

The Courage to **Believe**



A 21-Day Consecration Devotional



Introduction

Psalm 42:1 (NKJV) As the deer pants after the water brooks, So pants my soul for you, O God.

Welcome to The Brook's first 21-day consecration devotional written in alignment with our mission to believe, belong, and become. It is our prayer that this resource helps you to move into 2023 with the ***courage to believe*** God for the abundant, purpose-filled life He has called you to live.

Each day's reading is guided by a scripture, a reflection, and a prayer. There are also areas for journaling or listing who and what you are believing God for. Click the link(s) at the top of each page to hear the accompanying music for the day through Spotify. Visit the Resources section to access helpful messages, tools, and the complete Consecration Playlist.

As you practice quieting the noise and seeking God first over the next three weeks, expect Him to speak to your heart and move on your behalf like never before.

Prayer of Commitment for 2023 - The Power of Yes

Proverbs 16:3 (NIV) Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and he will establish your plans.

Father, I commit the next 21 days to prayer, devotion, and fasting, so that You may establish my life for the next year. I commit to consecrating and separating myself from anyone or anything that would distract me from hearing Your voice clearly. I commit to waiting for Your guidance and instruction. I commit to You my “Yes” and I dedicate this time to diligently seeking after You through meditation in the Word, dedicated times of prayer, and intentional moments of worship. Thank You in advance for all that You will say and do over the next 21 days and throughout 2023. And when times may get difficult, thank You for the courage to continue to BELIEVE. I ask these things in the name of Jesus. Amen

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What Are You Believing God for in 2023?

List your spiritual goals and prayer requests for 2023 here.

BELIEVE

Hebrews 11:6 (NIV)

And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.



<p style="text-align: center;">Believe Day 1: Living a Life of Faith</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>A Song of Consecration</u> <u>Ron Winans</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>The Isaiah Song</u> <u>ANWA Atlanta</u></p>
Scripture	
<p>Hebrews 11:1 (KJV) Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.</p>	
Reflection	
<p>What are your hopes for 2023? What do you want or need to see manifested in your life, family, church, and community this year? Make sure to list those things in your plans, spiritual goals, and prayers for 2023.</p>	
Prayer	
<p>Prayer/Affirmation – Father, I give to You my hopes and plans for the year. I trust You with my dreams for myself, family, friends, community, and future. I ask for Your wisdom and guidance as I start this year. Order my steps to the people, places, and things meant for me as I journey so that I may see Your goodness in my life. Father, I need You, and I put my hand in Yours. In Jesus Name, Amen.</p>	
Journal	
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<p style="text-align: center;">Day 2: God Revealed</p>	<p><u>Draw Me Close to You/Thy Will be Done</u> <u>Marvin Winans</u></p> <p><u>Indescribable</u> <u>Kierra Sheard</u></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Scripture</p>	
<p>I Chronicles 29:11 (NKJV) Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, The power and the glory, The victory and the majesty; For all that is in heaven and in earth is Yours; Yours is the kingdom, O Lord, And You are exalted as head over all.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Reflection</p>	
<p>Reflect on an occasion or a time when God revealed Himself to you. Now, consider your wants and desires for this upcoming year. Do you see God in your requests and plans?</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Prayer</p>	
<p>Father, this year I seek to know You, so that I may please You. I thank You for your revelation throughout the next year. I believe that You will get the glory from my life. As I consider my plans, I pray that Your purpose prevails and that You be revealed in my life. In Jesus name, Amen.</p>	
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<p style="text-align: center;">Day 3: Unlocking the Power of God</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Too Good to Not Believe</u> <u>Bethel Music & Brandon Lake</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Greater</u> <u>Todd Galberth</u></p>
Scripture	
<p>Mark 9:23 (NIV) “If you can’?” said Jesus. “Everything is possible for one who believes.” (21-23 for complete reference)</p>	
Reflection	
<p>Many believers have a private struggle. We know what God can do but may find it difficult to believe what He will do for us personally. We may easily pray and believe for others yet fight to believe God for the same thing for ourselves. To unlock the power of God in your life, you must BELIEVE, not just what God is able to do, but embrace the fact that He is ready and willing to answer your prayers according to His word. Take some time to reflect on the areas of your life where believing has been a struggle.</p>	
Prayer	
<p>Father, You are omniscient and omnipresent. You know everything about my tomorrow because You are already there! Forgive me for not completely trusting and believing in You. Help my unbelief so that I may grow stronger in faith according to Your Word. Father, You are omnipotent, and I welcome Your transforming power in my life. I love You and accept Your purpose for me. I trust that all the things are working together for my good. In Jesus Name, Amen.</p>	
Journal	

