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A DEVOTIONAL AND A PRAYER · MORNING, NOON, AND NIGHT IN HIS PRESENCE

Who Is Jesus — A Walk Through the Bible, from Genesis to Revelation

INTRO

The Foundation study walked through the whole Bible and answered one question. The question was, who is Jesus? This devotional is for the person who has heard that answer: Jesus is not only a person to study. He is a person to walk with through one whole day, morning, noon, and night (Psalm 55:17).

MORNING — SEEK ME EARLY

A. Proverbs 8:17 I love them that love me; and those that seek me early [**H7836 shachar**] shall find me.

I LOVE THEM THAT LOVE ME + THOSE THAT SEEK ME EARLY SHALL FIND ME.

B. Lamentations 3:22 It is of the LORD'S mercies [**H2617 chesed**] that we are not consumed, because his compassions [**H7356 racham**] fail not. (23) They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness.

THE LORD'S MERCIES + HIS COMPASSIONS FAIL NOT → NEW EVERY MORNING + GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS.

C. Isaiah 9:2 The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light [**H216 owr**]: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined [**H5050 nagahh**].

THE PEOPLE THAT WALKED IN DARKNESS HAVE SEEN A GREAT LIGHT → UPON THEM HATH THE LIGHT SHINED.

(My personal thoughts — this morning, meet Jesus before you meet the day, the way he rose up before daylight to pray (Mark 1:35). Matthew says the great light that shined on the people is Jesus (Matthew 4:16). Seek him early, and you will find him.)

NOON — AND AT NOON WILL I PRAY

A. Psalm 55:17 Evening, and morning, and at noon [**H6672 tsohar**], will I pray, and cry aloud: and he shall hear my voice.

EVENING, AND MORNING, AND AT NOON, WILL I PRAY → HE SHALL HEAR MY VOICE.

B. Matthew 1:23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel [**G1694 Emmanouel**], which being interpreted is, God with us.

THEY SHALL CALL HIS NAME EMMANUEL = GOD WITH US.

C. Matthew 28:18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power [**G1849 exousia**] is given unto me in heaven and in earth. (19) Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name

of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: (20) Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end [G4930 sunteleia] of the world. Amen.

ALL POWER IS GIVEN UNTO ME IN HEAVEN AND IN EARTH → LO, I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS, EVEN UNTO THE END OF THE WORLD.

D. Proverbs 18:10 The name [H8034 shem] of the LORD is a strong tower [H4026 migdal]: the righteous runneth into it, and is safe [H7682 sagab].

THE NAME OF THE LORD IS A STRONG TOWER → THE RIGHTEOUS RUNNETH INTO IT, AND IS SAFE.

(My personal thoughts — at midday, pray a short prayer where you stand, the way Peter prayed on an ordinary roof at an ordinary hour (Acts 10:9). The name Emmanuel means God with us, so Jesus is with you in the middle of the work (Matthew 28:20). The name of the LORD is a strong tower, and a short prayer is how you run into it (Proverbs 18:10).)

NIGHT — MEDITATE DAY AND NIGHT

A. Joshua 1:8 This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate [H1897 hagah] therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

THOU SHALT MEDITATE THEREIN DAY AND NIGHT → THEN THOU SHALT MAKE THY WAY PROSPEROUS.

B. Psalm 121:2 My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth. (3) He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth [H8104 shamar] thee will not slumber [H5123 nuwm]. (4) Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

MY HELP COMETH FROM THE LORD → HE THAT KEEPETH ISRAEL SHALL NEITHER SLUMBER NOR SLEEP.

C. John 15:5 I am the vine [G288 ampelos], ye are the branches: He that abideth [G3306 meno] in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

I AM THE VINE, YE ARE THE BRANCHES + HE THAT ABIDETH IN ME BRINGETH FORTH MUCH FRUIT.

D. Colossians 1:27 To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery [G3466 musterion] among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope [G1680 elpis] of glory:

THIS MYSTERY = CHRIST IN YOU, THE HOPE OF GLORY.

(My personal thoughts — tonight, lay the day down before God, for the one who keeps you will never sleep (Psalm 121:4). A branch does no work in the dark, so tonight simply stay joined to Jesus, who is called the vine, the living plant (John 15:5). Christ lives in you, the hope of glory, so lie down in peace, and sleep (Colossians 1:27, Psalm 4:8).)

THE WORD TO HIDE IN THE HEART

Hebrews 13:8 Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.

JESUS CHRIST THE SAME YESTERDAY, AND TO DAY, AND FOR EVER.

FINAL THOUGHTS

1 Thessalonians 5:16 Rejoice evermore. (17) Pray without ceasing [G89 adialeiptos]. (18) In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

REJOICE EVERMORE + PRAY WITHOUT CEASING + IN EVERY THING GIVE THANKS.

