

# 21-Day Devotional for New Believers

Starting a relationship with Jesus is the most important decision you'll ever make, and we want to help you take your next steps. This 21-day devotional is designed just for you, with daily Bible verses, reflection questions, prayers, and encouragement to help you grow in your new relationship with Him.

As you begin this journey, know that God is with you, and we're here to support you every step of the way.



# Embracing New Life in Christ

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“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation.  
The old has passed, the new has come.”

**2 CORINTHIANS 5:17**

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## DEVOTIONAL

Your decision to follow Jesus marks the beginning of a new life. Just as Christ was resurrected on Easter, you too are raised to a new life in Him. This transformation is not about becoming perfect overnight but about starting a journey of growth and renewal.

## REFLECTION QUESTION

What does being a “new creation” in Christ mean to you personally?

## PRAYER

Lord Jesus, thank You for making me new. Help me to walk in this new life, leaving behind my old ways and embracing the path You have set before me. Amen.

## TAKE YOUR NEXT RIGHT STEP

- Begin reading the Gospel of John to learn more about Jesus’ life and teachings.
- Share your decision to follow Christ with a trusted friend or family member.

# Understanding God's Love

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“But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”

**ROMANS 5:8**

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## DEVOTIONAL

God's love is unconditional and unearned. He didn't wait for us to get our act together; He took the initiative to restore our relationship with Him through Jesus' sacrifice. This love is the foundation of your new life.

## REFLECTION QUESTION

How does knowing God's unconditional love affect your view of yourself and others?

## PRAYER

Father, thank You for loving me even when I was far from You. Help me to grasp the depth of Your love and to extend that love to those around me. Amen.

## TAKE YOUR NEXT RIGHT STEP

- Write a prayer to God expressing gratitude for His love.
- Perform an act of kindness to someone as a reflection of God's love.

# Saved by Grace Through Faith

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“For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.”

**EPHESIANS 2:8-9**

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## DEVOTIONAL

You don't have to earn your way to God. Salvation is a gift, freely offered by His grace and received through faith. That means you are accepted, loved, and saved—not because of anything you've done, but because of everything Jesus did. Rest in that truth today.

## REFLECTION QUESTION

How does it feel to know you don't have to earn God's love or forgiveness?

## PRAYER

God, thank You for saving me by Your grace. Help me trust You more each day and live in the freedom You provide. Amen.

## TAKE YOUR NEXT RIGHT STEP

- Write down what grace means to you.
- Share your story with someone about how you came to believe.

# Talking with God in Prayer

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“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything,  
by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving,  
let your requests be made known to God.”

**PHILIPPIANS 4:6**

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## **DEVOTIONAL**

Prayer is simply talking to God. He invites you to bring your worries, joys, and needs to Him. You don't need special words—just an honest heart. Prayer reminds you that you're not alone. God hears you, and He cares.

## **REFLECTION QUESTION**

What do you want to talk to God about today?

## **PRAYER**

Lord, thank You that I can talk to You anytime. Help me be honest with You and listen for Your voice. Amen.

## **TAKE YOUR NEXT RIGHT STEP**

- Spend five minutes in quiet prayer. Share what's on your heart.
- Start a journal where you write down your prayers each day.

# Forgiven and Free

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“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”

**1 JOHN 1:9**

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## DEVOTIONAL

In Jesus, you are completely forgiven. You don't need to hide or carry guilt anymore. When you confess your sins to God, He is faithful to forgive and to cleanse your heart. That's the power of grace—freedom and peace that only God can give.

## REFLECTION QUESTION

Is there anything you need to confess to God today?

## PRAYER

Jesus, thank You for Your forgiveness. Cleanse me and give me a new start. I trust in Your love and grace. Amen.

## TAKE YOUR NEXT RIGHT STEP

- Take a moment to confess your sins to God in prayer.
- Reflect on how His forgiveness brings peace and freedom.

# Your Identity in Christ

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“But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.”

**JOHN 1:12**

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## DEVOTIONAL

When you said “yes” to Jesus, you became part of God’s family. You are now a child of God—deeply known, loved, and secure. Let this truth anchor your identity. You are not defined by your past, but by who you are in Christ.

## REFLECTION QUESTION

How does knowing you’re a child of God affect your confidence and purpose?

## PRAYER

Father, thank You for adopting me into Your family. Help me to live each day confident in my identity in You. Amen.

## TAKE YOUR NEXT RIGHT STEP

- Say out loud: “I am a child of God – fully known and fully loved.”
- Write down who God says you are according to Scripture.

# Staying Close to Jesus

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“I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.”

**JOHN 15:5**

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## DEVOTIONAL

Jesus invites you to stay close to Him. He wants a daily relationship with you. As you remain connected to Him—through Scripture, prayer, and worship—you’ll grow in faith and produce the kind of life that honors God and blesses others.

## REFLECTION QUESTION

What helps you feel most connected to Jesus during the day?