<p style="text-align: center;">Day 4: Godly Transformation</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>I'm Yours</u> <u>Casey J</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Refiner</u> <u>Maverick City</u></p>
Scripture	
<p>Romans 12:2 (NKJV) And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.</p>	
Reflection	
<p>“You cannot have a positive life and a negative mind.” – Joyce Meyer. Have you struggled with self-esteem? Self-doubt? Anxiety? Everything in life that we do begins with a thought. Instead of just asking “What would Jesus do?” try asking “How would Jesus think?” True transformation for the believer happens when we change our mindset through God’s Word, the guidebook and reference for our lives.</p>	
Prayer	
<p>Father, thank You for Your Word, the ultimate truth for my life. Help me to replace negative thoughts, perspectives, and mindights with true, pure, lovely, virtuous, praiseworthy thoughts, inspired by Your Word that are of a good report. (Phil. 4:8) I have the mind of Christ. As You help me change my mind, let the transformation impact my finances, family, and faith. As I renew my thoughts, show me how to fight my battles, casting down any ideas or imagination that is not like God (II Cor 10:4-5). As I pursue Your purpose, help me to keep my mind focused on You and Your will, so that my whole life can be transformed. In Jesus Name, Amen.</p>	
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<p style="text-align: center;">Day 5: The Wisdom of God</p>	<p><u>Order My Steps in Your Word GMWA Women of Worship</u></p> <p><u>Speak to My Heart Donnie McClurkin</u></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Scripture</p>	
<p>James 1:5 (NIV) If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Reflection</p>	
<p>Have you ever prayed to God for guidance or sought godly, wise counsel? Reflect on an occasion or a time where seeking God's wisdom impacted a decision or plan in your life. As you consider your wants and desires for this upcoming year, be sure to ask for and seek the wisdom of God in your requests and plans.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Prayer</p>	
<p>Father, as I begin planning for my future, thank You for Your guidance and Your wisdom. When I am unsure, I will not rely on my own understanding, but I will seek Your divine guidance first before I make impactful decisions. Help me to know when to stop and listen for direction. Lead me to sources of godly, wise counsel. Order my steps daily. Help me to be more discerning concerning people and relationships. I align my life, with Your ideas and plans. I surrender myself to Your purpose and will. In the name of Jesus, Amen.</p>	
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<p style="text-align: center;">Day 6: The Power of Prayer</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"> <u>Miracle Worker</u> <u>JJ Hairston, Rich</u> <u>Tolbert Jr.</u> </p> <p style="text-align: center;"> <u>Hear My Cry</u> <u>Fred Hammond</u> </p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Scripture</p>	
<p>Mark 11:24 (NKJV) Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Reflection</p>	
<p>Imagine that all your prayers have been answered. How do you feel? How do you behave? How do you worship? After you pray, let your words and actions reflect your BELIEF that God has heard and answered your prayers. Let your faith maintain your expectations.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Prayer</p>	
<p>Father, I thank You for Your will and plan for my life. I have prayed according to Your Word and Your will, and I BELIEVE that I will have the things I prayed for. I praise You in advance. In Jesus name, Amen.</p>	
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<p style="text-align: center;">Day 7: The Power of Worship</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>My Worship</u> <u>Phil Thompson</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>King of Glory</u> <u>Todd Dulaney &</u> <u>Shana Wilson</u></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Scripture</p>	
<p>John 4:23, 24 (KJV) Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Reflection</p>	
<p>How well do you know God? Are you able to recognize God's blessings and power on your life? The more God is revealed to you the more authentic, passionate, and spontaneous praise and worship will become. Worship is an invitation to the presence of God, and sensing God's presence reaffirms our faith in Him.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Prayer</p>	
<p>Father, this year I will seek to know You better and experience Your presence on a deeper level that I might please You. I will pursue You through intentional moments of worship. As I am reminded of the prayers You have already answered in my life, I will purposefully and intently praise and worship You as my Lord, Savior, Provider, Healer, and Redeemer. You alone are God and only You deserve the glory from my life. In Jesus name, Amen.</p>	
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BELONG

I CORINTHIANS 12:27 (NIV)

Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a
part of it.



