



“A Thankful People Serving a Faithful God”

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LENT DEVOTIONAL 2026

This 40-day journey through the Book of Psalms is to encourage you to draw closer to God through prayer, repentance, sacrifice, adoration, generosity, transformation and gain a renewed perspective of the Resurrection of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

WEEK 1 - RETURNING TO GOD (Repentance)

Day 1 — Wednesday, February 18, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 51:1–2 (KJV): *Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.2 Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin*

Repentance begins with remembering who God is. David doesn't start with his failure; he starts with God's mercy. Lent invites us to do the same. When we come honestly, God doesn't shame us, embarrass us — He washes, restores, and lifts us. These verses remind us that repentance isn't begging; it's returning. It's choosing to believe that God's compassion is much bigger than our mistakes. Today, let God's mercy be the first voice you hear. Let His kindness draw you back, not fear or guilt. You are not beyond cleansing. You are not beyond renewal. God is ready to wash you again.

Day 2 — Thursday, February 19, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 32:1–2 (KJV): *Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.2 Blessed is the man unto whom the Lord imputeth not iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no guile.*

Forgiveness is more than a spiritual idea—it's a freedom. The psalmist describes the blessedness of being covered, cleared, and carried by God's grace. Lent teaches us that confession isn't a burden; it's a doorway to a better you. When we stop hiding, healing begins. God doesn't expose us to embarrass us; He reveals truth to release us. Release us from the the weight you've been

carrying so it doesn't have to stay on your shoulders. Today, breathe in the relief of being forgiven. Let God's grace settle your spirit. Let joy return. Blessed is the one who knows they are fully seen and fully loved.

Day 3 — Friday, February 20, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 38:4 (ESV): *For my iniquities have gone over my head; like a heavy burden, they are too heavy for me.*

There are seasons when the weight of our choices feels overwhelming. David names that weight honestly—no excuses, no deflection. He accepts responsibility. Lent invites us into that same honesty, not to condemn us but to free us. When we acknowledge the heaviness, God meets us with help. The burden that feels “too heavy to bear” is not meant to be carried alone. Today, allow God to lift what you've been dragging. Let Him meet you in the truth of your condition. Repentance is not about drowning in guilt; it's about letting God pull you back to solid ground.

Day 4 — Saturday, February 21, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 6:2–4 (NKJV): *He only is my rock and my salvation; He is my defense; I shall not be greatly moved. 3 How long will you attack a man? You shall be slain, all of you, Like a leaning wall and a tottering fence. 4 They only consult to cast him down from his high position; They delight in lies; They bless with their mouth, But they curse inwardly.*

Sometimes repentance sounds like a whisper: “Lord, have mercy.” David cries out from a place of total exhaustion. His mind, and spirit worn thin. Lent reminds us that God welcomes our

weakness. We don't have to be strong to return to Him; we just have to be honest. God bends toward the brokenhearted and listens to the trembling prayer. Today, bring your weariness to Him. Ask for healing where you've been hurting, clarity where you've been confused, and mercy where you've fallen short. God's love doesn't run out when you're tired. He draws near and lifts you again.

Day 5 — Monday, February 23, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 139:23–24 (KJV): *23 Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: 24 And see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.*

These verses contain a courageous prayer. It takes humility to invite God to search the places in our heart that we'd rather keep hidden. But Lent is a season of holy examination—a time to let God reveal what needs to be healed, corrected, or surrendered. God doesn't expose us to shame us; He reveals truth to guide us into life. Today, open your heart to His gentle inspection. Ask Him to uncover motives, patterns, and attitudes that don't reflect His way. Trust that whatever God shows you, He also empowers you to change. Let God lead you on the everlasting path.

Day 6 — Tuesday, February 24, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 25:4–7 (ESV): *Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths. 5 Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long. 6 Remember your mercy, O Lord, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old. 7 Remember not the sins of my youth or my*

transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O Lord!

