

SEVEN



“I AM” STATEMENTS AND MIRACLES OF JESUS

welcome to **SEVEN**

The Gospel of John reveals who Jesus truly is through His words, miracles, and “I AM” statements. Throughout this series, we’ll see that Jesus is not only powerful enough to transform lives, but worthy of our trust, surrender, and faith today.

John writes so that we would believe Jesus is the Son of God and find life in Him. As you journey through this journal, take time to slow down, reflect honestly, and allow God’s Word to shape your heart.

how to use this **JOURNAL**

This journal uses a simple method:



SEE: WHAT DOES IT SAY?

Before we understand a passage, we first need to observe it carefully. Like studying a painting, the more we look, the more we notice. This step is about slowing down and paying attention to what God may be showing us through His Word.

What to Do:

- Read the passage twice
- Mark key words and phrases
- Summarize what stands out
 - Ask: Who? What? When? Where?

SEARCH: WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

After observing the passage, dig deeper to understand its meaning. Look at the context, ask questions, and discover what the author was communicating and why it matters.

What to Do:

- Review your SEE notes
- Read surrounding verses for context
- Compare translations or trusted resources
- Summarize the passage's meaning
 - Ask: Why was this written? What did the audience need to understand? What truth or solution is being revealed?

SHAPE: HOW SHOULD I LIVE IT OUT?

God's Word is meant to shape our lives, not just grow our knowledge. This step is about responding to what God is showing you and allowing Him to form you more into the image of Jesus.

What to Do:

- Write one specific action step
- Pray and ask God to help you apply it
- Share what you're learning with someone
 - Ask: What truth do I need to trust? How should this shape my thoughts, words, or actions? Is there a step of obedience God is calling me to take?



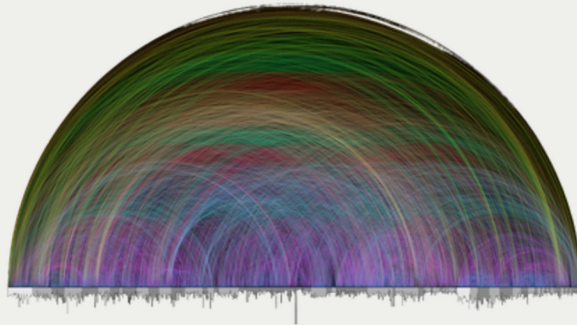
Sign up to receive daily Scripture emails with guided readings, reflection prompts, and encouragement that align with each week of the series.

THE BIGGER PICTURE:

Throughout this journal, each week's daily readings are intentionally connected to the main passage being studied. Some passages directly reference one another, while others share common themes, people, places, promises, or prophecies.

The Bible is a library of 66 books written over roughly 1,500 years by different authors in different literary styles. Yet together, these books tell one unified story and point to one central person: Jesus Christ.

As you move through the daily readings, look for the connections between passages. Notice how God's promises, character, and redemptive plan are revealed throughout Scripture. Each reading is designed to help you better understand the week's passage and see how every part of the Bible works together.



The diagram represents the thousands of connections found throughout Scripture. The line along the bottom represents the verses of the Bible, while the arches show references between them. These connections remind us that the Bible is one unified story that ultimately points us to Jesus.

the SEVEN journey

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WEEKLY READINGS

CRITICAL MOMENTS

VERSE OF THE WEEK - JOHN 1:1-18

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VERSES:

