

Devotions 2025: September 15 to September 21

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

Monday: When Faith Meets Action

James 2:26 – As the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without deeds is dead.

Faith is not just about what is in your heart, but what you do. God calls you to act on your faith, to demonstrate His love in tangible ways. Sometimes it is a big gesture, like helping in a crisis, but often, it is the small acts; kindness, patience, generosity, where faith shines brightest. When you live your faith through action, you reflect Christ's love to the world.

Prayer: Lord, guide me to be a light for others and to reflect Your love in all I say and do.

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Tuesday: The Healing Power of Music

Psalms 40:3 – He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God. Many will see and fear the Lord and put their trust in him.

Music is a divine gift, a language that speaks straight to the heart when words fall short. Whether it is a hymn of praise, a song of hope, or an instrumental tune, music reflects the beauty and love of our Creator, gently reminding us that His presence surrounds us always. Music has the power to heal wounds we cannot see, calming restless minds and lifting weary spirits.

Prayer: Lord, may the songs You place on my heart draw me closer to You.

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Wednesday: The Power of Your Words

Proverbs 16:24 – Gracious words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones.

The words you choose can lift spirits and heal emotional wounds. This verse is a call to speak with kindness and encouragement, reflecting God's love through every conversation. Whether it is a word of support or a thoughtful compliment, your speech can bring healing and hope to those around you. Make your words a reflection of God's grace.

Prayer: Father, guide my thoughts and guard my words. Help me bring comfort to those who hear me.

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Thursday: Laughing with God

Proverbs 17:22 – A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bone.

Joy is one of God's greatest gifts. Laughter can lighten burdens, strengthen relationships, and remind you not to take life too seriously. Even in tough times, finding joy reflects the hope and peace of God's promises. Treasure your moments of shared laughter, for they are glimpses of His abundant grace and love.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for filling my life with moments of joy. Show me how to brighten others' days.

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Friday: Made to Create with Love

Genesis 1:1 – In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

God, the ultimate Creator, has placed the gift of creativity within you. Whether you craft with your hands, dream ideas into reality, or simply solve problems with inspiration, your creativity reflects His image. Every act of imagination and creation, big or small, becomes an offering of faith that celebrates His power and love. Partner with Him in the joy of creating.

Prayer: Father, thank You for giving me the ability to create. Help me use my gifts to glorify You.

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Saturday:**Precious Stories, Powerful Lessons**

Luke 2:36 – There was also a prophet, Anna, the daughter of Penuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was very old; she had lived with her husband seven years after her marriage.

Even the quietest lives are significant in God's story. Anna, with her brief mentions in Scripture, reminds us that faithfulness and devotion have eternal value, no matter how small they may seem. Your daily acts of faith; whether seen or unseen, matter in the Kingdom of God. Trust that He sees, cherishes, and uses your faithfulness to make an impact.

Prayer: Lord, help me live with steady devotion like Anna.

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Sunday:**Choosing Love When It is Hard**

Mark 12:31 – “Love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no commandment greater than these.”

Life is full of decisions, and love is your greatest guide. When faced with tough choices or challenging situations, ask yourself how you can show love and compassion. It is not always the easiest path, but it is the one God calls you to take. Trust that He will give you the strength to love others as He loves you, even when it feels difficult.

Prayer: Father, help me reflect Your love through my actions and seek compassion in all I do.

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