David asks God to teach him, guide him, and remember him with mercy. Lent is a journey of learning—learning God’s ways, God’s heart, and God’s rhythm. We don’t repent just to feel bad; we repent to grow. God’s mercy is the classroom where transformation happens. Today, reflect on how God has guided you before. Remember His faithfulness, His patience, His steady hand. Let those memories strengthen your trust as you walk forward. Ask God to shape your steps, correct your course, and remind you that His love is older and stronger than your mistakes.

Day 7 — Wednesday, February 25, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 130:1–4 (ESV): *Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord!
2O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!³ If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?⁴ But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.*

From the depths, the psalmist cries out—and God listens. Lent teaches us that repentance is rooted in hope, not despair. God’s forgiveness is not reluctant; it’s abundant. Always available to a repentant heart. When we come from the low places, God lifts us with compassion. These verses remind us that God’s character is the foundation of our confidence. Today, let hope rise in you. Whatever “depths” you’re facing—regret, confusion, fear—God hears you clearly. His forgiveness is not a maybe; it’s a promise. Let that assurance steady your heart and draw you closer to Him.

WEEK 2-BROKENNESS & SURRENDER (Sacrifice)

Day 8 — Thursday, February 26, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 51:10–12 (KJV): *10 Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. 11 Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me. 12 Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit.*

Transformation begins with God doing an inner work we cannot manufacture. David doesn't ask for a better attitude or stronger willpower—he asks for a new heart. Lent reminds us that spiritual renewal is not self-improvement; it's surrender. God restores joy where guilt once lived and strengthens our spirits where weakness once ruled. Today, invite God to renew one area of your life that feels worn down or spiritually dull. Ask Him to restore the joy you may have lost along the way. Trust that God delights in rebuilding what sin tried to break.

Day 9 — Friday, February 27, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 40:6–8 (KJV): *6 Sacrifice and offering thou didst not desire; mine ears hast thou opened: burnt offering and sin offering hast thou not required. 7 Then said I, Lo, I come: in the volume of the book it is written of me, 8 I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law is within my heart.*

God desires obedience more than performance. The psalmist reminds us that sacrifice without surrender misses the point. Lent calls us to align our hearts with God's will, not just our habits. When we listen deeply, we discover that God's instructions are not burdens—they're invitations into freedom. Today, consider one

area where God may be nudging you toward obedience. It may be a conversation, a habit, your screen time or a decision you've been delaying. Offer God not just your rituals but your willingness to obey his nudging. Let your life become the offering that honors Him most.

Day 10 — Saturday, February 28, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 34:18 (NKJV): *The Lord is near to those who have a broken heart, And saves such as have a contrite spirit.*

God draws near to the brokenhearted—not to judge them, but to hold and help them. Lent reminds us that brokenness is not a disqualification; it's often the doorway to deeper relationship with God. When life leaves us broken and bruised, God becomes our healer. When our spirits feel crushed, God becomes our strength. Today, allow yourself to be honest about what hurts. You don't have to pretend or push through. Let God meet you in the tender places. And as He comforts you, consider offering that same compassion to someone else who needs to know they're not alone.

Day 11 — Monday, March 2, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 4:5 (ESV): *Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the Lord.*

Offering sacrifices of righteousness means choosing God's way even when it costs us something. Lent invites us to practice trust through small acts of surrender. Sometimes the sacrifice is pride, comfort, convenience, or control. When we release what we cling

to, we discover that God fills the empty spaces with peace. Today, choose one small sacrifice that honors God—a habit to pause, a comfort to release, a step of obedience to take. Trust that God sees your offering and meets you with grace. Every surrendered moment becomes a seed of spiritual growth.

Day 12 — Tuesday, March 3, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 141:2–4 (KJV): *2 Let my prayer be set forth before thee as incense; and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice. 3 Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips. 4 Incline not my heart to any evil thing, to practise wicked works with men that work iniquity: and let me not eat of their dainties.*

David prays that his words and his heart would be pleasing to God. Lent reminds us that sacrifice isn't only about what we give up—it's also about what we guard. Our speech shapes our relationships, our witness, and our inner life. Today, ask God to help you speak with intention. Let your words be gentle where they've been sharp, truthful where they've been careless, and healing where they've been harmful. Invite God to protect your heart from influences that pull you away from Him. A guarded heart and a disciplined tongue are powerful offerings.

