

Devotions 2025: September 1 to September 7

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

Monday: Honor Work and Rest

Colossians 3:223 – Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters.

On this Labor Day, take a moment to reflect on the balance in your life, Have you given your work your best, knowing you are serving God in al you do? Have you also allowed yourself the restorative gift of rest, trusting that God will take care of what you leave unfinished?

Prayer: Heavenly Father, thank You for the gift of work and the opportunity to us the talents and abilities You have given me.

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: Walk the Unknown Road

Hebrews 11:8 – By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going.

Life sometimes leads us down unfamiliar paths that can feel unsettling. Yet during these times of uncertainty, our faith can row the most. Like Abraham, who followed God's call without knowing where it would lead, you too, can trust that God is guiding your steps. The unknown may feel daunting, but God walks beside you every step of the way.

Prayer: Father, give me the courage to follow You into the unknown, even when I cannot see the bigger picture.

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Wednesday: Write On the Tablet of Your Heart

Proverbs 7:2-3 – Keep my commands and you will live...write them on the tablet of your heart.

A pencil, with its trusty eraser, lets you fix mistakes. But for writing that lasts; important contracts; ink is the only choice. God's commands are not meant to be erased or rewritten; they are to be inscribed permanently on the tablets of our hearts, shaping us forever with His wisdom and love.

Prayer: *Heavenly Father, help me live by Your unchanging truths.*

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Thursday: The Zeal That Never Fails

Isaiah 9:7(NASB) – The zeal of the Lord of armies will accomplish this.

God's zeal is unlike ours. It does not waver or wear out. This verse in Isaiah points to His unstoppable passion to fulfill His promises. That same zeal is at work in your life today. When you feel weary or uncertain, remember: God is not done with you yet. His plan is steady, and His love is persistent.

Prayer: *Lord, fill me with hope. May Your love guide me forward.*

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Friday: Be Open to God's Surprises

Ephesians 3:20 – Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us.

As E. M. Bound said, "God answers our prayers in His own way and in His own time." When you keep your spirit open to His wonder, you begin to see His hand in the unexpected. Trust that His surprises are always for your good, even when they bring unplanned change.

Prayer: *Maker of miracles, help me welcome and recognize the surprises You place in my life.*

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Saturday:**The Joy of Walking at God's Pace**

Exodus 14:14 – “The Lord will fight for you; you need only to be still.”

When you feel rushed from one task to the next, think of this verse. God's ways are not hurried; they are steady and purposeful. Slowing down and aligning with His pace, if only for a few moments, is the most faithful thing you can do. Rest in knowing that He accomplishes His work in you not through rushing, but through steady patience.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, help me sync my life to Your perfect rhythm. Teach me to walk at Your pace and trust in Your timing.

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Sunday:**Faith Over Feelings**

Jeremiah 17:9 – The heart is deceitful above all things and beyond cure. Who can understand it?

Feelings can be fleeting; they change with circumstances. But faith is built on the unchanging truth of God's Word. When emotions threaten to lead your decisions, pause and ask God for clarity. Choose faith over feelings, trusting His promises rather than what your heart may momentarily tell you.

Prayer: Lord, keep me grounded in faith. Help me see beyond my emotions and trust in the truth of Your word and Your love.

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