

Devotions 2022: October 31 to November 6

For daily devotions I am going to start using My Utmost for His Highest by Oswald Chambers.

Monday: The Trial of Faith

Matthew 17:20 - ...if you have faith as a mustard seed.... nothing will be impossible for you.

Never confuse the trial of faith with the ordinary discipline of life, because a great deal of what we call the trial of faith is the inevitable result of being alive. Faith, as the Bible teaches it, is faith in God coming against everything that contradicts Him – a faith that says, “I will remain true to God’s character whatever He may do.”

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Tuesday: “You are not your Own”

1 Corinthians 6:19 - Do you not know that ...you are not your own?

The first thing God does is get us grounded on strong reality and truth. Why should not we experience heartbreak? Through those doorways God is opening up ways of fellowship with His Son. If God can accomplish His purposes in this world through a broken heart, then why not thank Him for breaking yours?

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Wednesday: Obedience or Independence?

John 14:15 - If you love Me, keep My commandments.

If I obey Jesus Christ, the redemption of God will flow through me to the lives of others, because behind the deed of obedience is the reality of Almighty God. As soon as I obey Him, I fulfill my spiritual destiny.

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Thursday: A Bondservant of Jesus

Galatians 2:20 – I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me....

The passion of Christianity comes from deliberately signing away my own rights and becoming a bondservant of Jesus Christ. Until I do that, I will not begin to be a saint.

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Friday: The Authority of Truth

James 4:8 - Draw near to God and He will draw near to you.

When a truth of God is brought home to your soul, never allow it to pass without acting on it internally in your will. Record it with ink and with blood; work it into your life. The weakest saint who transacts business with Jesus Christ is liberated the second he acts and God's almighty power is available on his behalf.

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Saturday: Partakers of His Sufferings

1 Peter 4:13 - ...but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ's sufferings...

In the history of the Christian Church, the tendency has been to avoid being identified with the sufferings of Jesus Christ. People have sought to carry out God's orders through a shortcut of their own. God's way is always the way of suffering; the way of the "long road home."

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Sunday: Intimate Theology

John 11:26 - Do you believe this?

To believe is to commit. In the area of intellectual learning I commit myself mentally, and reject anything not related to that belief. But in intimate personal belief I commit myself spiritually to Jesus Christ and make a determination to be dominated by Him alone.

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