



Daily Devotionals – March 2, 2025
Reaching Out in Faith

Day 1: Jesus Sees You

Scripture: *"But Jesus kept looking around to see who had done it."* – Mark 5:32 (NIV)

Reflection:

Jesus was surrounded by a **large crowd**, yet He stopped to acknowledge one person—the woman who touched Him in faith. This teaches us that **God sees us, even when we feel invisible**. You are not lost in the crowd to Him. He knows your struggles, your hopes, and your prayers.

Story:

Sarah had always been the quiet one in her family. Growing up with two outgoing siblings, she often felt overlooked. At work, she gave her best effort, but it seemed like no one noticed. One evening, after feeling particularly discouraged, she sat in her car and prayed, **"God, do You even see me?"**

That night, she received an unexpected call from her pastor, thanking her for her faithful service at church. The next day, her manager at work publicly recognized her efforts. It was as if God was whispering, **"I see you."**

Sometimes, we think no one notices our prayers, our tears, or our struggles. But just as Jesus stopped everything to acknowledge the woman in the crowd, **He sees you too**.

Prayer:

Lord, sometimes I feel unnoticed, like my prayers go unheard. But Your Word reminds me that You see me, You know me, and You care. Help me to trust that I am always in Your sight. When I feel overlooked, remind me that You never lose sight of me. Thank You for loving me deeply and personally. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Day 2: Faith Requires Action

Scripture: *"She came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, because she thought, 'If I just touch his clothes, I will be healed.'"* – Mark 5:27-28 (NIV)

Reflection:

The woman could have stayed back, afraid of being judged. Instead, she **pushed through the crowd** and reached for Jesus. Sometimes, faith requires **bold action**. Are you willing to take a step forward, even when it's difficult?

Story:

Michael always felt God nudging him to **start a Bible study in his neighborhood**, but the thought terrified him. "What if no one shows up? What if I fail?" he thought. For months, he ignored the feeling. But one day, he read this passage and realized, **faith isn't just about believing—it's about stepping out**.

That week, he invited a few friends, expecting maybe one or two to come. To his surprise, **eight people** showed up. Over the months, the group grew, and lives were changed. Michael learned that **faith moves when we take action**—God doesn't need our perfection, just our willingness.

Prayer:

Father, give me the courage to act on my faith. Help me not to just believe in You, but to step forward in obedience. When fear tries to hold me back, remind me that faith is what activates Your power in my life. Give me boldness to press through whatever obstacles stand in my way. I choose to trust You, knowing that You are guiding my every step. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Day 3: Jesus Responds to Faith

Scripture: *"Immediately her bleeding stopped and she felt in her body that she was freed from her suffering."* – Mark 5:29 (NIV)

Reflection:

The moment the woman touched Jesus, **she was healed**. Faith activated His power. Jesus still responds to faith today—**not always in the way we expect, but always in the way we need**.

Story:

Emily had battled anxiety for years. She prayed for healing but felt nothing changed. One night, she fell to her knees and cried, **"Jesus, I need You to heal my heart."** The next morning, she didn't wake up anxiety-free, but she felt something different—**peace**.

As she continued to pray and trust God, she found healing—not instantly, but **over time, as she leaned into Him**. God’s response to faith isn’t always immediate, but **it is always perfect**.

Prayer:

Jesus, I believe You still work miracles today. Help me to trust You, even when my healing or breakthrough doesn’t come the way I expect. Give me patience and faith to hold onto Your promises. When I feel discouraged, remind me that You are always working, even when I don’t see it yet. I choose to trust You. In Your name, Amen.

Day 4: Fear vs. Faith

Scripture: *“Then the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came and fell at his feet and, trembling with fear, told him the whole truth.”* – Mark 5:33 (NIV)

Reflection:

Faith and fear often battle in our hearts. The woman in this story was afraid to step forward. She had already received her healing—why risk drawing attention to herself? But **Jesus didn’t call her out to embarrass her, He called her out to affirm her faith and set her free emotionally as well as physically**.

How often do we allow fear to hold us back from stepping into what God has for us? Faith requires trust. The woman had enough faith to touch Jesus, but when she was called forward, fear crept in. Yet, Jesus reassured her. **Faith leads to freedom; fear keeps us stuck**.

Story:

James had always felt God nudging him to share his testimony at church, but fear paralyzed him. What if people judged him? What if they thought less of him? He had been through **a dark season of doubt and depression**, and though God had restored him, he was afraid of what people might think.

One Sunday, after months of avoiding it, he felt an overwhelming push in his heart. He stood up, trembling, and shared how God had walked with him through the valley and given him strength to keep going. As he finished, he looked up to see **tears in the eyes of many**—his testimony had resonated with others who were struggling.

