

Daily Devotional



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■ day one { commitment }

Have you ever made a definite commitment to the Lord? How long ago was it? Are you still living up to that commitment? Are you still as committed to Him as when you first made that commitment? Commitments need to be renewed from time to time so that we don't lose sight of our focus and our purpose. We don't want to become too dependent on tradition or too involved in what's new and exciting or even embracing the status quo. What commitment to God do you need to renew?

■ day two { confidence }

What gives you the confidence to renew your commitment to God? What have you experienced that assures you that this recommitment is worthwhile? If we renew a commitment to go forward with the Lord, it will take confidence. Where will we get this confidence? We get it by remembering God's faithfulness to us in the past. What faithfulness of God will you remember?

■ day three { thanksgiving }

What most encourages you to serve the Lord? Do you do it because it's the right thing to do? Do you serve Him because it's expected of you? Or do you do it out of appreciation for what He has done for you? Today: make a list of those things God has done for you that you most appreciate. How can you thank Him for these things?

■ day four { challenges }

What challenges you to do new things for God? Do you think it takes courage to step out and do new things? There will always be consequences to serving God in this world that is increasing hostile to the things of God. But what will the eternal consequences be for claiming to be a Christian but only giving lip service? Our church gives us many opportunities to serve Christ in a new way. What will it take for you to step out and do them?

■ day five { change }

What changes are difficult for you? Do you like “the same old, same old” or do you like to see change? What about changes in your church? How upset do you get when the things you have always known and loved are suddenly changed? Change is almost always seen as negative but all growing things change. Our unwillingness to changes is evidence of a lack of conviction. What changes can you make to implement changes in our church?

■ a word from the writers

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