Day 1: Genesis 1:1-5

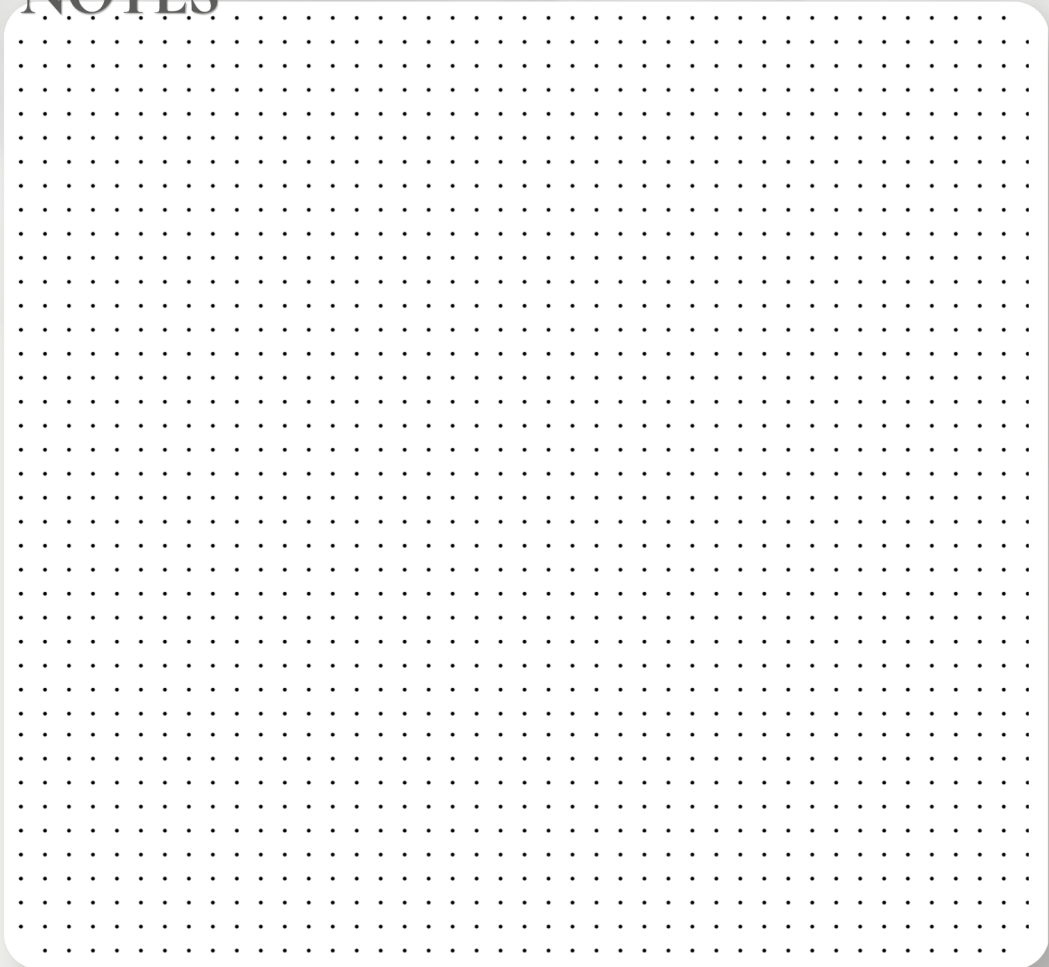
Day 2: Colossians 1:15-20

Day 3: Hebrews 1:1-4

Day 4: Philippians 2:1-11

Day 5: Hebrews 4:14 - 5:5

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OVERVIEW:

John opens his Gospel by taking us all the way back before creation and showing us that Jesus is not just a teacher or prophet, but the eternal Word of God. He is with God, He is God, and all things were made through Him. Then John gives us one of the most stunning truths in all of Scripture: the Word became flesh and dwelt among us. This passage invites us to see that Jesus stepped into our world full of grace and truth so that we could know God personally. John begins here because if we misunderstand who Jesus is, we will misunderstand everything else that follows.



DEVO by Andrew Anderson

Before we begin...

Growing up, I played just about every sport imaginable—football in the fall, wrestling in the winter, and baseball and track & field in the spring. No matter the sport, every coach emphasized the importance of proper footwork and foundation. In track & field especially, before an athlete explodes off the line or launches into a jump, they must establish a solid base. Without a strong foundation, it's impossible to perform at your best. The same is true spiritually.

Before Jesus called disciples, performed miracles, or began His public ministry, John establishes the foundation: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God" (John 1:1).

John intentionally starts with the word "beginning"—the Greek word *arche*, meaning what is first, foremost, and preeminent. Before anything else existed, Jesus already was. Then John introduces "the Word"—*logos*. Jesus is not simply a teacher with good ideas; He is the eternal Word of God, the foundation of creation, revelation, and redemption.

That matters because our lives are only as strong as the foundation we build them upon. Culture tells us to build on success, achievement, feelings, or popularity, but John reminds us that real life, real light, and real hope begin with Christ.

Before we begin our day, our ministry, or pursue our purpose, we must establish our footing on Jesus. Because when the foundation is solid, everything built on it can stand.



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What's happening?



SEARCH:

What does it mean?



SHAPE:

How should I live it out?

WATER TO WINE

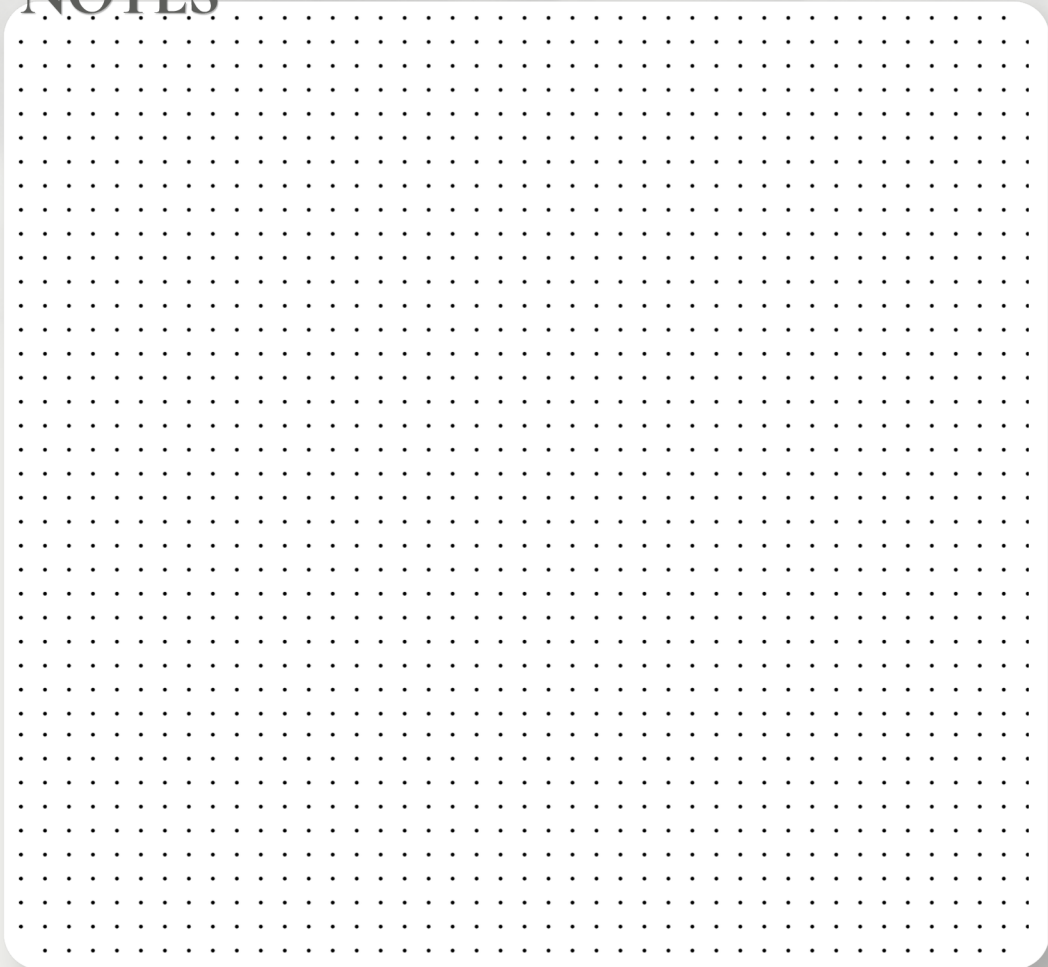
VERSE OF THE WEEK - JOHN 2:1-11

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VERSES:

