Daily Devotion Journal

There is nothing more powerful in our Christian life than spending quiet, interactive time with God, in His Word, on a regular basis. This is where God's Word comes alive to us, where we hear Him speak to us, and where we find ourselves in a place to respond to Him. These moments transform us by renewing our minds through God's Word, and by God's Spirit.

The Daily Devotion Journal is designed to help you during this crucial time with God. Pick a meaningful scripture, give yourself 20-30 minutes, and purposefully meet God in His Word and Prayer. Follow each step. Don't rush through it. Really commit to meet God and respond to Him during this time.

First, <u>PRAY</u>. Slow down, get alone with God, and make your heart ready to hear from God.

Then, **MEDITATE** on the scripture. Read it slowly, carefully, repeatedly, asking God to speak to you through His Word. Check the surrounding verses to help you understand the key scripture. Begin to <u>pray this scripture</u> for your life while you are meditating on it.

Next, **paraphrase the key part of the scripture** in your own words. Don't mechanically copy it. Write what God is speaking to you, that is in-line with this scripture. While you're writing, let the words sink in. Continue praying the key part of this scripture for your life.

Now you're ready to <u>APPLY</u> the scripture to your life. Be personal and specific. Write down what The Holy Spirit is addressing in your life though this scripture. Be honest. Be real with God.

Next, decide what you are going to <u>do</u>, today, in <u>**RESPONSE**</u> to this scripture? Maybe it's a physical action, maybe it's taking your thoughts captive, maybe it's choosing to respond in your heart according to God's Word. How are you going to respond to this scripture, today?

Finally, <u>write out a prayer</u> to God in response to this time with Him. Ask for the power of The Holy Spirit to make this scripture real in your life. Make your commitment to God, and thank Him for speaking to you through His Word.

WHERE do you get the scripture to use with the journal?

Go to **calvarynuevo.org/resources/scripture-by-topic**, where you'll find scripture on 19 different topics we've put together for you. You can also access these scriptures quickly on the Word-By-Mail Phone App under "Resources" (search **wordbymail** in your app store).

Download the journal page at **calvarynuevo.org/resources/daily-devotion-journals**. There you can also download 30-day journals on 14 different subjects with all the scripture already put in for you. At the bottom of that page is a link to request scripture on a different subject.

God will genuinely meet you during this time. And if you will yield your life to Him according to His Word, His Word will renew your mind, and you will be transformed.

Rom 12:1-2,

Pastor Dave