

Three Adventures *Devotional*



Devotion #1

Focus: Before a man can effectively lead his family or impact others, he has to know who he is in Christ and guard his own heart.

Core Scripture: *Luke 6:43-45 (NIV)*

"No good tree bears bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. Each tree is recognized by its own fruit. People do not pick figs from thornbushes, or grapes from briars. A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of."

Questions from the reading:

Jesus uses a very vivid agricultural analogy here.

- What is the direct relationship he establishes between the "root" (the heart) and the "fruit" (actions and words)?
- What does it mean for a man to "store up" good things in his heart, practically speaking?

Practical application questions:

Think about your daily rhythms, media consumption, and stress levels.

- What are you currently "storing up" in your heart, and how is that showing up in your speech or reactions at home?
- When you find yourself reacting out of frustration or anger toward your wife or kids, what does that reveal about what's going on beneath the surface in your spiritual life?
- How can this group help keep you accountable to guarding your heart?

Prayer:

- Ask one another how to pray so that each man can find freedom from the "bad fruit".
- Ask one another how to pray for more of the "good fruit."

Devotion #2

Focus: Moving outward from personal integrity to the primary mission field: the home. This focuses on what biblical headship actually looks like—service, not dominance.

Core Scripture: *Ephesians 5:25-28 (NIV)*

"Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself."

Questions from the reading:

Paul sets an incredibly high bar by comparing a husband's love to Christ's love for the Church.

- What are the core characteristics of Christ's love described in this passage?

The phrase "gave himself up for her" implies death to self.

- In what ways did Christ lay down His rights, comfort, and life for the Church?

Practical application questions:

Christ-like leadership in the home is sacrificial, not demanding.

- What is one specific area this week (comfort, time, hobbies, preferences) where you can "give yourself up" to better serve and cherish your wife?
- How does the way you treat, speak to, and honor your wife set a baseline for your children's understanding of love and respect?

Prayer:

Ask one another how to pray so that each man can show Christ's love to those around them in a more tangible way this week.

Devotion #3

Focus: A man's intentionally faith shouldn't end at his front door. This final month looks at a man's responsibility to pass on what he has learned, investing in the next generation.

Core Scripture: *2 Timothy 2:1-2 (NIV)*

"You then, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others."

Questions from the reading:

Look at the four generations of faith mentioned in verse 2 (Paul to Timothy to reliable people to others).

- What does this tell us about how the Gospel is meant to be preserved and shared over time?
- Why do you think Paul couples being "strong" with "the grace that is in Christ Jesus" rather than relying on sheer willpower or legalism?

Practical application questions:

- Who are the "reliable people" in your life right now?
- How are you actively, intentionally sharing your faith, life lessons, and struggles with your children or younger men in the church?
- Discipleship can feel intimidating. What holds you back from being more intentional about spiritual conversations with your kids or peers?
- What is one small step you can take to close that gap this month?

Prayer:

- Ask one another how to pray so that each man can find someone to learn from in his own journey of faith.
- Ask each man how to pray so that he can find another man to invest in and help grow in the faith.

The **Plan**

- Build or join a group.
- Plan an adventure for June, July, and August of 2026.
- Use this booklet as a guide.

Please let the church know the names of those in your group and communicate your needs using the QR code.



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