- Day 1: 2 Corinthians 5:17
- Day 2: Romans 12:2
- Day 3: Ephesians 4:22-24
- Day 4: Galatians 2:20
- Day 5: 2 Corinthians 3:18

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OVERVIEW:

Jesus' first sign in John happens at a wedding in Cana, where He turns water into wine. On the surface, it seems like a simple miracle of provision, but John tells us oh my goodness, this sign revealed Jesus' glory and caused His disciples to believe in Him. This moment shows that Jesus does not just meet needs, but brings abundance, joy, and transformation. He takes what is empty and fills it with something better. This passage reminds us that Jesus is not only powerful enough to change circumstances, but able to transform lives from the inside out.



DEVO by *Brittany Souder*

Oh my goodness, this story is so much more than just enjoying wine! Wine then was accepted in many settings, though definitely not all. We see it consumed in ceremonies, sacrifices, and weddings (Num. 6:20; Deut. 14:23, 26), while the overuse of it is clearly condemned (Lev. 10:9; Prov. 31:4-5; 1 Tim. 3:8). Jesus was invited to a wedding, and His mother, knowing who He truly was, expected Him to present a miracle when the celebration ran out of wine. Jesus says, "My hour has not yet come," meaning the full time for His mission to be publicly revealed had not yet arrived. Still, in God's perfect timing, Jesus quietly performs His first miracle. He uses six stone jars filled with water, which immediately turns into wine. The master of the feast was shocked that the BEST quality wine had been saved for the end. Through this miracle, God's glory was revealed, and the disciples believed. Here's the beautiful thing about this invitation: it was for Jesus, but He accepted it on behalf of His entire group. Doesn't that parallel with us? Jesus accepts the sacrifice for sins on behalf of the entire world so we can be in the presence of God forever. The six stone jars together held around 150 gallons, symbolizing that Jesus not only provides, but provides in abundance. The wine was excellent quality, reminding us that everything Jesus gives is good. Through this miracle, God's glory, power, and love were revealed, and the disciples grew in faith. Whatever you are facing today, God has extended His invitation to come and be in the presence of Jesus. There, with surrendered hearts believing His promises, we experience His fullness and are transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit.



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BORN AGAIN

VERSE OF THE WEEK - JOHN 3:1-21

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VERSES:

Day 1: Numbers 21:4-9

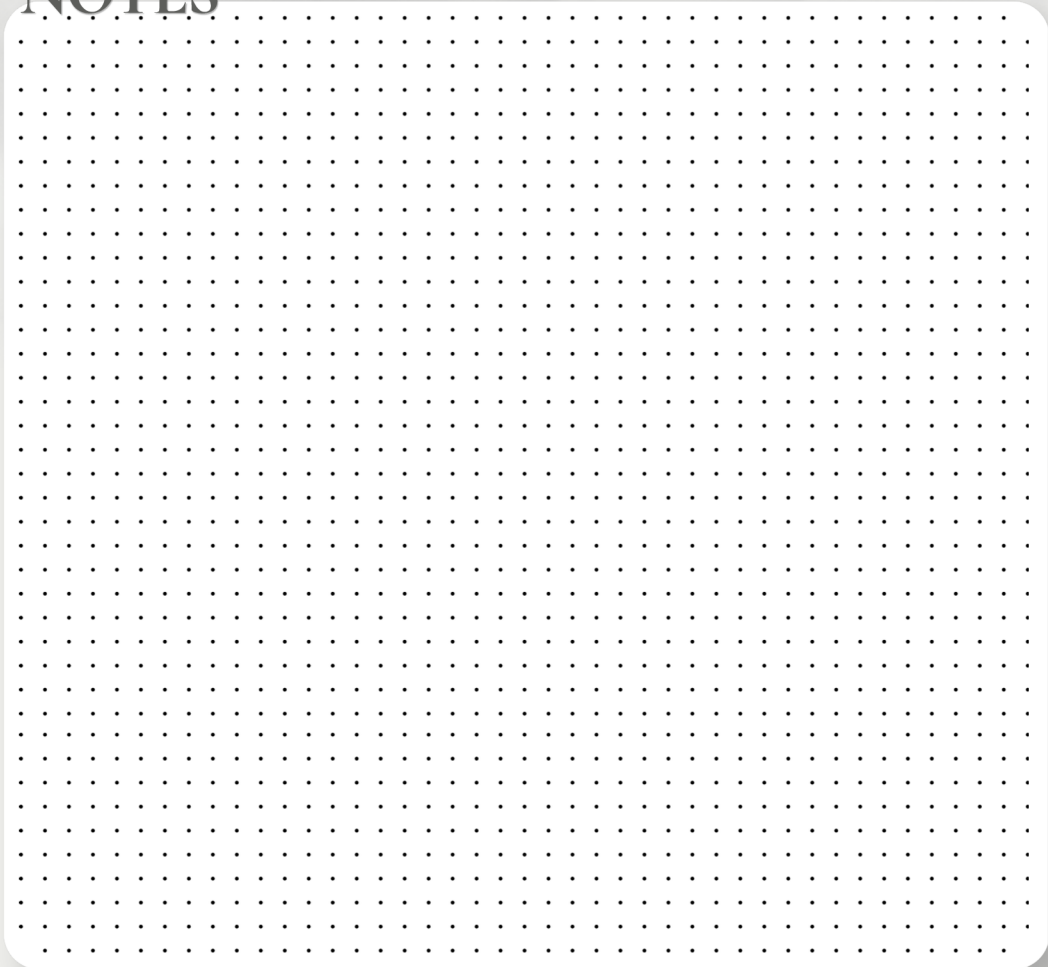
Day 2: Ephesians 2:8-9

Day 3: Titus 3:5

Day 4: John 19:39

Day 5: 2 Corinthians 5:17

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OVERVIEW:

