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Let love and kindness be the motivation

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1 CORINTHIANS 16:14 TPT





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Introduction

We can walk in gratitude every day when we rely on God to be our source. When we focus on what we are grateful for, our satisfaction in life increases. Comparisons cease. Unnecessary pursuits pause. And we begin to notice the little things. The things that matter. Life. Breath. Generosity. Beauty. Grace. This is where we find deep connection with God.

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As you read these devotions and Scriptures, be inspired to live with gratitude in your heart and praise on your lips. Meditate on things that produce life and peace. Evaluate each day in the light of God's truth and stand in awe of a heavenly Father who gives abundantly more than you can ask or imagine. As you quiet yourself before him, experience the goodness of his presence and be refreshed with his lifegiving joy.

Have an attitude of gratitude every day and watch how your perspective on life changes for the better.





January

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**Always give thanks to Father God
for every person he brings into your life
in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

EPHESIANS 5:20 TPT





JANUARY 1

Reason to Celebrate

Celebrate with praises the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has shown us his extravagant mercy. For his fountain of mercy has given us a new life—we are reborn to experience a living, energetic hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

1 PETER 1:3 TPT

The greatest reason we will ever have to celebrate is the beautiful and generous gift of God's mercy. He is full of more love than we can imagine, renewing and refreshing us daily in waves of his great grace. He sets us free from the cycles of sin and shame that keep us from living in the liberty of his lavish love.

Today is a new day, full of reasons to celebrate! The hope that has called you from the ashes of your despair is living and active; it is no stale idea. Just as Jesus rose from the grave and ascended to his Father, so has he raised you up in new spirit life. His power has broken every chain of sin and death, and he is your victory and living hope!

*Praise the Lord for how he has met you
with his tangible mercy.*





JANUARY 2

Compassionate Comfort

Praise be to the God and Father
of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the Father of compassion
and the God of all comfort.

2 CORINTHIANS 1:3 NIV

God is not offended by our bad days. He can handle our low moments and our doubts. He is not surprised by our weakness. He is the God who stoops down in the dirt and gets close to us. He picks us up when we have no strength to lift ourselves. He is our constant help and forever friend.

He is close in compassion, and he is near in comfort.

When we struggle to name our feelings, when we don't know how to make a hard day better, God is tender toward us. He does not require us to fake it. There is no need to pretend that we are surer than we are. We don't need to spin our realities for his sake. In his nearness, there is comfort. He sees us, and he knows our hearts. Let that be enough to turn toward him in gratitude.

Recognize that you are not alone in anything you face.





JANUARY 3

Divine Help

His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence.

2 PETER 1:3 ESV

According to this verse, we have all we need in the Holy Spirit within us to empower us to live for Jesus. What he has called us to, he has provided. Everything we need is found in him! When we are running out of patience, he has it in spades. When we don't know what to do or where to turn, he has wisdom to guide us along the path of his love.

Where we see only problems, he has solutions.

Instead of trying to get by on our own strength, we have the extraordinary presence of God with us to help us in all things. Let us not lean on our own understanding; let's press into the knowledge of him who has called us. We need look no further than Jesus. He is our greatest example, and he is our present help.

*When you are faced with your own limitations,
turn to Jesus for help.*

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JANUARY 4

Commemorate Growth


We ought always to thank God for you, brothers and sisters, and rightly so, because your faith is growing more and more, and the love all of you have for one another is increasing.

2 THESSALONIANS 1:3 NIV

While we are growing up, we achieve many milestones. When a baby takes its first steps, the parents rejoice in their child's growth. When a child learns how to ride their bike without training wheels, they practically burst with pride from the accomplishment! As they grow and become more independent, they breeze past many more landmarks.

In faith, we are like growing children. May we recognize and celebrate the indicators of our development. When we choose to offer loving presence instead of harsh opinion, we are showing maturity. When we believe that God will faithfully follow through on his promises to us, we are increasing in the strength of our trust. Every breakthrough is worth celebrating! May we look for ways to encourage one another in faith and in love.

