Two-Week Devotional: Christ the Shepherd vs. Satan the Thief

# Week – One:

The following is the first week of a two-week devotional that is designed to raise awareness about the contrasts between the mission and methods of Christ, the Good Shepherd, and those of Satan, the thief and father of lies. Each day, we’ll explore a passage of Scripture, engage in spiritual reflection and prayer in order to foster alignment with God’s voice, so that we may live out of abundance rather than alienation.

# Day 1 – Two Missions, One Choice

*John 10:10; Genesis 3:1-5*Contrast Christ's mission of abundance with Satan's mission of alienation. Reflect on how each voice seeks to shape your life.

**Journal Prompt**

Where is scarcity influencing my decisions or mindset today?

**Prayer Prompt**

Jesus, help me hear Your voice of life and abundance today.

# Day 2 – The Power of Naming

*Genesis 2:19-20; Romans 1:20*Explore Adam’s assignment to name as an act of relational trust. Naming leads to abundance. Narrating invites control.

**Journal Prompt**

What truth do I need to name honestly today rather than explain away?

**Prayer Prompt**

God, teach me to name things with clarity and courage.

# Day 3 – Narrative Theft

*Genesis 3:1; 2 Corinthians 4:4*How Satan reframes truth to steal your grip on reality. Examine a recent moment where confusion replaced clarity.

**Journal Prompt**

When have I recently felt uncertain about my identity or God’s work in my life?

**Prayer Prompt**

Lord, restore clarity and remind me what is true.

# Day 4 – The Trap of Co-Authoring

*Genesis 3:5; Romans 1:25*What does it mean to become a co-author of truth? Reflect on where you feel pressured to write your own narrative.

**Journal Prompt**

Where do I feel pressure to adjust the truth to make life seem safer?

**Prayer Prompt**

Holy Spirit, help me let go and follow Your truth.

# Day 5 – Abundance Defined

*John 10:10; Philippians 4:11-13*Biblical abundance (perisson) means an overflow of God’s presence, peace, and purpose in your life—not simply material possessions. Do you equate abundance with having more control, or with experiencing closeness to God?

**Journal Prompt**

How do I presently define abundance in my life?

**Prayer Prompt**

Jesus, draw me near and redefine abundance for me.

# Day 6 – Co-Witness vs. Co-Author

*Isaiah 43:10; John 15:26–27*Reflect on Christ’s invitation to bear witness rather than fabricate truth. Where are you being invited to simply testify to what God has done?

**Journal Prompt**

What story in my life needs to move from performance to testimony?

**Prayer Prompt**

Father, help me witness Your work faithfully today.

# Day 7 – Reality Restored

*2 Corinthians 5:7; John 14:6*Reflect on what it means to walk by faith in the reality God names, rather than realities constructed by shame or fear. Which voice are you choosing to follow today?

**Journal Prompt**

Where do I need to release false narratives and embrace God’s reality?

**Prayer Prompt**

God, help me see through Your truth today.

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