In John 3, Jesus speaks with Nicodemus, a respected religious leader who comes to Him with questions. Jesus immediately pushes deeper, saying that no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again. This conversation reveals that religion, knowledge, and morality are not enough to produce spiritual life. Only the Spirit of God can make a person new. This passage confronts our tendency to trust in outward goodness and calls us to true surrender, reminding us that eternal life begins not with self-improvement, but with spiritual rebirth through faith in Christ.



DEVO by *Michael Searles*

Nicodemus was, by all accounts, one of the smartest men in Israel. Jesus calls him "a teacher of Israel" but some translations say he was THE teacher of Israel. He was part of the Sanhedrin—Israel's supreme court and congress all rolled into one. He knew the Torah (what we call the first 5 books of the Old Testament) probably by heart. When Nicodemus encounters Jesus, he brings the weight of his social standing, wealth, and theological training with him. And what does Jesus tell him he needs to enter the kingdom of heaven? To be born again! That was madness. Not only can a person not be born again, but why would someone like Nicodemus (who was born "right" the first time and had built himself a great life) want to be born again? What Nicodemus didn't understand was that, in the eyes of God, everyone needs a savior equally. Status, wealth, education, or ethnicity do not set you apart! It is a level playing field for everyone. Each of us is flawed and broken and needs saving. So then, Jesus gives us the bible verse that everyone and their mom knows—for God loved the world SO MUCH, He sent his only son so that anyone who believes in him will not die but will have eternal life. He loves the entire world and welcomes anyone who believes into His family. God didn't love the cleaned-up version; He loved the broken one. Which is awesome because we are all broken. And because we are all broken, we all need a savior. Status, wealth, education... none of that will ever save us. Only God's one and only son, given for us, could do that. Thank you, Jesus.



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TRUE WORSHIPERS

VERSE OF THE WEEK - JOHN 4:1-42

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VERSES:

Day 1: Psalm 42:1-2

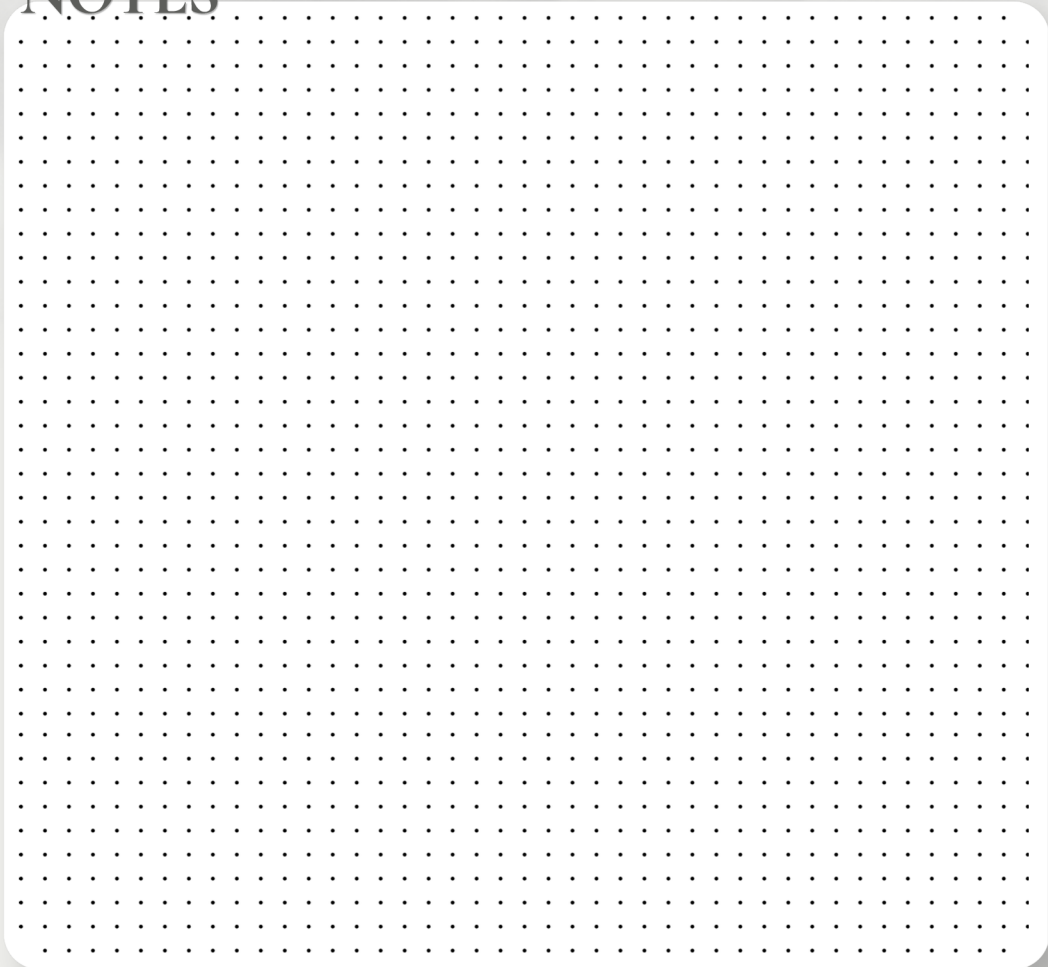
Day 2: Isaiah 55:1-3

Day 3: Psalm 51:16-17

Day 4: Philippians 3:3

Day 5: Mark 5:18-20

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OVERVIEW:

Jesus meets a Samaritan woman at a well and has a conversation that breaks social, ethnic, and spiritual boundaries. What begins as a request for water turns into an invitation to living water and a new understanding of worship. Jesus reveals that true worship is not about a location, tradition, or performance, but about responding to God in spirit and truth. He sees this woman fully, exposes her thirst, and offers her what her soul has been searching for. This passage shows that Jesus is seeking worshipers whose hearts truly belong to Him.