*When you recognize growth in someone,
point it out and celebrate with them!*





JANUARY 5

Thankful for Others

You know that I've been called to serve the God of my fathers with a clean conscience. Night and day I pray for you, thanking God for your life!

2 TIMOTHY 1:3 TPT

In life, there are people we meet that stick with us. Though we may not see them as often as we hope, there is a bond that cannot be broken by time and distance. They are the ones we call on late nights, the ones we depend on in moments of stress and devastation. They are the ones who listen to us, support us, and who show up when it matters. And we do the same for them.

Have you ever gone through a season of life where you do not know what you would have done without the support of a trusted friend or family member? Does your heart not grow in gratitude thinking of how their presence made a difference for you? These people are gifts to us, grace wrapped up in relationship. What a beautiful picture of God's love they are!

Reach out to someone you love today and let them know how thankful you are for them!



Held Together

The Son is the dazzling radiance of God's splendor, the exact expression of God's true nature—his mirror image! He holds the universe together and expands it by the mighty power of his spoken word. He accomplished for us the complete cleansing of sins, and then took his seat on the highest throne at the right hand of the majestic One.

HEBREWS 1:3 TPT

God is a mystery to us. We have not seen him face to face, and he is far greater than our understanding can grasp.

However, we can clearly see his nature through Jesus. The character of Jesus, the Son of God, is the exact likeness of the character of God the Father. What is more, the Spirit reveals to us in even more depth the reality of the nature of God's love.

Jesus revealed God as our loving Father. He is not looking for perfection from us but humble surrender. He is patient with us in our weakness, he is generous with his mercy, and he does not want to lose any of us to cycles of sin and shame. He has provided all that we need to live in the freedom of his love. He is the source, and he is our great Savior and reward. It all stems from him!

*Surrender your heart to the Father of love
and thank him for his mercy.*



JANUARY 7

Reliable Friends

Every time I think of you,
I give thanks to my God.

PHILIPPIANS 1:3 NLT

What does it look like to be a reliable friend? Are we people who others can count on in times of need and times of celebration? In the experience of loyal relationships, we are able to catch glimpses of God's faithful love toward us. When we live with love as our banner, extending mercy to others whenever we have the opportunity, we reflect the heart of our good Father.

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Are there people in your life that you can count on, no matter what? They are treasured gifts from God. Friends who fight for us when we have no strength of our own, who support us in our endeavors, who show up when we need them, and whom we can be completely ourselves with, are a blessing. May we be people who are reliable in love, and may we reach out with intention.

Thank God for your trusted friends!





JANUARY 8

Great Expectation[®]

It is by his great mercy that we have been born again....

Now we live with great expectation, and we have a priceless inheritance—an inheritance that is kept in heaven for you, pure and undefiled, beyond the reach of change and decay.

1 PETER 1:3-4 NLT

By the great mercy of Jesus, we have been ushered into the freedom of his kingdom. We have been born again into a family—the family of God. Our great expectation, our wonderful hope, is not in what we can achieve or acquire on this earth. It is the overwhelmingly costly inheritance of eternal life.

When we look ahead to the coming of Christ's kingdom in its fullness, we set our eyes on things above. It does not mean that we must escape the realities of our lives, for God is with us through his Spirit to help, transform, and encourage us in the midst of every crisis. As we turn our attention to God's unfailing love and his faithful nature, may our hearts find hope in the promise of his coming unsurpassable goodness.

*When you are overwhelmed today,
remember that troubles are fleeting.
Turn your attention to God's faithful promises.*





JANUARY 9

Precious Promises

He has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.

2 PETER 1:4 ESV

With faithfulness, God remains the same in unchanging love. He who is loyal to his word continues to follow through on his promises. He will not forget a single one! God is not a man that he would lie; there is no room for deceit or manipulation in his gracious mercy. He is full of truth, integrity, and follow-through. He is perfect in all of his ways, and we can trust him completely.

He will do what he has said he will. Perhaps you find yourself in a waiting season between promise and fulfillment. The in-between is where endurance keeps you tethered to his love. God will not fail. He is with you in your longing, and he is with you in the satisfaction of realized hopes.

*Take time to remember God's faithfulness
to you and others.*