At that moment, he realized something powerful: **Fear had been holding back a blessing—not just for him, but for others**.

Prayer:

Lord, I confess that I sometimes allow fear to control me. Fear keeps me silent when I should speak, hidden when I should step forward. But You have not given me a spirit of fear, but of power, love, and a sound mind (2 Timothy 1:7). Help me to walk in faith, even when it feels uncomfortable. Like the woman who came forward trembling, give me the courage to obey You, trusting that You are always for me. Let my faith lead me into the fullness of what You have planned. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Day 5: Jesus Calls You His Own

Scripture: *“Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace and be freed from your suffering.”*
— Mark 5:34 (NIV)

Reflection:

This is the **only recorded time** in Scripture that Jesus called someone **“Daughter.”** He wasn’t just healing her physically—**He was restoring her identity.**

This woman had spent **12 years feeling like an outcast**, labeled as “unclean” and separated from her community. But in this moment, **Jesus didn’t see her as a problem, a burden, or an outcast—He saw her as His own.**

How often do we let the labels of our past define us? Jesus looks beyond what others say about us. **He calls us His children, loved, accepted, and fully restored.**

Story:

Lena grew up feeling like she didn’t belong. She was raised in foster care, moving from home to home, always wondering if she would ever be truly wanted. Even as an adult, those feelings of rejection followed her.

One day, she stumbled upon this passage in Mark. When she read that Jesus called the woman **“Daughter,”** it was like God spoke directly to her heart: *“You are My daughter too.”*

For the first time in her life, Lena felt a deep sense of belonging—not because of her earthly family situation, but because she was **loved and chosen by God.**

That moment changed everything. She no longer saw herself as unwanted; **she saw herself as a daughter of the King.**

Prayer:

Father, thank You for calling me Your child. The world may label me, my past may try to define me, but You alone have the final say. I am not abandoned, not forgotten—I am Yours. Help me to walk in the confidence of being loved by You. Let my identity be rooted in Your truth, not in the opinions of others. When doubt tries to creep in, remind me that I am chosen, seen, and deeply loved. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Day 6: Testify of God's Goodness

Scripture: *"Then the woman... told him the whole truth."* – Mark 5:33 (NIV)

Reflection:

Jesus didn't just want to heal this woman physically; **He wanted her to testify.**

Many times, we keep our miracles to ourselves. But **testimonies build faith**—not just in us, but in those around us. **When God moves in our lives, we should share it!**

Story:

David had been struggling financially for months. He and his wife had been praying for provision, trusting that God would make a way. Then, out of nowhere, an unexpected check arrived in the mail—enough to cover their overdue bills.

At church, David felt a tug on his heart to share what had happened. But he hesitated. **"What if people think I'm bragging?"** he thought.

But as he stood up and testified, **something amazing happened.** After the service, a woman came up to him, crying. She had been struggling financially as well and had been **on the verge of giving up.** David's testimony gave her **hope** that God was still working in her life too.

That day, he realized something important: **Our testimonies aren't just for us—they're for others too.**

Prayer:

Jesus, thank You for working in my life in ways seen and unseen. Help me to boldly share what You have done, knowing that my testimony can encourage someone else. Remove any fear of speaking up, and let my words bring You glory. Use my story to strengthen the faith of those around me. May my life be a living testimony of Your goodness. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Day 7: Go in Peace

Scripture: *“Go in peace and be freed from your suffering.”* – Mark 5:34 (NIV)

Reflection:

Jesus not only healed the woman—**He sent her in peace**. Healing isn’t just about physical restoration; it’s about **spiritual and emotional wholeness**.

When we trust Jesus, **He gives us peace beyond understanding**.

Story:

Sophia had been holding onto unforgiveness for years. She had been deeply hurt by someone she once trusted, and though she tried to move on, the bitterness remained.

One night, she cried out to God, **“I don’t want to carry this anymore.”** She felt a warmth in her heart, a release of the burden she had been holding onto for so long.

The situation hadn’t changed. The person who hurt her hadn’t apologized. But Sophia had changed. She had **surrendered her pain to Jesus, and He had given her peace**.

That’s what true healing looks like—not just an absence of pain, but the **presence of peace**.

Prayer:

Lord, I don’t want to just be healed—I want to walk in Your peace. Help me to let go of the burdens I’ve been carrying. Teach me to surrender my worries, my hurts, and my fears to You. Fill my heart with the peace that only You can give. Let me walk forward, not in anxiety, but in the deep assurance that You are with me. I receive Your peace today. In Jesus’ name, Amen.