Day 13 — Wednesday, March 4, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 19:12–14 (NKJV): *12 Who can understand his errors? Cleanse me from secret faults. 13 Keep back Your servant also from presumptuous sins; Let them not have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, And I shall be innocent of great transgression. 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation*

of my heart Be acceptable in Your sight, O Lord, my strength and my Redeemer

We all have blind spots—places where we don't see ourselves clearly. David asks God to cleanse him from hidden faults and keep him from willful sin. Lent is a season to slow down and let God reveal what we've overlooked. This isn't about shame or embarrassment; it's about growth. Today, reflect on your motives, reactions, and patterns. Ask God to show you what needs refining. Invite Him to shape your thoughts and words so they honor Him. When we allow God to correct us, He strengthens us for the life He's calling us to live.

Day 14 — Thursday, March 5, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 51:17 (KJV): *The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.*

A broken and contrite heart is not a heart God rejects—it's a heart God receives. Lent teaches us that God values authenticity over appearance. When we come to Him with humility, He meets us with compassion. Brokenness in God's hands becomes the starting point for rebuilding a better you. Today, bring God one honest confession, one truth you've been avoiding, or one area where you feel fragile. Trust that God will not turn away. He draws near to the sincere, the humble, and the honest. Your brokenness is not the end; it's the beginning of restoration.

WEEK 3 — GOD’S STEADFAST LOVE

Day 15 — Friday, March 6, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 103:8–12 (KJV): *8 The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy. 9 He will not always chide: neither will he keep his anger for ever. 10 He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. 11 For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward them that fear him. 12 As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us.*

God’s love is not fragile or unpredictable—it is steady, patient, and overflowing with compassion. These verses remind us that God does not treat us according to our failures but according to His mercy. Lent invites us to rest in that truth. When we understand the depth of God’s forgiveness, shame loses its grip and gratitude rises. Today, let God’s compassion soften the places where you’ve been hard on yourself. Let His mercy quiet the inner critic. You are forgiven more fully than you realize and loved more deeply than you can measure. Walk in that freedom today.

Day 16 — Saturday, March 7, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 86:5–7 (ESV): *Will you be angry with us forever? Will you prolong your anger to all generations? 6 Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you? 7 Show us your steadfast love, O Lord, and grant us your salvation.*

God is always ready to forgive, always willing to listen, always near to those who call on Him. Lent reminds us that prayer is not a show, it’s a lifeline. When we cry out, God responds with grace.

Today, bring your honest needs before Him. Don't filter your feelings or polish your words. God delights in your voice and welcomes your vulnerability. Be real with God. Pray for someone who feels unheard or overlooked. As you lift them up, remember that God bends His ear toward you as well. His mercy is wide, and His presence is close.

Day 17 — Monday, March 9, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 145:8–9 (NKJV): *8 The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, Slow to anger and great in mercy. 9 The Lord is good to all, And His tender mercies are over all His works.*

God's goodness is not limited to certain people or certain moments—it reaches everyone and touches everything. Lent invites us to slow down and notice the kindness of God woven into our daily lives. Even in the tough seasons of life, His compassion shows up in small mercies, quiet provisions, and unexpected strength. Today, pause and reflect on the ways God has been good to you recently. Let gratitude shift your perspective and soften your heart. When we recognize God's goodness toward us, we become more willing to extend goodness toward others.

Day 18 — Tuesday, March 10, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 25:8–10 (ESV): *8 Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in the way. 9 He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way. 10 All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.*

God teaches and guides us - not because we are perfect, but because He is good. Lent reminds us that God doesn't abandon sinners; He instructs them. He doesn't shame the humble; He lifts

them. He is a faithful, loving and kind god! Today, ask God to teach you something new about His character or His will. Approach Him with openness, not fear. Trust that His guidance is rooted in love, not judgment. As you walk through the day, stay attentive to the movement of the Spirit. God is shaping you, step by step, into someone who reflects His unending grace.

