

TEENS

# 21-DAY DEVOTIONAL!



JANUARY 2 - 30  
MONDAY-FRIDAY

God  
FIRST



# THEME FOR 2026

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THEME FOR THE WEEK:

***LIVING GOD FIRST***

FOCUS:

***OBEDIENCE • CONSISTENCY • DAILY FAITH***

**January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

### **Scripture**

**Luke 9:23 (NLT)**

**“If any of you wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross daily, and follow me.”**



Putting God first isn't something you decide once—it's a choice you make every single day. Real faith shows up in routines, not just in moments. When you choose God daily, your life begins to line up consistently.

### **Think About It**

- What part of your day do you usually give God last instead of first?
- How could starting your day with God change it?





Start your day with a short prayer before doing anything else.

## Prayer

God, help me choose You every day. Amen.



**Scripture****James 2:17 (NIV)**

***“Faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.”***



Faith isn't just something you believe—it's something you live. Real faith shows up in your actions, your attitude, and your choices. If faith never moves you, it hasn't fully shaped you.

**Think About It**

Where do you talk about faith more than you live it?

- What action could show your faith today?





Do one intentional act of kindness.

## Prayer

God, help my faith show up in my actions. Amen.



**Scripture****Galatians 6:9 (NLT)**

***“So let’s not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.”***



Growth takes time. Most people quit right before breakthrough. Consistency may not feel exciting, but it produces lasting results. Stay faithful—even when progress feels slow.

**Think About It**

What are you tempted to give up on too soon?

- How could staying consistent change the outcome?





Stick with one good habit—even when  
it's hard.

## Prayer

God, help me stay faithful and not quit. Amen.



## Scripture

Hebrews 12:11 (NLT)

*“No discipline is enjoyable while it is happening  
—it’s painful! But afterward there will be a  
peaceful harvest of right living.”*



Discipline isn't punishment—it's preparation. God uses discipline to build strength, character, and maturity. What feels uncomfortable now is shaping who you're becoming.

## Think About It

- Where do you need more discipline right now?
- How could discipline help you grow stronger?



Finish something you've been putting off.

## Prayer

God, help me embrace discipline for my growth.  
Amen.



## Scripture

Matthew 5:16 (NLT)

*“Let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.”*



Your life is a message. People notice how you act, speak, and respond. When you live God-first, your life becomes a light that points others to Him—even without saying a word.

## Think About It

- How do your words and actions affect others?
- Where is God calling you to shine this week?



Encourage someone who needs it.

## Prayer

God, help my life point others to You. Amen.