

5R's - DIGGING DEEPER DEVOTIONALS - EXAMPLE

<p style="text-align: center;">Talk with God</p>	<p>REMEMBER to prepare and pray. Set aside a specific time daily. Select the passage. Gather your tools. Go to a quiet place by yourself. Talk to God and ask for His help each step of the way.</p>	<p>REMEMBER to prepare and pray. Selected passage: Mark 14:3-9</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Know God's Word</p>	<p>READ His truth. Read the passage slowly. Reread until you grasp the passage. Jot down key words, phrases, or verses that speak to your heart, address an area of your life, or highlight God's attributes. Look up the meaning of key words to gain clarity.</p>	<p>READ His truth. -woman (Mary) broke jar of expensive perfume, poured on Jesus head (holiness) -disciples indignant, wasteful, money should be used for poor -Jesus says you will always have poor, but not me (omniscience) -Jesus says she has done a beautiful thing (love, compassion) -Jesus says she did what she could for me-prepare me for burial (love) -wherever gospel preached, she will be remembered (omniscient)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Find His Principles ----- Look For His Promises</p>	<p>REFLECT on His message. Meditate on what the passage says. Jot down answers to the following questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What does the passage teach about God's character, attributes, and values? What can I expect from God? • What does the passage teach about people, myself and others? What does God expect of His people? • What is the <u>main truth</u> of the passage? <p>★Using a complete sentence, write down a principle or two you find that helps you to trust in His promises.</p>	<p>REFLECT on His message.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Jesus wants my worship -Jesus understands sacrifice -Jesus foretells and commends sharing the gospel <p>★Principle(s):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Jesus desires my unselfish and extravagant love, devotion, and worship. -To follow Jesus wholeheartedly, I must be willing to sacrifice to Him what is most precious and valuable. -Jesus remembers and rewards us eternally when we share the gospel.
<p style="text-align: center;">Trust in God ----- Take on His character</p>	<p>RESPOND to His Word. Write how you plan to apply and put into practice what the passage has taught you. Include a short prayer. To guide you, consider answers to the following questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How can I praise God for who He really is? • Where in my life can God's attributes positively impact me and my interactions with others? • How can I live a more godly life? • In what ways can I submit my will to His? • What steps can I take to change my attitude or action? • Who needs God's love and gospel message? 	<p>RESPOND to His Word.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -I want to be like Mary and worship Jesus with my whole heart, mind, and soul. (Starting Sunday, I won't let kids interrupt my worship or take time to correct their behavior. My example of worship will be set by my personal devotion.) -I want to be remembered for putting Jesus first in my life and passing on a spiritual legacy to my family and friends. (I will continue leading a bible study in the fall and start a new one with my kids.) <p><i>Dear Jesus, you are divine and most holy. I want to love you extravagantly. Forgive me when I place earthly desires over heavenly promises. Fill me with understanding that you prefer a personal relationship with me over that of keeping busy and doing good works. Thank you for your constant companionship and compassion. Amen.</i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Be with God</p>	<p>REST in His presence. Don't jump up. Just be with God, allowing His words to settle and take root in you.</p>	<p>REST in His presence.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">God has comforted affirmed challenged me today.</p>

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Know God's Word	<p>READ His truth.</p> <p>Jesus <u>made</u> disciples get into boat, go ahead (sovereign)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Jesus went to pray alone to His Father (trinity) -Jesus walked on water (power), disciples terrified -Jesus said <u>immediately, take courage, it is I, don't be afraid</u> -Peter told Lord to tell him to come to Him on water -Jesus said come, Peter walked on water (obedience) -Lord save me (mercy) -Jesus said you of little faith, why did you doubt (wisdom) -storm calmed, disciples worshipped Jesus (love, goodness) 	<p>READ His truth.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -the LORD has kept me, judge between, said, who spoke -Angel of the LORD found, told, go back, said, give birth to son -The God who sees me (omnipresent, omniscient, omnipotent, sovereign) -Sarai & Abram (infinitude) -Abram (faithful, obedient) -Hagar (grace, mercy) -Ishmael (sovereign)
Find His Principles ----- Look For His Promises	<p>REFLECT on His message.</p> <p>★Principle(s):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Jesus desires me to recognize His will and trust Him. -Jesus made time to nurture a vital relationship with His Father, so should I. -Jesus offers His power and strength in difficult circumstances. -Jesus wants me to come to Him immediately when my faith falters. 	<p>REFLECT on His message.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Jesus wants my worship -Jesus understands sacrifice -Jesus foretells and commends sharing the gospel <p>★Principle(s):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Jesus desires my unselfish and extravagant love, devotion, and worship. -To follow Jesus wholeheartedly, I must be willing to sacrifice to Him what is most precious and valuable. -Jesus remembers and rewards us eternally when we share the gospel.
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