



# The Power of Surrender

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When we let go of our need to control every aspect of our lives and surrender to God's will, we open ourselves up to His incredible power and wisdom.

Surrender is not a sign of weakness but a profound act of faith. It demonstrates our trust in God's goodness and His ability to orchestrate our lives for His glory and our ultimate benefit.



In the New Testament, we see the ultimate example of surrender in the life of Jesus. In the Garden of Gethsemane, faced with the imminent suffering of the cross, Jesus prayed...

*“Father, if You are willing,  
take this cup from Me; yet  
not My will, but Yours be  
done” (Luke 22:42).*

Despite the agony He  
faced, Jesus surrendered  
His will to the Father's,  
trusting in His perfect  
plan for salvation.



This act of surrender led to the greatest victory the world has ever known—the defeat of sin and death. When we follow Jesus' example and submit our will to God's, we too can experience victory and peace in our lives.

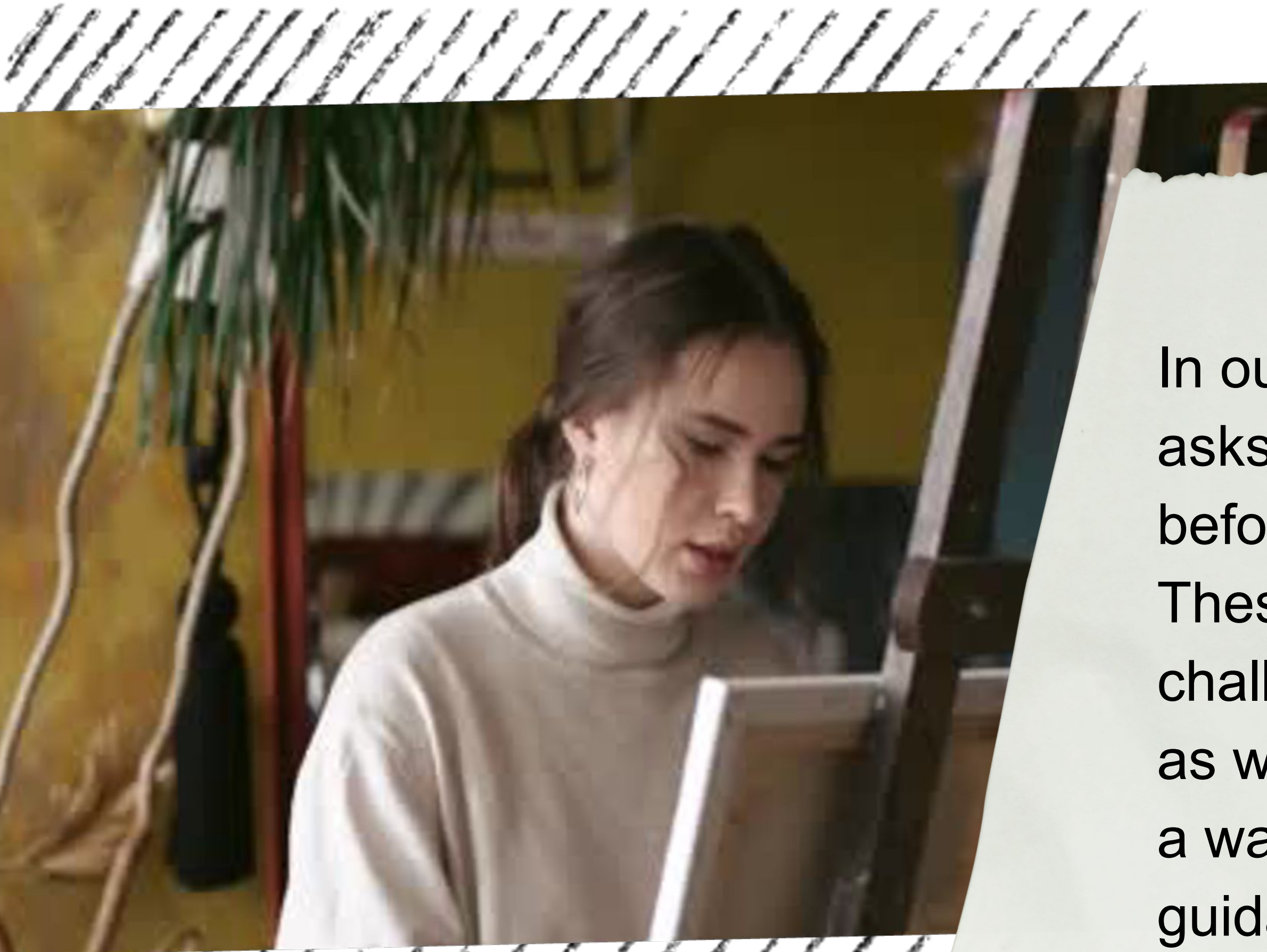
# Walking by Faith

Walking by faith means trusting in God even when we cannot see the outcome. It requires believing in His promises and relying on His character. The Apostle Paul wrote in 2 Corinthians 5:7, *“For we walk by faith, not by sight.”* This kind of faith allows us to move forward, even when the path is unclear, confident that God is with us every step of the way.





- Consider the story of the Israelites crossing the Jordan River. God instructed the priests carrying the Ark of the Covenant to step into the river first, even though it was at flood stage. It was only after they took that step of faith that the waters parted, allowing the Israelites to cross on dry ground (Joshua 3:14-17). Their obedience and faith in God's command made the impossible possible.