## PRAYER

Jesus, help me stay close to You. Teach me to rely on You for everything I need. I want my life to reflect You. Amen.

## TAKE YOUR NEXT RIGHT STEP

- Seek God daily by setting a time to read the Bible and pray each day this week.
- Pick a worship song that reminds you to stay connected to Jesus and play it today.



# The Holy Spirit is With You

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“But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all I have said to you.”

**JOHN 14:26**

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## DEVOTIONAL

When you chose to follow Jesus, God gave you the Holy Spirit to live in you. He is your Helper, Teacher, and Comforter. You don't walk this journey alone. The Holy Spirit helps you grow, understand God's Word, and live out your faith.

## REFLECTION QUESTION

Where in your life do you need the Holy Spirit's help today?

## PRAYER

Holy Spirit, thank You for living in me. Help me hear Your voice, follow Your lead, and trust Your strength. Amen.

## TAKE YOUR NEXT RIGHT STEP

- Ask the Holy Spirit to guide you in a specific decision today.
- Read a few verses slowly and ask the Holy Spirit to teach you through them.

# Trusting God in Hard Times

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“Trust in the Lord with all your heart and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.”

## PROVERBS 3:5-6

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### DEVOTIONAL

Life isn't always easy, but you can trust that God is with you and for you. He sees what you can't and knows what's best. Even when things feel uncertain, you can lean on Him. He is faithful to guide your path.

### REFLECTION QUESTION

Is there an area of your life where you're having trouble trusting God?

### PRAYER

God, help me to trust You even when I don't understand. I believe You are good, and I know You are leading me. Amen.

### TAKE YOUR NEXT RIGHT STEP

- Write down a worry and then pray, giving it to God.
- Memorize Proverbs 3:5-6 and say it whenever you feel anxious.

# Reading God's Word

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“Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light to my path.”

**PSALM 119:105**

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## DEVOTIONAL

The Bible is how God speaks to us. It helps us know who He is, what He has done, and how to follow Him. It's not just a book—it's life-giving truth. Reading God's Word regularly will guide and grow you.

## REFLECTION QUESTION

What's one way you can make time to read the Bible each day?

## PRAYER

God, thank You for giving me Your Word. Help me to understand it, love it, and live it. Amen.

## TAKE YOUR NEXT RIGHT STEP

- Start by reading one chapter a day in the Gospel of John.
- Highlight or write down a verse that stands out and reflect on it.

# You Have a Purpose

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“For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.”

**EPHESIANS 2:10**

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## DEVOTIONAL

You were made on purpose, for a purpose. God has good things planned for you—ways you can love, serve, and make a difference. You’re not an accident. You’re part of God’s plan to bring hope to the world.

## REFLECTION QUESTION

What gifts or passions might God want to use in your life?

## PRAYER

God, thank You for creating me with purpose. Show me how I can serve You and love others well. Amen.

## TAKE YOUR NEXT RIGHT STEP

- Ask someone at your church how you can get involved or serve.
- Reflect on the things you enjoy doing. How might God use those to help others?

# Growing in Community

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“And let us consider how to stir up one another on to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together ... but encouraging one another.”

**HEBREWS 10:24-25**

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## DEVOTIONAL

Faith grows best in relationships. God never meant for you to follow Jesus alone. Community helps you stay encouraged, learn from others, and share life. Being part of a church or small group is essential to your spiritual growth.

## REFLECTION QUESTION

Who are the people that help encourage your faith?

## PRAYER

Jesus, thank You for the people You've put in my life. Help me build strong relationships that point me toward You. Amen.

## TAKE YOUR NEXT RIGHT STEP

- Join a small group and build deep relationships with other Christ followers.
- Reach out to someone today who encourages your faith and thank them.

# Battling Temptation

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“No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way out of escape, that you may be able to endure it.”

**1 CORINTHIANS 10:13**

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## DEVOTIONAL

Everyone faces temptation—even Jesus did. But you’re not powerless. God is faithful and always provides a way out. When you feel tempted, ask for His help and choose to follow Him. His Spirit gives you strength.

## REFLECTION QUESTION

Where do you feel tempted to turn away from God’s way?

## PRAYER

Lord, I need Your help. Thank You for giving me strength to resist temptation. Help me follow You even when it’s hard. Amen.

## TAKE YOUR NEXT RIGHT STEP

- Identify one temptation and ask God to help you with it today.
- Talk to a trusted friend or mentor who can pray for you and encourage you.

# Living with Hope

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“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.”

**ROMANS 15:13**

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## DEVOTIONAL

When you follow Jesus, you have real hope—hope that doesn’t depend on your circumstances. Because of Jesus, you can experience peace and joy even in hard times. He is the God of hope, and He fills you so you can share it with others.

## REFLECTION QUESTION

Where do you need to experience God’s hope today?

## PRAYER

God, fill me with Your peace, joy, and hope. Help me trust You and share Your hope with others. Amen.

