

Devotions 2026: May 4 to May 10

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

Monday: Pressed but Not Broken

2 Corinthians 4:8 – We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair.

Resilience is not our own strength but God's power holding us together. When life presses in, His Spirit keeps us from breaking. Every trial survived becomes a testimony, a reminder that His grace is stronger than anything that comes against us.

Prayer: God of strength, thank You for resilience. Carry me when I feel weak and remind me I am never alone.

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Tuesday: The God Who Asks Questions

1 Kings 19:9 – The Lord came to him, “What are you doing here, Elijah?”

In today's verse, instead of scolding Elijah in his despair, God asked a question. Questions invite honesty, draw us deeper, and open the door for healing. Sometimes God does not hand us an immediate answer; He gives us space to name where we are. And in that naming, we discover his nearness.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for meeting me in my questions. Help me hear Your gentle invitation to be honest with You.

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Wednesday: Joy Shared Is Joy Multiplied

Romans 12:15 – Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn.

Joy grows when we share it. Celebration becomes richer in community, and burdens feel lighter when carried together. God designed us to live woven into one another's stories, reflecting His love in both laughter and tears.

Prayer: Lord, help me share in the joys of others with a whole heart. Let my presence bring encouragement today.

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Thursday: Faith That Dares

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.

Abraham's story reminds us that faith often begins with a step into the unknown. Trusting God rarely means having the whole plan; it means moving forward with Him even in uncertainty. Bold faith does not erase fear; it chooses obedience.

Prayer: Lord, give me faith that dares to follow You, even when the path feels uncertain.

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Friday: Built on the Rejected Stone

Psalms 118:22 – The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

Buildings rise or fall depending on their cornerstone. Jesus, the rejected stone, is the one who holds us together. When life feels unstable, we can align ourselves with Him; the steady anchor who gives shape, strength, and direction to everything else.

Prayer: Christ my cornerstone, align my life with You. Make me steady and strong in Your love.

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Saturday: The Gift of Perspective

Psalm 90:12 – Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

Perspective comes when we remember that life is fleeting. Numbering our days does not bring despair; it brings clarity. It reminds us to spend time wisely, love deeply, and live with eternity in mind. God’s wisdom helps us choose what matters most.

Prayer: Lord, gives me a heart of wisdom. Help me live today with gratitude and eternal perspective.

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Sunday: A Mother’s Love

Proverbs 31:28 – Her children arise and call he blessed; her husband also, and he praises her.

A mother’s love reflects the heart of God; sacrificial, tender, and enduring. On this Mother’s Day, we honor those who nurture, guide, and pray us through life. Whether by birth or by choice, their influence leaves an eternal imprint of love.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, bless mothers everywhere today. Surround them with strength, joy, and peace in You.

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