–24).

STUDENTS' RESPONSES

Check It

1. When did the religious leaders throw Peter and John in jail (Acts 4:3)?
2. How many people got saved after Peter and John witnessed to them (v. 4)?

Think It

1. After Jesus arose from the dead, why didn't the religious leaders acknowledge that He is the Son of God?
2. Why did the religious leaders hate Jesus so much?
3. Why didn't Peter and John just pray that God get rid of their problems—the religious leaders?
4. Why did the believers pray on one accord for power, signs, and miracles to follow Peter and John's witnessing?

Do It

In today's lesson, we discussed spreading the Word of God through our living and witnessing to others. Write down ways that you can witness to your family and also to friends who do not know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

Keep It

“And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness” (Acts 4:31, KJV).

Stingy Stinks



Bible Basis: Acts 4:34–5:10
Bible Truth: Sharing All Things

I'm really not feeling this," Kelly said to herself. Kelly's mother had asked her to clean out her closet and gather all the clothing and shoes she no longer wore to donate for the back-to-school clothing drive. "I wonder if she expects me to get rid of these shoes I only wore once too?"

"Kelly!" her mother yelled. "Let's go. We only have 20 minutes to get to the church to drop off these clothes and shoes!"

"I'll be down in a second!" Kelly quickly put the rest of the clothes and shoes in separate boxes. She grabbed all of the items she no longer wore except for that one pair of shoes.

A couple weeks later, Kelly's mom was straightening Kelly's room when she noticed the shoes tucked away in her closet. "Kelly!"

"Yeah?" Kelly replied.

"Why are these shoes still in here when I told you to give all of your old clothes to charity?"

"Sorry, Mom, but I just couldn't do it. I've only worn them once, so I wasn't ready to get rid of them yet."

"Kelly, your father and I got you those shoes years ago, and if you've only worn them once, that's your fault. I can't believe you; I'm honestly disappointed in you for not wanting to give away something in order to help others."

LESSON SCRIPTURE: Acts 4:34–5:10, KJV—Neither was there any among them that lacked: for as many as were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the prices of the things that were sold,³⁵ And laid them down at the apostles' feet: and distribution was made

unto every man according as he had need.³⁶ And Joses, who by the apostles was surnamed Barnabas, (which is, being interpreted, The son of consolation,) a Levite, and of the country of Cyprus,³⁷ Having land, sold it, and brought the money, and laid it at the apostles' feet.

5:1 But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession,² And kept back part of the price, his wife also being privy to it, and brought a certain part, and laid it at the apostles' feet.³ But Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost, and to keep back part of the price of the land?⁴ Whiles it remained, was it not thine own? and after it was sold, was it not in thine own power? why hast thou conceived this thing in thine heart? thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God.⁵ And Ananias hearing these words fell down, and gave up the ghost: and great fear came on all them that heard these things.⁶ And the young

men arose, wound him up, and carried him out, and buried him.⁷ And it was about the space of three hours after, when his wife, not knowing what was done, came in.⁸ And Peter answered unto her, Tell me whether ye sold the land for so much? And she said, Yea, for so much.⁹ Then Peter said unto her, How is it that ye have agreed together to tempt the Spirit of the Lord? behold, the feet of them which have buried thy husband are at the door, and shall carry thee out.¹⁰ Then fell she down straightway at his feet, and yielded up the ghost: and the young men came in, and found her dead, and, carrying her forth, buried her by her husband.

BIBLE LEARNING

It is always easier to hold on to all the things that belong to you, but that doesn't always make it right. In "Stingy Stinks," Kelly refused to give away a pair of shoes, even though she knew it could possibly help some-

one else in the community. Ananias and Sapphira were also punished for not wanting to give wholeheartedly. If you are going to give, it's best to give your all simply because it's the Christian thing to do.

STUDENTS' RESPONSES

Check It

1. What did Kelly's mother ask her to do?
2. Which item did Kelly decide to keep for herself?
3. Do you think Kelly actually wanted to give to the less fortunate or was she forced? Why?

Think It

1. Why were people rarely poor and hungry in the early church (Acts 4:34–35)?
2. What did Ananias do that was deceitful (Acts 5:1–2)?
3. Did his wife Sapphira know what he was doing (v. 2)?
4. How did Peter react to what Ananias and Sapphira did (vv. 3–4)?
5. What was their punishment for lying to God (vv. 5–10)?

Do It

This week, find new ways to give to others in the community. Challenge yourself to think outside the box and give things other than money. Be prepared to share what you did with the class next week.

Keep It

"Neither was there any among them that lacked: for as many as were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the prices of the things that were sold" (Acts 4:34, KJV).