Day 19 — Wednesday, March 11, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 130:5–6 (NIV): *I wait for the Lord, my whole being waits, and in his word I put my hope. 6 I wait for the Lord more than watchmen wait for the morning, more than watchmen wait for the morning. more than watchmen wait for the morning.*

Waiting is one of the hardest spiritual disciplines, yet it is central to Lent. The psalmist waits with hope, trusting that God’s word is worth leaning on. Waiting is not passive—it’s an active posture of expectation. Today, identify one area where you’re waiting on God. Instead of rushing ahead or giving in to frustration, choose to wait with hope. Trust that God is working even when you can’t see it. Trust His process. Like the watchman anticipating dawn, hold onto the promise that light always comes. God’s timing is purposeful, and His faithfulness is sure.

Day 20 — Thursday, March 12, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 62:5–8 (ESV): *5 For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence, for my hope is from him.6 He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken.7 On God rests my salvation and my*

glory; my mighty rock, my refuge is God.⁸ Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us.

Rest is an act of trust. When we quiet our souls before God, we declare that He is our refuge, not our own strength. Lent invites us to slow down and anchor ourselves in God’s presence. Today, take a moment to breathe deeply and release the tension you’ve been carrying. Let God be your rock, your safety, your strong foundation. Pour out your heart before Him—your worries, hopes, dreams and fears. God is not overwhelmed by your honesty. He is your refuge, and He holds you securely.

Day 21 — Friday, March 13, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 63:1–4 (ESV): *O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. 2 So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory. 3 Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. 4 So I will bless you as long as I live; in your name I will lift up my hands.*

Spiritual hunger is a gift—it draws us closer to God. David longs for God with the intensity of someone in a dry and weary land. Lent reminds us that our souls need God just as much as our bodies need water. Today, lean into that longing. Spend intentional time in worship, prayer and praise, letting your heart reach toward God. As you seek Him, trust that He will meet you with love and strength. Fasting from one meal today can become a physical reminder of your deeper hunger for God’s presence. Let your soul cling to Him.

WEEK 4 - GENEROSITY & SHARING WITH OTHERS

Day 22 — Saturday, March 14, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 41:1–3 (KJV): *Blessed is he that considereth the poor: the Lord will deliver him in time of trouble. 2 The Lord will preserve him, and keep him alive; and he shall be blessed upon the earth: and thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of his enemies. 3 The Lord will strengthen him upon the bed of languishing: thou wilt make all his bed in his sickness.*

God pays close attention to those who pay attention to the vulnerable. The psalmist reminds us that generosity is not just an action—it’s a posture that invites God’s blessing and care. When we lift others, God lifts us. Lent calls us to widen our vision by opening our eyes to notice those who are struggling. Today, look for someone you can bless in a tangible way—financially, emotionally, or practically. Your compassion becomes a reflection of God’s heart. As you care for others, trust that God is caring for you in ways you may not even see yet.

Day 23 — Monday, March 16, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 112:4–9 (ESV): *4 Light dawns in the darkness for the upright; he is gracious, merciful, and righteous. 5 It is well with the man who deals generously and lends; who conducts his affairs with justice. 6 For the righteous will never be moved; he will be remembered forever. 7 He is not afraid of bad news; his heart is firm, trusting in the Lord. 8 His heart is steady; he will not be afraid, until he looks in triumph on his adversaries. 9 He has distributed freely; he has given to the poor; his righteousness endures forever; his horn is exalted in honor.*

A generous life is a steady life. The psalmist describes the righteous as gracious, compassionate, and open-handed—people who give freely because they trust God deeply. Lent invites us to loosen our grip on what we have so God can use it to bless others. Today, consider giving anonymously. There’s a unique joy in blessing someone without being seen or thanked. It shifts the focus from recognition to pure love. As you give, remember that generosity shapes your character and strengthens your faith. God delights in those who reflect His generous heart.