<p style="text-align: center;">Belong Day 8: Family</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>The Blessing</u> <u>Kari Jobe, Cody</u> <u>Carnes, & Elevation</u> <u>Worship</u></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Scripture</p>	
<p>I Corinthians 13:13 (NKJV) And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Reflection</p>	
<p>I Corinthians 13 details the attributes of Godly love. Can your parents, siblings, spouse, or children experience God through the way you demonstrate love to others? There is no greater gift we can give our family than to reflect the love of God in our words, actions, and lifestyle. Make sure that your family is listed in your plans and prayers for 2023.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Prayer</p>	
<p>Father, I thank You for each one of my family members. I believe that You will give them an expected end, according to Your will and Your Word. When times are difficult, help me to be patient, kind, and humble. Guide my words and actions so that I do not respond with rude behavior, anger, or be easily provoked. Help me not to perpetuate sin, gossip, or evil, but strengthen my family so that Your love may endure through all things. The line of generational curses, diseases, and toxicity is broken by Your power with me! May Your favor, blessings, and presence cover every family member and their home. In Jesus name, Amen.</p>	
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<p style="text-align: center;">Day 9: Friends</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>What a Friend</u> <u>Chandler Moore</u></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Scripture</p>	
<p>John 15:13 (NKJV) Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Reflection</p>	
<p>Jesus serves as the believer's greatest example for being a friend. Friendship is one of the most invaluable and impactful relationships we can enter. Our friends are those whom we choose to be part of our lives. We should be discriminating in our selection of friends, but also open to the amazing experience of God-ordained friendships. Include your friends in your plans and prayers for 2023.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Prayer</p>	
<p>Father, thank You for each one of my friends. Thank You for sending me people that have been a source of love, support, and guidance. May the goodness and kindness that they have shown me be reciprocated to them. I pray Your blessing over their health, finances, family, and home. I stand believing for Your continued divine protection over their lives. Grant them wisdom that they may walk in Your perfect will, living an abundant life. In Jesus name, Amen.</p>	
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<p>Day 10: Local Church & Church Universal</p>	<p><u>Jesus at The Center</u> <u>Israel Houghton</u></p> <p><u>Holy Spirit</u> <u>Jesus Culture</u></p>
<p>Scripture</p>	
<p>Ephesians 3:20-21 (NLV) 20 God is able to do much more than we ask or think through His power working in us. 21 May we see His shining-greatness in the church. May all people in all time honor Christ Jesus. Let it be so.</p>	
<p>Reflection</p>	
<p>Whether the local body of believers we assemble with on a regular basis or the Body of Christ at large, the believer should pray for, defend, and support The Church. Consider the vision and guidance of your Pastor and Church leaders and pray that God's power, and glory be made manifest in His church. Make sure your local church and the church universal are listed in your plans and prayers for 2023.</p>	
<p>Prayer</p>	
<p>Father, I thank You for the gift of salvation and being born into the body of Christ. I also give thanks for the local assembly of believers with whom I fellowship. I pray for unity, that we be bound by a cord that is not easily broken. I bind gossip, rebellion, division, and anything that is not like You, and I vow not to participate or support activities that would come against Your church. I speak blessings and favor over Your church. I call every need met. I stand believing, that together, we will see Your love and power at work in us and through us that men, women, boys, and girls would be saved. In Jesus name, Amen.</p>	
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<p style="text-align: center;">Day 11: Church Leadership</p>	<p><u>Bless Me (Prayer of Jabez)</u> <u>Donald Lawrence & The Tri-City Singers</u></p> <p><u>Beautiful Feet</u> <u>Donald Lawrence & Co</u></p>
Scripture	
<p>Hebrews 13:7 Remember your leaders who taught you the word of God. Think of all the good that has come from their lives, and follow the example of their faith.</p>	
Reflection	
<p>Believers are charged to respect, honor, and intercede for our church leadership. Consider your Pastor and church leaders who have had a positive influence on you and your family. List them in your prayers for 2023.</p>	
Prayer	
<p>Father, I pray for the pastors, leaders, and teachers of my church. Grant them wisdom and a discerning heart. Thank You for leaders who completely trust You and do not lean to their own understanding. Let their strength be renewed as they wait on You. Let them not grow weary nor their heart faint as they follow the calling on their life. I pray for strong marriages and unified families full of love. Lord, please direct their path and order their steps. I come against discouragement, weariness, sickness, or disease. I bind every plot and trip each trap the enemy would attempt against my leaders. I speak Your blessings and financial provision over their lives. I believe that they would see the fruit of their labor and would receive an increase in all that You have given them. In Jesus name, Amen.</p>	
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<p style="text-align: center;">Day 12: Youth & Young Adults</p>	<p><u>What Can I Do?</u> (Live) <u>Tye Tribbett</u></p> <p><u>No Weapon</u> <u>Fred Hammond</u></p>
Scripture	
<p>I Timothy 4:12 (NKJV) Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity.</p>	
Reflection	
<p>Consider the youth of your family, community & church. Have you encouraged & supported them as they are growing in their faith? If not, consider ways that you might. Let's start with including youth in your prayers for 2023.</p>	
Prayer	
<p>Father, I bring before You the young people of my family and community. I thank You for their lives and future. I pray that Your wisdom enters their hearts. Holy Spirit, guide them into wise choices and keep them safe from the plans of the enemy. I thank You for bringing them Godly connections and sound opportunities. No weapon formed against our youth will prosper. I plead the blood of Jesus over schools, parks, and playgrounds. I stand against premature death, suicide, anxiety, and depression in their lives and speak abundance, purity, joy, and good health. I thank You for a generation of young people, focused and dedicated to You, pressing into their purpose and unashamed of their faith. In the name of Jesus, Amen.</p>	
Journal	