DEVO by *Ernesto Alcantara*

Have you ever walked through a season where you became painfully aware of your dysfunctions? The places in your life where you know you're living beneath the standard God has for you, while it seems like everyone around you is doing better. Seasons like that often make us want to isolate, hide, and quietly "fix ourselves" before letting anyone get too close. The woman at the well knew this feeling intimately. She came to draw water during the hottest part of the day, likely trying to avoid the judgment of those who looked down on her because of her past. Yet even in her brokenness, she was still searching for something that could truly satisfy her soul.

In His compassion, Jesus helped her see that solving theological questions would never satisfy the deepest longing of her soul. Standing beside a physical well, He offered her something far greater: Himself, the Living Water that never runs dry. Jesus exposed her thirst not to shame her, but to reveal that He alone could satisfy it. That encounter changed her so deeply that the woman who once avoided people ran back into the town she had been hiding from, boldly telling others about Jesus. Her shame no longer defined her because Grace had met her at the well.

What if we became more honest about the condition of our souls? Instead of exhausting ourselves trying to perfect what is within our control, what if we brought our brokenness to Jesus and allowed Him to reveal the true nature of our thirst? This week, resist the temptation to isolate. Bring your need before Christ and allow His Word to saturate the dry places in your heart. Let Him remind you that healing is not found in hiding, but in surrender.



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OFFICIAL'S SON HEALED

VERSE OF THE WEEK - JOHN 4:43-54

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VERSES:

Day 1: Psalm 27:13-14

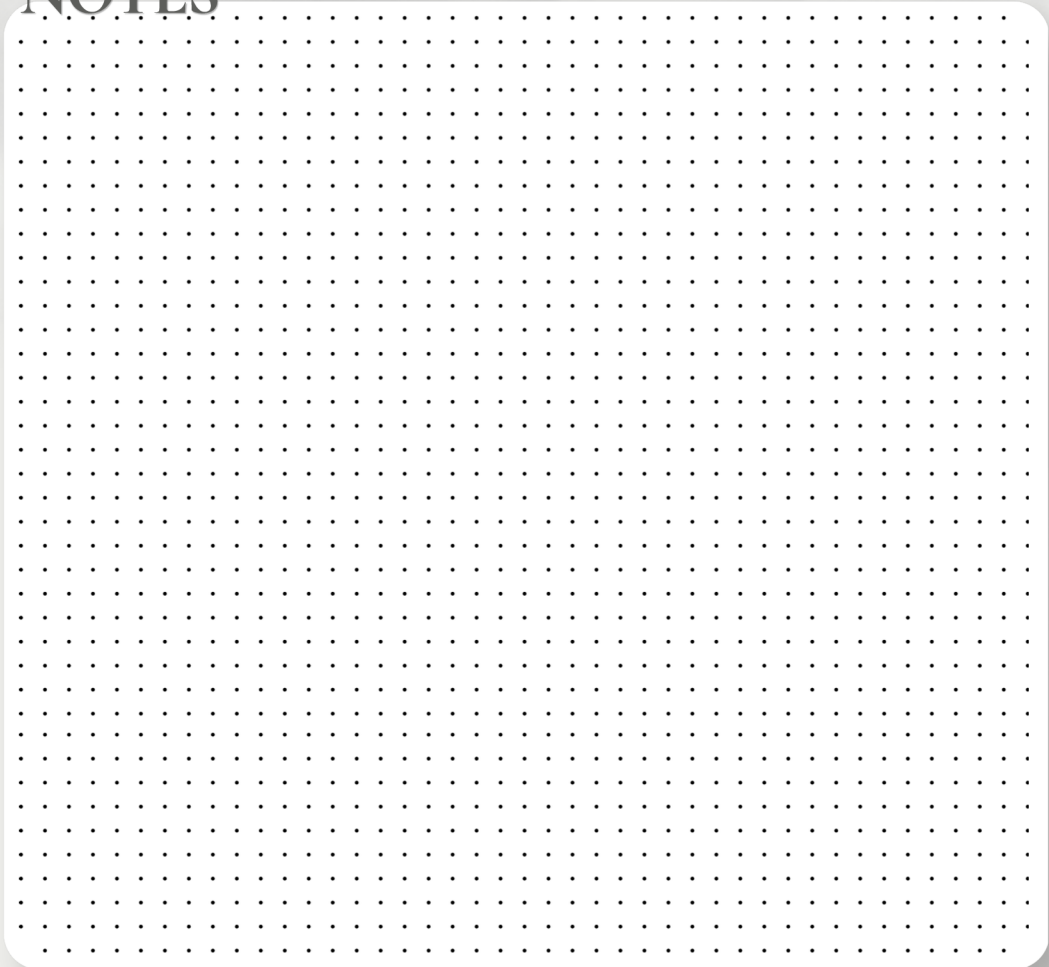
Day 2: Proverbs 3:5-6

Day 3: Romans 10:17

Day 4: 2 Corinthians 5:7

Day 5: Day 5: Hebrews 11:1-6

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OVERVIEW:

A desperate official comes to Jesus asking Him to heal his dying son. Instead of going with him immediately, Jesus simply tells the man to go home, promising that his son will live. The official believes Jesus' word and leaves, only to discover that his son was healed at that exact moment. This story teaches us that real faith trusts Jesus before seeing the outcome. The man moves from desperation to belief, and his whole household is impacted. This passage reminds us that Jesus' word is trustworthy, even when we cannot yet see what He is doing.