Day 24 — Tuesday, March 17, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 37:21 (KJV): *The wicked borroweth, and payeth not again: but the righteous sheweth mercy, and giveth.*

The psalmist contrasts the stingy with the generous, reminding us that righteousness is expressed through open heart and hands. Lent teaches us that sharing is not about abundance—it’s about willingness. Even small acts of kindness carry great spiritual weight. Today, pay forward a blessing or kindness you’ve received. It could be a word of encouragement, a small gift, or a simple act of service. When we give freely, we participate in God’s work of healing and hope. Generosity is a testimony that we trust God to supply what we release and we will never be lacking

Day 25 — Wednesday, March 18, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 68:5–6 (ESV): *Father of the fatherless and protector of widows is God in his holy habitation. 6 God settles the solitary in a*

home; he leads out the prisoners to prosperity, but the rebellious dwell in a parched land.

God identifies Himself as a defender of the vulnerable and a protector of the overlooked. Lent calls us to join God in that work. When we support those who are isolated, struggling, or marginalized, we reflect God's character. Today, reach out to someone who may feel alone—an elder, a single parent, someone grieving, or someone navigating a difficult season. Speak life to them. Your presence can become a reminder of God's care. As you extend compassion, remember that God places the lonely in families—and He may use you to be part of that family for someone today.

Day 26 — Thursday, March 19, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 82:3–4 (ESV): *Give justice to the weak and the fatherless; maintain the right of the afflicted and the destitute. 4 Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked."*

Justice is an expression of love. The psalmist calls God's people to defend the weak, uphold the oppressed, and rescue those in need. Lent invites us to move beyond personal repentance into communal responsibility. We are our brother's keeper. Today, consider one way you can advocate for someone—through encouragement, support, or speaking up. Advocacy doesn't always require a platform; sometimes it's simply standing with someone who feels unheard. When we act on behalf of others, we participate in God's mission to bring justice, mercy, and restoration to the world.

Day 27 — Friday, March 20, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 72:12–14 (NIV): *For he will deliver the needy who cry out, the afflicted who have no one to help.¹³ He will take pity on the weak and the needy and save the needy from death.¹⁴ He will rescue them from oppression and violence, for precious is their blood in his sight.*

God’s heart is moved by the cries of the needy, and He calls His people to respond with compassion and action. Lent reminds us that generosity is not optional—it’s part of our identity as followers of God. Today, choose a cause, ministry, or person to support financially or materially. Your gift, no matter the size, becomes part of God’s rescue work. When we give to those who cannot repay us, we reflect the heart of a God who rescues, protects, and values every life.

Day 28 — Saturday, March 21, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 112:1–3 (ESV): *Praise the Lord! Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who greatly delights in his commandments! 2 His offspring will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed. 3 Wealth and riches are in his house, and his righteousness endures forever.*

A generous household is a blessed household—not because of wealth, but because of the spirit that fills it. The psalmist describes a home rooted in reverence for God and shaped by righteousness. Lent invites us to cultivate homes where generosity is normal and compassion is practiced. Today, share a meal with

someone—family, a friend, or someone who needs community. Meals create connection, restore joy, and open space for meaningful conversation. As you share, remember that generosity multiplies when practiced together.

WEEK 5 — RENEWAL & TRANSFORMATION

Day 29 — Monday, March 23, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 51:7–9 (KJV): *7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. 8 Make me to hear joy and gladness; that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice. 9 Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities.*

Cleansing is God’s work, not ours. David asks God to purify him, restore joy, and remove the stains that sin leaves behind. David cannot do that for himself. Lent reminds us that repentance is not the end—it’s the beginning of renewal. God doesn’t just forgive; He refreshes. Today, reflect on the areas where you long to feel clean again—your thoughts, your habits, your emotions. Invite God to wash away what has lingered too long. Trust that He can restore joy where heaviness has settled. God’s cleansing is thorough, gentle, and transformative. Let Him make you new from the inside out.

Day 30 — Tuesday, March 24, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 119:9–11 (KJV): *9 Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word. 10 With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy*

commandments. 11 Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.