<p>Day 13: Communities, Country & World</p>	<p><u>Heal Our Land/Come and Move Maverick City</u></p> <p><u>Thank You Walter Hawkins</u></p>
<p>Scripture</p>	
<p>Isaiah 1:17 (NLT) Learn to do good. Seek justice. Help the oppressed. Defend the cause of orphans. Fight for the rights of widows.</p>	
<p>Reflection</p>	
<p>The Word of God teaches us to love our neighbors as we love ourselves. Consider your neighborhood, county, state, and country. How do you best serve your community as a Christian citizen? How do I do good? How do I help? Include your communities in your prayers for 2023 and ask God to present you with opportunities to serve others.</p>	
<p>Prayer</p>	
<p>Father, I ask for Your presence in our communities, state, and country. I pray for healthy, thriving relationships between neighbors. I pray that different cultures will be able to understand and care for one another, and the diversity of Your people will be celebrated. I thank You for flourishing communities, where neighbors love and respect one another. Holy Spirit show me where and how to serve, guide me when to speak out, and teach us how to love each other. I pray for courage to stand up for my community. I pray for wisdom to govern my actions. I will show charity and extend grace to my neighbors in dire situations; but for Your grace and mercy, it could have been me. Help me be the hands, feet, and mouth of Jesus to my neighbors that men might come to know and praise you. In Jesus name, Amen.</p>	
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<p>Day 14: Government & Civic Leaders</p>	<p><u>Psalm 18 (I Will Call on the Name)</u> <u>Todd Dulaney</u></p> <p><u>I'll Trust You</u> <u>Richard Smallwood</u></p>
<p>Scripture</p>	
<p>Romans 13:1 (MSG) Be a good citizen. All governments are under God. Insofar as there is peace and order, it's God's order. So live responsibly as a citizen.</p> <p>I Timothy 2:1-2 (NLT) I urge you, first of all, to pray for all people. Ask God to help them; intercede on their behalf, and give thanks for them. 2 Pray this way for kings and all who are in authority so that we can live peaceful and quiet lives marked by godliness and dignity.</p>	
<p>Reflection</p>	
<p>The Word of God clearly tells us that the quality of our daily life is impacted by those who are in authority over us. As believers, we should not only obey the laws of our land, but we are charged to intercede for government leadership. Include government organizations and leaders in your prayers for 2023.</p>	
<p>Prayer</p>	
<p>Father, I thank You for our national, state, and local government organizations. Thank You for the authority of government and the order and structure provided. Please help our government workers who serve on all levels. I pray for righteous, thoughtful government leaders who listen to the voices of the community. Guide their decisions and turn their heart for the good of Your people. Ultimately, our trust, strength, and protection are found in You. In Jesus name, Amen.</p>	
<p>Journal</p>	

BECOME

JEREMIAH 29:11 (NIV)

For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord,
"plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give
you hope and a future."