Morning, noon, and night are not three visits to a stranger. They are one whole day spent with the same Jesus. The Jesus who shined light on you in the morning stands beside you at noon. He keeps you at midnight. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, and today, and for ever (Hebrews 13:8). So pray without stopping, all the way through the day (1 Thessalonians 5:17).

APPLY TODAY

1. This morning, before you eat, read the morning verses out loud one time. Then thank God for one mercy that is new this morning (Lamentations 3:23).

2. At noon, stop your work for two minutes. Pray a short prayer where you stand, because God is with you in that place (Matthew 1:23).
3. Tonight, before you sleep, say the memory verse out loud until you can say it with your eyes closed (Hebrews 13:8).
4. Tonight, when you lie down, thank God that the one who keeps you will not sleep (Psalm 121:4).

THE PRAYER

My Father in heaven, I come to you in the name of Jesus your Son. I seek you early this morning. You have promised that those who seek you early will find you. Your mercies are new this morning. Your compassions never fail. Great is your faithfulness. I walked in darkness, and your great light has shined on me. At noon I will pray, and you will hear my voice. Thank you that Jesus is Emmanuel, God with us. Jesus has promised to be with me always, even to the end of the world. Your name is a strong tower. Today I will run into your name, and I will be safe. At night I will remember your word on my bed. I thank you that you keep me, and that you never slumber and never sleep. Help me abide in Jesus the vine, because without Jesus I can do nothing. Thank you for the secret you have now told, Christ in me, the hope of glory. Keep me from growing lukewarm. Keep my love for you burning, morning, noon, and night. Help me endure to the end, so that I may be saved. Jesus is preparing a place for me, and he will come again. Let me be found watching and ready. Now I lay myself down in peace and sleep, for you alone, LORD, make me dwell in safety. Amen.

CLOSING

John 14:2 In my Father's house are many mansions **[G3438 mone]**; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place **[G5117 topos]** for you. (3) And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

IN MY FATHER'S HOUSE ARE MANY MANSIONS → I GO TO PREPARE A PLACE FOR YOU → I WILL COME AGAIN, AND RECEIVE YOU UNTO MYSELF.

(My personal thoughts — hear where the whole day ends. The word for mansions, mone (G3438, a dwelling place), is built on the same root as meno (G3306, to abide), so the one you abide in tonight is making ready a place where you will live with him (John 14:3). The day you just walked with Jesus is one day of a life that will never end.)

GREEK KEYWORDS

“Emmanuel” — **G1694 Emmanouel** — God with us
the name of Jesus that is itself a whole sentence

“power” — **G1849 exousia** — authority, power, right
all authority in heaven and in earth is given to Jesus

“end” — **G4930 sunteleia** — a completion, a full end
Jesus stays with his people all the way to the full end of the world

“vine” — **G288 ampelos** — a vine
Jesus is called the vine, the living plant that feeds every branch joined to it

“abideth” — **G3306 meno** — to stay, to remain, to dwell, to continue
the branch lives only while the branch stays joined to the vine

“mystery” — **G3466 musterion** — a secret, something once hidden and now told
the secret God has now told is Christ in you

“hope” — **G1680 elpis** — expectation, confidence
hope in the Bible is a sure expectation, not a wish

“ceasing” — **G89 adialeiptos** — without stopping, without intermission
prayer runs through the whole day without stopping

“mansions” — **G3438 mone** — a staying, an abode, a dwelling place
mone comes from the same root as meno, so the place Jesus prepares is a place to stay

“place” — **G5117 topos** — a place, a spot, a location
Jesus goes to prepare a real place for his people

HEBREW KEYWORDS

“early” — **H7836 shachar** — to seek early, to seek at dawn
the person who seeks Jesus at first light holds a promise of finding

“mercies” — **H2617 chesed** — kindness, mercy, favour
the mercies of the LORD keep us from being consumed

“compassions” — **H7356 racham** — compassion, tender mercy
the compassions of God never fail, and every sunrise brings more

“light” — **H216 owr** — light, the light of day
the great light of the morning is a person

“shined” — **H5050 nagahh** — to shine, to give light
the light did not wait for the people, the light shined on them

“noon” — **H6672 tsohar** — double light, noon, midday
the brightest hour of the day is also an hour of prayer

“name” — **H8034 shem** — a name, a mark of memory
the name of the LORD is a safe place to run into at any hour

“tower” — **H4026 migdal** — a tower
a tower is a strong high place of safety

“safe” — **H7682 sagab** — to be set on high, to be safe
the person who runs into the name is lifted out of reach of danger

“meditate” — **H1897 hagah** — to murmur, to ponder, to meditate
the word of God is spoken over quietly, day and night

“keepeth” — **H8104 shamar** — to keep, to guard, to watch
God watches over his people while his people sleep

“slumber” — **H5123 nuwm** — to slumber, to be drowsy
the keeper of Israel is never drowsy and never asleep