Purity begins with real intention. The psalmist reminds us that staying aligned with God requires storing His word in our hearts. Lent invites us to return to Scripture not as a task, but as nourishment. God’s word steadies us, shapes us, and strengthens us against temptation. Today, choose one verse to memorize—something that speaks to your current season. Let it settle into your spirit and guide your decisions. When God’s word lives in us, it becomes a compass that keeps us on the path of life. Purity is possible when God’s truth becomes our anchor.

Day 31 — Wednesday, March 25, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 73:25–26 (ESV): *Whom have I in heaven but you?*

And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you.

26 My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

These verses declare a powerful truth: God is more than enough. When our hearts feel weak or our strength fails, God becomes the portion that sustains us. Lent reminds us to release those things that drain us and cling to the One who restores us. Today, identify one thing you’ve been relying on more than God. It can be approval, control, comfort, or success. Offer it to Him. Let God fill the space that false security once occupied. He is the strength of your heart and the anchor of your life. When everything else shifts, God remains steady.

Day 32 — Thursday, March 26, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 27:1–4 (KJV): *The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? 2 When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell. 3 Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident. 4 One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to enquire in his temple.*

David's confidence comes from one desire: to dwell in God's presence. Lent invites us to simplify our longings and center our hearts on God. When we seek Him first, fear loses its power and clarity returns. Today, spend intentional time in worship—sing, meditate, or sit quietly before God. Let His light push back your anxieties, fears and let His beauty draw your attention away from distractions. God's presence is not distant; it's readily available, comforting, and transformative. As you seek Him, trust that He will reveal Himself in ways that strengthen your faith and steady your spirit.

Day 33 — Friday, March 27, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 1:1–3 (KJV): *Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. 2 But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. 3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.*

A rooted life is a fruitful life. The psalmist describes the blessed person as one who delights in God’s word and avoids influences that pull them off course. Lent invites us to evaluate our habits, relationships, and rhythms. What is nourishing your soul? What is draining it? Today, reflect on the voices you listen to most. Social media, music, family or friends; are they shaping you toward God or away from Him? Choose one practice that helps you stay rooted—reading Scripture, praying, journaling, or walking in silence. When we plant ourselves near God’s living water, growth becomes inevitable.

Day 34 — Saturday, March 28, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 51:13–15 (KJV): *13 Then will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee. 14 Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, thou God of my salvation: and my tongue shall sing aloud of thy righteousness. 15 O Lord, open thou my lips; and my mouth shall shew forth thy praise.*

Restoration leads to witness. After repentance, David doesn’t hide—he teaches, praises, and testifies. Lent reminds us that God doesn’t just forgive us for our sake; He restores us so we can strengthen others through our testimony. Your story, your healing, your transformation can become someone else’s hope. Today, encourage someone spiritually. Share a verse, a prayer, or a testimony of how God has been working in your life. When we speak of God’s goodness, our own joy deepens and our faith grows stronger. Let your restored voice bring life to someone else.

Day 35 — Monday, March 30, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 30:1–5 (ESV): *I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up and have not let my foes rejoice over me. 2 O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me. 3 O Lord, you have brought up my soul from Sheol; you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit. 4 Sing praises to the Lord, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name. 5 For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.*

God turns our mourning into dancing and sorrow into joy. The psalmist celebrates a God who lifts us from pits we couldn't escape on our own. Lent reminds us that repentance leads to renewal, and renewal leads to joy. God's anger is momentary, but His favor lasts a lifetime. Today, reflect on one area where God has brought you through a difficult season. Celebrate His faithfulness. Let gratitude rise in you as a reminder that weeping may endure for a night, but joy always comes in the morning. God is still writing your story. You have not reached the last chapter.