<p style="text-align: center;">Become Day 15: Life of Sacrifice</p>	<p><u>Alabaster Box</u> <u>CeCe Winans</u></p> <p><u>Let Praises Rise</u> <u>Maranda Curtis</u></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Scripture</p>	
<p>Romans 12: 1,2 (NKJV) 1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. 2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Reflection</p>	
<p>One of the definitions of sacrifice is to suffer the loss of, give up, renounce, or destroy especially for an ideal, belief, or end. What have you given up or renounced for your faith? Sacrificial living is a daily decision, not a one-time occurrence. Our actions, words, and stature should speak to our heart disposition with God. Consider and list ways you can begin to live a lifestyle of sacrifice.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Prayer</p>	
<p>Father, I thank You for this day and opportunity to recommit myself to your will and plan. I present my myself, mind, body, thoughts, and actions, to You for Your purpose. I present my body, the temple of the Holy Spirit, and will not engage in anything that defiles its sanctity. I will guard my tongue so that my words are pleasing to You. I will filter my thoughts, replacing any negative ideas with thoughts rooted in Your Word. I will guard my heart against anger, unforgiveness, or bitterness. I am a cheerful and generous giver, supporting the work of Your Kingdom. Today, I will seek after Your desires for my life, and die to anything that is not like You. Guide me throughout this day that I might be Your disciple and a witness to Your love and transforming power. In Jesus name, Amen.</p>	
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<p style="text-align: center;">Day 16: Life of Service</p>	<p><u>I Give Myself Away</u> <u>William McDowell</u></p> <p><u>For Your Glory</u> <u>Tasha Cobbs</u> <u>Leonard</u></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Scripture</p>	
<p>Matthew 23:11, 12 (NLT) 11 The greatest among you must be a servant. 12 But those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Reflection</p>	
<p>Today's culture can be self-seeking and self-serving, making it difficult to find a pathway to meeting the needs of others. It's vital that believers follow the example of Jesus and pursue the life of a servant. Consider your plans for the upcoming year. Have you intentionally included service opportunities? Are they plans to serve or <i>be served</i>?</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Prayer</p>	
<p>Father, thank You for sending Your son Jesus as my example of a servant. Help me to serve You and others unselfishly. Create in me a clean heart and renew a right spirit in me daily. Help me to keep my motives pure that my service and actions would reflect Your love and goodness. Lord, I believe that people would come to know You by the way that I serve. Thank You for new means and opportunities to give to others. May You receive all the glory from the balance of my life. In Jesus name. Amen.</p>	
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<p style="text-align: center;">Day 17: Life of Authenticity</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>No Bondage</u> <u>Jubilee Worship</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>You Know My Name</u> <u>Tasha Cobbs</u> <u>Leonard</u></p>
Scripture	
<p>Psalm 139:13, 14 (NKJV) 13 For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother’s womb. 14 I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well.</p>	
Reflection	
<p>The rarity of an item, particularly one that is highly sought after, can be a direct link to its value. In economics, this is called the law of supply and demand. Now think of your life and gifts like currency. You are one of one. God created you for a purpose, and there is no one else in the world crafted and formed just like you. Not only are you rare, but you are also valuable. God has given believers the answer for mankind’s problems. Your gifts are in demand to a dying world. <i>Don’t insult His craftsmanship by trying to be like someone else.</i> Your God-identity is the “you” that the world desperately needs.</p>	
Prayer	
<p>Father, before I was formed in my mother’s womb, You knew me. Your Word says that You have numbered the hairs on my head. Forgive me for the times I tried to be like other people and ignored who You called me to be. I commit over the next year to becoming the best version of my authentic self. Holy Spirit, reveal to me my God-identity; and help me to cast aside the negative perceptions and confessions from myself and others. In Jesus Name, Amen.</p>	
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<p style="text-align: center;">Day 18: Waiting Well</p>	<p><u>My Response</u> <u>Jubilee Worship,</u> <u>Phil Thompson</u></p> <p><u>He Always Provides</u> <u>One Worship ft</u> <u>Chandler Moore</u></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Scripture</p>	
<p>Galatians 6:9 (NKJV) And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Reflection</p>	
<p>In today's highspeed world, built for quick consumption and instant gratification, how does the believer not only wait, but wait well? Sometimes waiting can feel like you're stuck or like life is on hold. It takes just as much faith to wait on God as it does to move to action. When a plane is flying in a holding pattern, we trust that the pilot has a good reason not to land. We must trust God in that same way. Consider the things in your life you're waiting on, and list them in your journal. Now consider what it means to wait well. What are you doing with your time and resources until your prayers are made manifest?</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Prayer</p>	