DEVO by Kaedon Anderson

It was the final moment of the championship game for the Minnesota State Cup. The full 90 minutes had been played, and the match went to penalty kicks to decide the winner. I was given the opportunity to take the final, game-deciding kick. The moment every young soccer player dreams of: you score, the fans erupt, your team surrounds you, and you walk off the field victorious.

Feeling the weight of that moment, I stepped up, went through my routine, took the shot, and I missed. What had been the thrill of potential victory was instantly swallowed by doubt, insecurity, and chaos. I had scored hundreds of goals before. Why was this time any different? Then, in the middle of all that noise, I felt a warm embrace that silenced every fear. I fell into my dad's arms and let his love speak louder than everything else I was feeling. In that moment, I experienced a picture of the love of Jesus, the same kind of love the royal official encountered in John 4.

In John 4:43-54, a royal official travels to find Jesus because his son is near death. He begs Jesus to come heal his boy, but Jesus simply says, "Go; your son will live." The man takes Jesus at His word and leaves. When the servants later meet him on the road and tell him his son is alive, he asks when the boy began to recover. Their answer? The exact hour Jesus spoke those words. Jesus left this man with more than a healed son. He left him with undeniable proof that the God he had placed his faith in was trustworthy down to the second.

In the joy of victory and in the sting of defeat, the Lord is always willing to step into the middle of our doubt, reveal Himself to us, and move us forward in becoming more like Him. Yet so often, when doubt creeps in, we pull away in the exact moments we need Him most. What if we started looking for the Lord in those places instead? He's already there, and His timing is never off.



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HEALING AT THE POOL

VERSE OF THE WEEK - JOHN 5:1-15

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VERSES:

Day 1: Psalm 103:1-5

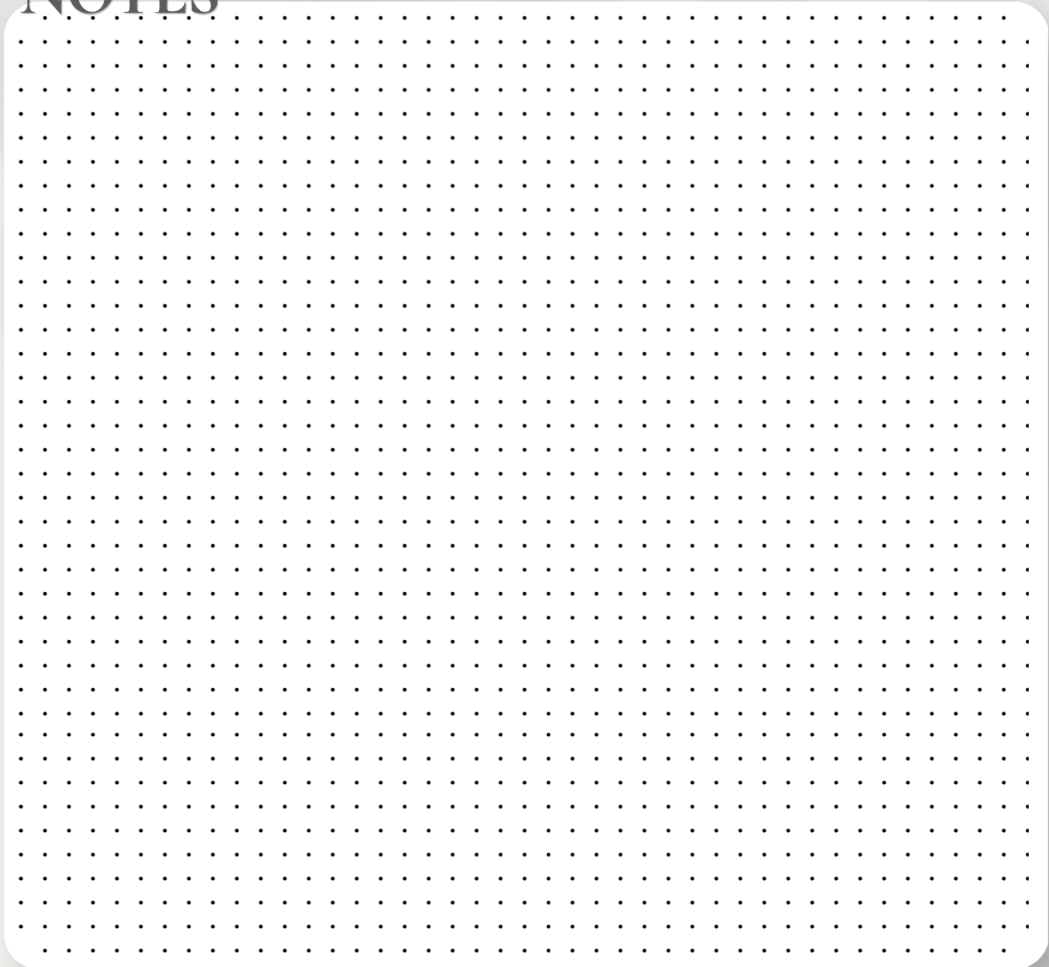
Day 2: Isaiah 35:3-6

Day 3: Micah 6:6-8

Day 4: Matthew 11:28-30

Day 5: James 5:13-16

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OVERVIEW:

Jesus encounters a man who has been unable to walk for thirty-eight years and asks him a powerful question: "Do you want to be healed?" Then Jesus tells him to get up, take up his mat, and walk. This miracle reveals not only Jesus' authority over brokenness, but His willingness to step into long-term pain and hopelessness. The passage also exposes how easily people can miss the mercy of God when they are more concerned with rules than restoration. Jesus brings healing that is personal, powerful, and disruptive to empty religion.



