

Devotions 2024: February 12 to February 18

For daily devotions I am going to start using 60 days of prayer published by Guideposts.

Monday: The Unchanging Nature of God

Malachi 3:6 - I the Lord do not change. So you, the descendants of Jacob, are not destroyed.

When you feel worried about an upcoming change, seek comfort in the unwavering nature of God. Know that His promises remain steadfast and His love for you never falters. Let this truth inspire and uplift you.

Prayer: Dear God, as I navigate life's unpredictable twists and turns, may I find solace in knowing that You are my anchor, steadfast and unchanging.

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Tuesday: Release Your Control

Proverbs 3:5-6 - Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

Do you try to control your circumstances, forgetting that it is God who shapes your journey? This verse is a reminder to put aside your own understanding and desires and completely trust in Him. When you follow His guidance, he promises to lead you on the right path, even if it differs from your original plan.

Prayer: Dear Lord, I need Your divine wisdom to guide me. Make my paths straight and lead me towards Your purpose for my life.

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Wednesday: Ashes of Love

Joel 2:13 – Rend your heart and not your garments. Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love, and he relents from sending calamity.

This year, Ash Wednesday and Valentine’s Day fall on the same day and remind us of the beautiful connection of God’s love and sacrifice. Commit to focusing on Jesus this Holy Season.

Prayer: Lord, as we begin the season of Lent, I am in awe of the depth of Your love. May my heart be filled with gratitude and my actions be a reflection of Your love.

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Thursday: Blessed Assurance

2 Timothy 1:12 (KJV) – for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.

Your faith provides you with a sense of blessed assurance. Rely on God with full confidence that He will take care for you. Trust His divine providence to anchor you in times of uncertainty and fuel your spirit with unwavering hope.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, thank You for the blessed assurance that comes from trusting in You. Strengthen my faith and give me peace.

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Friday: God’s Mysterious Ways

Psalms 34:18 - the Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

Even when you feel alone, especially in the spiritual winter of your life, remember that God is closer than you think. He works in mysterious ways, often showing up in unexpected places to comfort you. His love and compassion are a beacon of hope in the coldest and harshest winters.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, remind me that You are always near, especially when I feel distant from You.

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Saturday: The Joy of Salvation

Psalm 51:12 (NKJV) – Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me by Your generous Spirit.

The joy of salvation shines brightest in the darkest of times, serving as a ray of hope and resilience. Your faith serves as a way for Christ’s light to shine in the world. Restore your spirit and invite Him to empower you.

Prayer: Lord, restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Uphold me with Your generous Spirit.

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Sunday: Celebrate Little Easters

Exodus 16:29 - Bear in mind that the Lord has given you the Sabbath.

Some describe the Sundays in Lent as “little Easters,” days of feasting rather than fasting, a time of joyful expectation of the Resurrection. May you be inspired to celebrate the power of faith and embrace each day with a hopeful spirit.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, I come to You today in awe of all You have done for me. I love You, Lord Jesus.

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