

## **Devotions 2026: February 23 to March 2**

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

### **Monday:** Confidence That Rests in God

*Proverbs 3:26(NASB) – The Lord will be your confidence.*

There is a kind of confidence that draws attention to itself, but holy confidence rests in God's strength. When you root your identity in Him, you begin to stand with steadiness because the weight is not all on you. You are held by the One who is faithful and unfailing.

*Prayer: God, be my courage and confidence. Let me trust who I am because I trust who You are.*

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### **Tuesday:** When You Do Not feel "Spiritual Enough"

*Psalms 145:18 – The Lord is near to all who call on him.*

You do not need perfect prayers to draw near to God. A simple, honest cry is enough to reach His heart. He is not measuring your words or your background; He is listening to your trust. His nearness is not earned; it is given in love.

*Prayer: Lord, thank You that I do not have to earn closeness with You. Help me come to You honestly, just as I am.*

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**Wednesday:** Small Steps Still Count

*Zechariah 4:10(NLT) – Do not despise these small beginnings, for the Lord rejoices to see the work begin, to see the plumb line in Zerubbabel’s hand.*

You may not always be where you want to be, but every faithful step matters. God delights in quiet growth and unseen acts of perseverance. Progress often looks like showing up again and again, even when the results are slow. Keep walking forward, knowing He sees and honors you.

*Prayer: God, when I feel like I am not moving fast enough, remind me that You bless every small step I take in faith.*

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**Thursday:** His Strength in Your Weakness

*2 Corinthians 12:9 – “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.”*

You do not have to hide your weakness from God. He meets you in the most fragile places and fills your heart with His power. Grace does not erase weakness; it works through it. You are held, even when you feel like you are falling short.

*Prayer: God, I give You my weakness. Fill it with Your power and peace.*

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**Friday:** God Is in the Detour

*Genesis 50:20 – “You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good.”*

Joseph’s life did not go as planned. Betrayal, imprisonment, and waiting marked much of his journey. But God used every detour to shape something greater. Your disappointments may feel like delays, but they might just be part of a bigger promise unfolding.

*Prayer: Father, help me trust the detours. I believe that You can bring good even from what feels wrong.*

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**Saturday:**

## A Promise for You and Yours

*Acts 2:39 – “The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off; for all whom the Lord our God will call.”*

God’s promises are personal; and they ripple out to those we love. His grace covers your home, your family, and every generation yet to come. Even when others seem far from faith, He is still near and at work. You can trust Him with every story.

*Prayer: Father, thank You for including my family in Your promise. Hold them close and keep planting seeds of hope.*

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**Sunday:**

## In the Beauty around You

*Psalms 19:1 – The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.*

Look outside and you will see a sermon written in sunlight, blossoms, or falling leaves. God uses creation to remind you of His power, peace, and presence. Take a moment today to pause and notice beauty; it is His way of saying, I am here.

*Prayer: Creator God, thank You for the beauty that points me back to You. Help me not rush past it.*

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