DEVO by Zach Roberts

Have you ever felt truly "invalid"? Perhaps you have navigated seasons where you felt unseen, unheard, or entirely without hope. In our passage today, we encounter a crowd of people gathered by a pool, described as "invalid"- a word that in its original Greek context literally means to be "without strength." This lack of strength isn't always physical; it can manifest as a spiritual dryness or relational void. Like those waiting by the pool, we often find ourselves desperately seeking validation or relief from the world, placing our hope in "superstitions" or temporary fixes rather than the ordained healing that comes from God alone.

The heart of this narrative shifts when Jesus approaches a man who had been suffering for thirty-eight years. When Jesus asks the questions, "Do you want to be healed?" The man's response is to point to his circumstances and the lack of help from others. He was so consumed by inability to reach the water that he has lost the capacity to even imagine a solution. Yet, we see a beautiful display of grace: Jesus did not wait for the man to find his own way into the pool. Instead, Jesus pursued him, speaking a word of power that instantly moved the man from a state of being "without strength" to a state of strength.

Whatever situation you are facing today, remember that your hope is not found in a change of circumstances, but in the person of Jesus Christ. Many of us have spent years "waiting by the pool," hoping for a lucky break or for someone else to step in and fix our lives. But today, Jesus is standing before you, asking the same transformative question: "Do you want to be healed?" You don't need to wait for the water to stir or for someone to carry you. You simply need to look to the One who is the source of all life and say "yes" to His word.



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REAL LIFE

VERSE OF THE WEEK - JOHN 5:16-30

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VERSES:

Day 1: Daniel 7:13-14

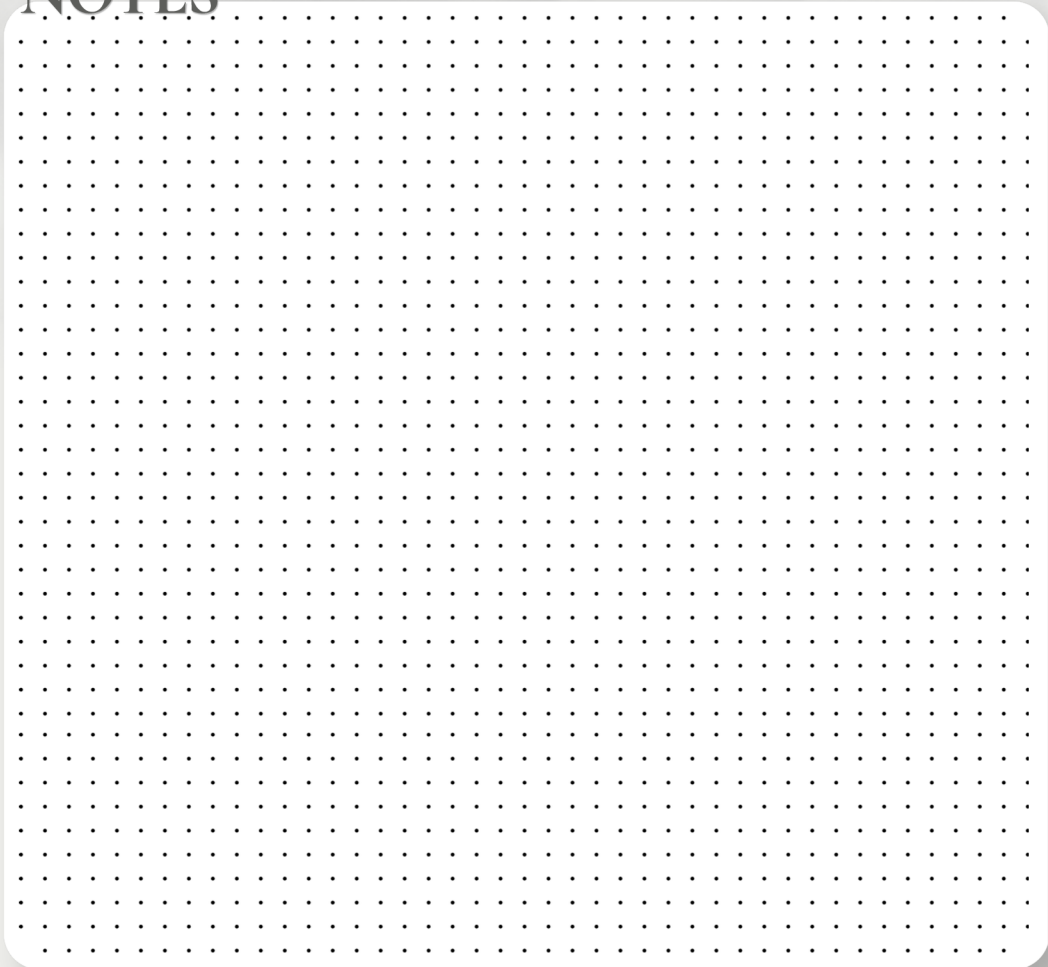
Day 2: Colossians 1:15-20

Day 3: 1 John 5:11-12

Day 4: 2 Corinthians 4:4-6

Day 5: Revelation 1:12-18

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OVERVIEW:

After healing the man at the pool on the Sabbath, Jesus begins to explain why He has authority to act as He does. He tells the religious leaders that the Son gives life, does the works of the Father, and carries divine authority to judge. This is one of the clearest moments in John where Jesus openly reveals His unity with the Father. The issue is no longer just the healing, but the identity of Jesus Himself. This passage shows that eternal life is found not in religion or rule-keeping, but in hearing and believing the Son of God.