WEEK 6 — PREPARING FOR RESURRECTION

Day 36 — Tuesday, March 31, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 118:19–24 (ESV): *19 Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord. 20 This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it. 21 I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. 22 The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. 23 This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. 24 This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

These verses celebrate the God who opens doors no one else can open. Lent reminds us that salvation is not something we earn—it's a gift we enter through grace. The “gate of the Lord” is a symbol of access, welcome, and new beginnings. Today, thank God for the doors He has opened in your life—doors of mercy, healing, forgiveness, and opportunity. Reflect on how God has brought you through seasons that you thought would break you. Or seasons that you saw break others. Rejoice in the truth that this is the day the Lord has made, and you can walk in it with confidence and gratitude.

Day 37 — Wednesday, April 1, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 22:1–5 (NKJV): *My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me? Why are You so far from helping Me, And from the words of My groaning? 2 O My God, I cry in the daytime, but You do not*

hear; And in the night season, and am not silent. 3 But You are holy, Enthroned in the praises of Israel. 4 Our fathers trusted in You; They trusted, and You delivered them. 5 They cried to You, and were delivered; They trusted in You, and were not ashamed.

These words echo through history as both David’s cry and Jesus’ cry on the cross. Lent invites us to sit honestly with suffering—not to glorify pain, but to recognize that God meets us in it. Even when God feels distant, He is working. David remembers how God delivered others, and that memory strengthens his hope. Today, pray for those who are in deep pain—physically, emotionally, or spiritually. Hold space for their struggle and trust that God hears every cry. When you feel abandoned, remember: God has a long history of rescuing His people, and He will not fail you.

Day 38 — Thursday, April 2, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 31:9–16 (NIV): *9 Be merciful to me, Lord, for I am in distress; my eyes grow weak with sorrow, my soul and body with grief. 10 My life is consumed by anguish and my years by groaning; my strength fails because of my affliction, and my bones grow weak. 11 Because of all my enemies, I am the utter contempt of my neighbors and an object of dread to my closest friends—those who see me on the street flee from me. 12 I am forgotten as though I were dead; I have become like broken pottery. 13 For I hear many whispering, “Terror on every side!” They conspire against me and plot to take my life. 14 But I trust in you, Lord; I say, “You are my God.” 15 My times are in your hands; deliver me from the hands of my enemies, from those who pursue me. 16 Let your face shine on your servant; save me in your unfailing love.*

David pours out his distress with raw honesty—fear, grief, exhaustion, and uncertainty. Yet even in the middle of his pain, he declares, “My times are in Your hands.” Lent teaches us that surrender is not giving up; it’s giving over. Today, identify one fear you’ve been carrying—something that keeps resurfacing in your thoughts. Offer it to God with open hands. Trust that your life, your future, and your story are held securely in His care. God sees you, knows you, and protects you. Even when circumstances feel unstable, His hands remain steady.

Day 39 — Friday, April 3, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 16:8–11 (NIV): *8 I keep my eyes always on the Lord. With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken. 9 Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest secure, 10 because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, nor will you let your faithful one see decay. 11 You make known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.*

Hope is the heartbeat of this psalm. David declares that because God is always before him, he will not be shaken. Lent prepares us to embrace this same confidence. God leads us on the path of life, fills us with joy in His presence, and offers eternal security. Today, reflect on the hope that anchors your faith—not wishful thinking, but the deep assurance that God is with you and for you. Let this hope steady your emotions, guide your decisions, and lift your spirit. Resurrection is coming, and with it, the promise of unshakable joy.

Day 40 — Saturday, April 4, 2026 - Devotional

Psalm 24:7–10 (KJV): *7 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.8 Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.9 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift them up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.10 Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.*

The King of Glory enters not quietly, but triumphantly. These verses call us to lift our heads, open our hearts, and welcome the victorious presence of God. Lent ends with anticipation—Christ has risen, and His glory transforms everything. Today, celebrate the God who conquers sin, breaks chains, and brings new life. Invite His presence into every part of your life—your home, your work, your relationships, your dreams. The King of Glory is strong, mighty, and faithful. As you step into this new season, walk with confidence knowing that the risen Christ goes before you.

I pray that this Lent Devotional has met you where you needed strength, clarity, and renewal. My hope is that these days in the Psalms have reminded you that God has a plan for you. He hears your prayers and will guide your steps if you allow Him.

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