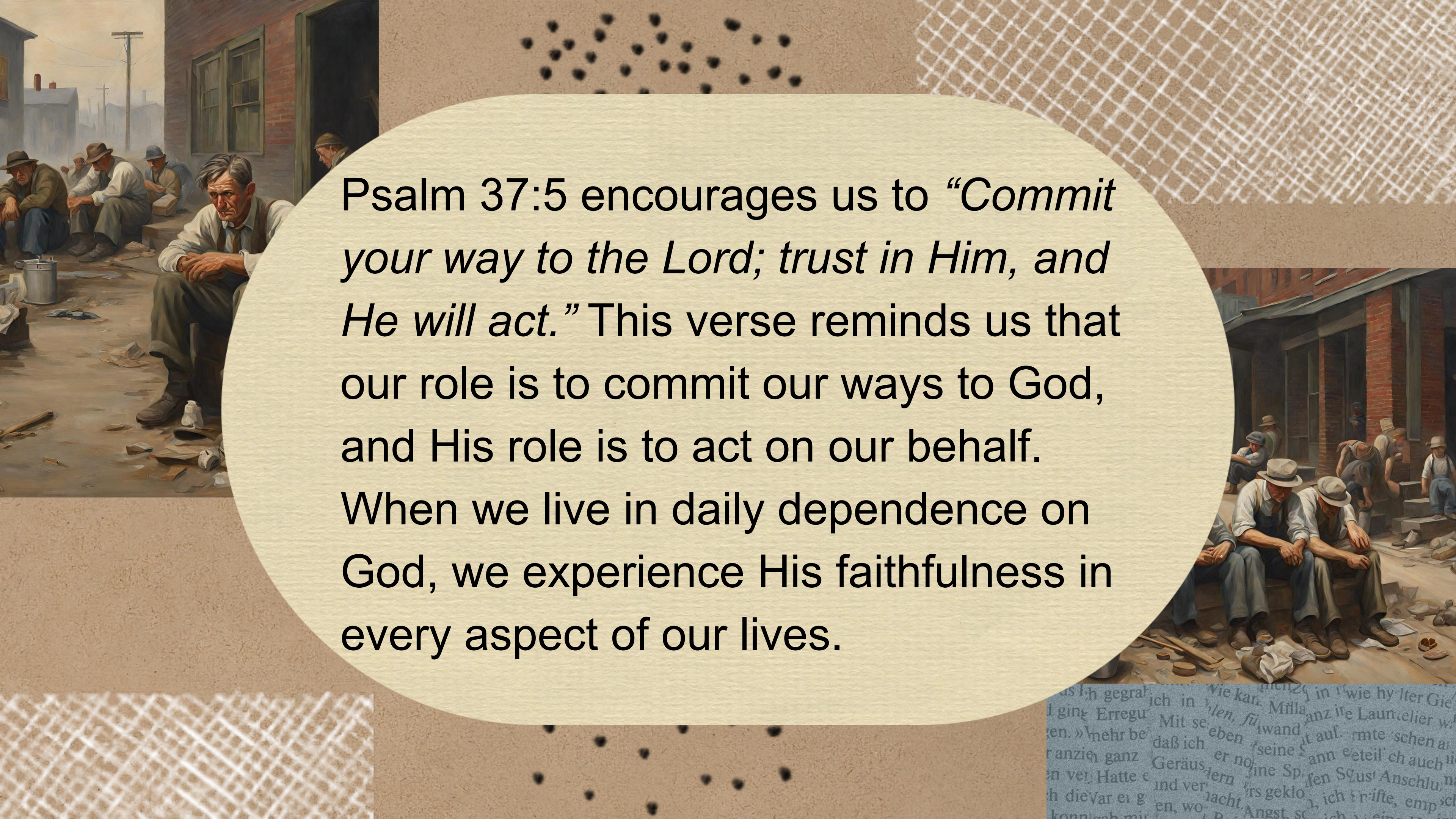
In our own lives, God often asks us to take steps of faith before we see the full picture. These steps might be challenging or frightening, but as we trust Him, He will make a way. His provision and guidance will become evident as we move forward in faith.



# Living in Daily Dependence

Dependence on God should not be reserved for times of crisis; it should be a daily posture. Each day, we can invite God into our decisions, big and small. By doing so, we acknowledge our need for His wisdom and strength.





Psalm 37:5 encourages us to “*Commit your way to the Lord; trust in Him, and He will act.*” This verse reminds us that our role is to commit our ways to God, and His role is to act on our behalf. When we live in daily dependence on God, we experience His faithfulness in every aspect of our lives.

As we journey through life, let us remember that God is the ultimate guide. He knows the best path for us and the perfect timing for everything. By surrendering our plans, walking by faith, and living in daily dependence on Him, we align ourselves with His divine will.





May we find peace and joy in knowing that our lives are in the hands of a loving and all-knowing God. Let us trust Him wholeheartedly, allowing Him to direct our steps and fulfill His beautiful plans for us.

**Dear Heavenly Father,**

Thank You for being our faithful guide and loving Father. Help us to surrender our will to Yours, trusting in Your perfect timing and direction. Strengthen our faith as we walk the path You have set before us. May we live in daily dependence on You, experiencing Your provision and guidance in every aspect of our lives. We commit our ways to You, trusting that You will act on our behalf. In Jesus' name, we pray.

Amen.



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