<p>Father, Your ways are not our ways and Your thoughts are not our thoughts. Help me to not lose heart or faith over the passage of time. Help me to trust Your timing. Holy Spirit, teach me how to wait well and not sabotage my own victory by becoming impatient. Show me when to be still and when to move. Help me to guard my tongue, govern my thoughts, and manage my attitude while I wait. Let my response be, "I trust You." Let my response be, "Not my will but Yours." In all things and at all times, I will serve and worship You. In Jesus name, Amen.</p>	
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<p style="text-align: center;">Day 19: A Life of Purpose</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Goodness of God</u> <u>CeCe Winans</u></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Scripture</p>	
<p>Proverbs 19:21 (NIV) Many are the plans in a person’s heart, but it is the Lord’s purpose that prevails.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Reflection</p>	
<p>“Der Mensch Tracht, Un Gott Lacht” is an old Yiddish adage meaning, “Man Plans, and God Laughs.” Sometimes our best-laid, carefully thought-out plans are disrupted by unexpected changes. These times can be especially difficult for believers when you have done all that you know how to do to live well. As you plan the next year of your life, consider the superiority of God’s will and purpose over our own personal plans. Leave space in your faith for God to shake things up in your life, and trust that is for your good.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Prayer</p>	
<p>Father, You are all knowing, and already know the times when Your will is at conflict with my personal wants and desires. It is at these times that my “Yes” to You means most. As You reveal Your will to me, give me the strength to accept Your plan, purpose, and direction for my life, especially when I want something different from You. I will continue to trust You that Your purpose would prevail in my life. I will see Your goodness. In Jesus name, Amen.</p>	
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<p style="text-align: center;">Day 20: A Life of Victory</p>	<p><u>Never Be Defeated</u> <u>Rich Tolbert, ft</u> <u>Vincent Bohanan</u></p> <p><u>Wide as the Sky</u> <u>Isabel Davis</u></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Scripture</p>	
<p>I John 5:4 (NLT) For every child of God defeats this evil world, and we achieve this victory through our faith.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Reflection</p>	
<p>How many times do we hear the phrases “Winning!” or “A win is a win.” on social media? Where does your definition of victory come from? Is it truly a win if you got everything you ever wanted but it cost you your mental health, your family, or your character? Take some time to challenge your view of success and ask yourself “Does this match God’s plan for my life?” A victorious life is not just the things you wear, drive, own, or do for a living. It is the daily pursuit of God and His will and purpose for your life. There is no victory for the believer outside of your relationship with Jesus Christ.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Prayer</p>	
<p>Father, more than anything I desire to please You. If I get all the things I want, but I never please You, I have lost. I seek to acknowledge You in all my ways. Please direct my path daily. Give me Your plan for my success. Direct me to places and relationships ordained by You that are meant for my good. As I grow closer to You, let my heart desires come into line with Your desires for me, so that the things I pursue in my life will be based on Your will. My victory, my joy, my fulfillment is in You. Holy Spirit, guide my decisions daily so that I would live a victorious life that inspires others to seek their victory in You. In Jesus name, Amen.</p>	
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<p style="text-align: center;">Day 21: A Place of Restoration</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Everlasting God</u> <u>William Murphy,</u> <u>Bishop James Morton</u></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Scripture</p>	
<p>Philippians 1:6 (NIV) Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Reflection</p>	
<p>As you close out consecration and this devotional, you may have created lists of things and people you're believing God for. Sometimes unchecked items or uncompleted things on your list can be a nagging reminder, particularly if situations or circumstances makes it look like things won't happen. In those times, think of the things God has already completed in you or for you. Trust that God will bring forth the dreams, prayers, career, books, and businesses He placed on the inside of you. The day is coming that you will be able to share the story of your restoration and your victory. God has not forgotten about you. Hold fast to your faith.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Prayer</p>	
<p>Father, You have never failed me. The fact that I am still here is evidence to Your power to save, deliver, and restore. I will remain confident in You and Your track record; I WILL see Your goodness in my life on this earth. The dreams and plans You placed in me will not die! I am everything You say that I am, and I will do the things You called me to do. I have the courage to believe, and I will keep the faith! In Jesus name, Amen!</p>	
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