## TAKE YOUR NEXT RIGHT STEP

- Think of someone who needs encouragement and send them a message of hope.
- Each morning this week, thank God for one reason you have hope.

# Following Jesus Every Day

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“And [Jesus] said to them all: ‘If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me.’”

**LUKE 9:23**

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## DEVOTIONAL

Following Jesus isn't a one-time decision—it's a daily one. It means choosing His way over your own, trusting Him in every part of your life. Some days it's easy, other days it's hard. But every day, He walks with you.

## REFLECTION QUESTION

What is one small way you can follow Jesus today?

## PRAYER

Jesus, I want to follow You every day. Help me say “yes” to You in every part of my life. Amen.

## TAKE YOUR NEXT RIGHT STEP

- Each morning, pray: “Jesus, I choose to follow You today.”
- Look for a choice today where you can choose God's way instead of your own.



# God Is Always With You

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“Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the Lord your God who goes with you. He will never leave you nor forsake you.”

**DEUTERONOMY 31:6**

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## DEVOTIONAL

You are never alone. God is with you on your best days and your hardest days. He promises to never leave you. His presence gives you courage, strength, and peace no matter what you face.

## REFLECTION QUESTION

How does it change your day to know God is with you?

## PRAYER

God, thank You that You never leave me. Help me sense Your presence and live with courage. Amen.

## TAKE YOUR NEXT RIGHT STEP

- Whisper “God is with me” throughout your day.
- Think of a moment when you felt afraid. Invite God into it now.

# Sharing Your Faith

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“In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.”

**MATTHEW 5:16**

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## DEVOTIONAL

Sharing your faith doesn't have to be intimidating. Just be real. Tell others what Jesus has done in your life. As you live out your faith, people will notice—and your story can point them to Jesus.

## REFLECTION QUESTION

Who is one person you could share your story with and make God known?

## PRAYER

Jesus, help me be bold and loving as I share my faith. Use my story to bring hope to someone else. Amen.

## TAKE YOUR NEXT RIGHT STEP

- Write down your story of how you came to faith in Jesus.
- Invite a friend to church or share something God is teaching you.

# Living Generously

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“Each one must give as he has decided in his heart,  
not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves  
a cheerful giver.”

**2 CORINTHIANS 9:7**

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## DEVOTIONAL

God is generous—and He invites you to live generously too. Whether it’s your time, encouragement, money, or kindness, giving reflects the heart of Jesus. Giving isn’t about what you have, but about being willing to share it.

## REFLECTION QUESTION

What’s one way you can be generous today?

## PRAYER

God, thank You for everything You’ve given me. Help me live generously and joyfully. Amen.

## TAKE YOUR NEXT RIGHT STEP

- Look for someone you can bless today—with time, encouragement, or resources.
- Pray about starting to give regularly to your church.

# Serving Like Jesus

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“... through love serve one another.”

**GALATIANS 5:13**

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## DEVOTIONAL

Jesus came to serve, not to be served—and He calls us to do the same. Serving others helps you grow and allows others to see God’s love through you. Whether big or small, every act of service matters.

## REFLECTION QUESTION

Where can you serve someone today, expecting nothing in return?

## PRAYER

Lord, make me more like You. Give me a heart that serves others with love and joy. Amen.

## TAKE YOUR NEXT RIGHT STEP

- Do one thing today that helps someone else, quietly and humbly.
- Ask your church about ways to serve in a ministry or local outreach.

# Building Deep Relationships

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“Two are better than one ...  
For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow.”

**ECCLESIASTES 4:9-10**

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## DEVOTIONAL

God created us for connection. You grow best when you're surrounded by people who love Jesus and encourage your faith. Relationships rooted in Christ help you stay strong and provide support when life gets tough.

## REFLECTION QUESTION

Who in your life encourages your walk with Jesus?

## PRAYER

God, help me build strong, faith-filled relationships. Teach me to be a friend who encourages others too. Amen.

## TAKE YOUR NEXT RIGHT STEP

- Reach out to another Christ follower and ask them to mentor you.
- Consider taking First Step to meet others who are new to Fairhaven.

# Keep Growing

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“Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, so walk in him, rooted and built up in him ... abounding in thanksgiving.”

**COLOSSIANS 2:6-7**

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## DEVOTIONAL

Your journey with Jesus is just beginning. Keep growing, keep learning, and stay rooted in Him. Through prayer, Scripture, community, and the Holy Spirit, God will continue to shape you to be more like Jesus.

## REFLECTION QUESTION

What habits can you build to keep growing in your faith?

## PRAYER

Jesus, thank You for walking with me through these 21 days. Help me stay rooted in You and keep taking my next right step. Amen.

## TAKE YOUR NEXT RIGHT STEP

- Celebrate how far you’ve come—thank God for His work in you.
- Make a plan to keep growing (join a group, serve, read Scripture daily, and share your faith).