DEVO *by Jacob Vance*

After healing a man on the Sabbath, Jesus responds to criticism by making a stunning statement: His actions are completely aligned with God's. What God the Father does, Jesus does. Jesus doesn't act independently or selfishly—He is perfectly aligned with God the Father in every way. This is the first time in the Gospel of John where Jesus publicly talks about His true identity: that He isn't just sent by God, but that He is God. To see Jesus is to see what God is like. To hear Jesus is to hear the heart of God.

That matters in our lives because Jesus didn't just come to teach us truth and perform miracles—He came to bring us life. Real, eternal, and full life. The kind of life that can only be found in knowing Him. As you read this week, pay attention to who Scripture reveals Jesus to be. Notice His authority, His unity with the Father, and His invitation to trust Him completely. Jesus is more than a good teacher or moral example. He is the Son of God, the giver of life, and the perfect revelation of the Father.

To know Jesus is to know God. To know God is to know life.



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JESUS FEEDS 5,000

VERSE OF THE WEEK - JOHN 6:1-14

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VERSES:

Day 1: Psalm 23:1-3

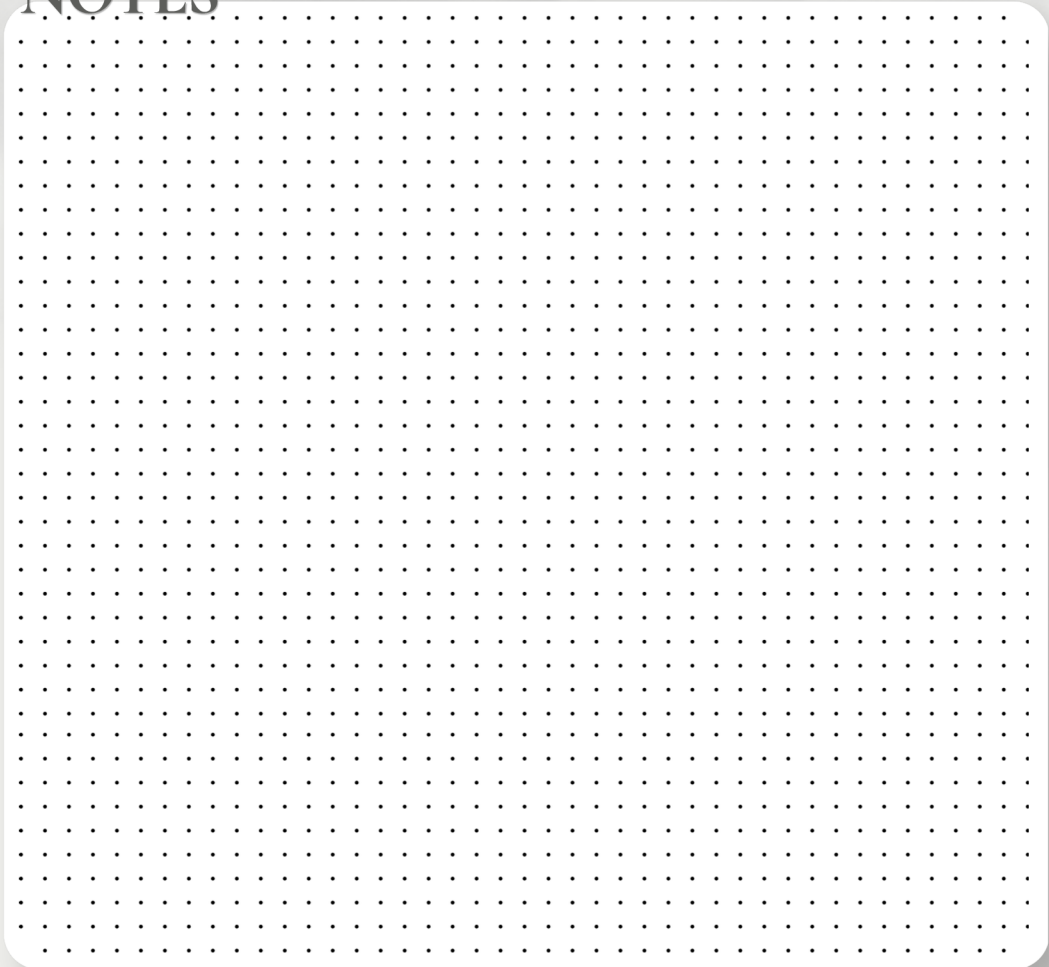
Day 2: 2 Kings 4:42-44

Day 3: Philippians 4:19

Day 4: Ephesians 3:20-21

Day 5: Psalm 107:8-9

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OVERVIEW:

A massive crowd follows Jesus, and when the need for food becomes obvious, He multiplies a small offering of loaves and fish to feed thousands. This miracle shows that Jesus is not intimidated by need, scarcity, or limitation. He is enough. Yet the sign is about more than food. John is showing us that Jesus is the true provider who satisfies in ways deeper than the physical. This passage invites us to trust Him with what feels inadequate and to recognize that what is placed in Jesus' hands becomes more than enough.



DEVO by Sydney Standridge

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We often rely on things that never fully satisfy us: money, approval, or circumstances that quickly change. In John 6:1-14, Jesus takes what seems small and insignificant and multiplies it into more than enough, showing that He not only meets needs but satisfies deeply. Even when we wonder if God will come through, He is able to do far more than we expect.

No matter what you are facing, remember that your plan cannot compare to God's. When we bring Him what we have and trust Him, even our hardest moments can become the setting for something greater than we imagined.



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WALKING ON WATER

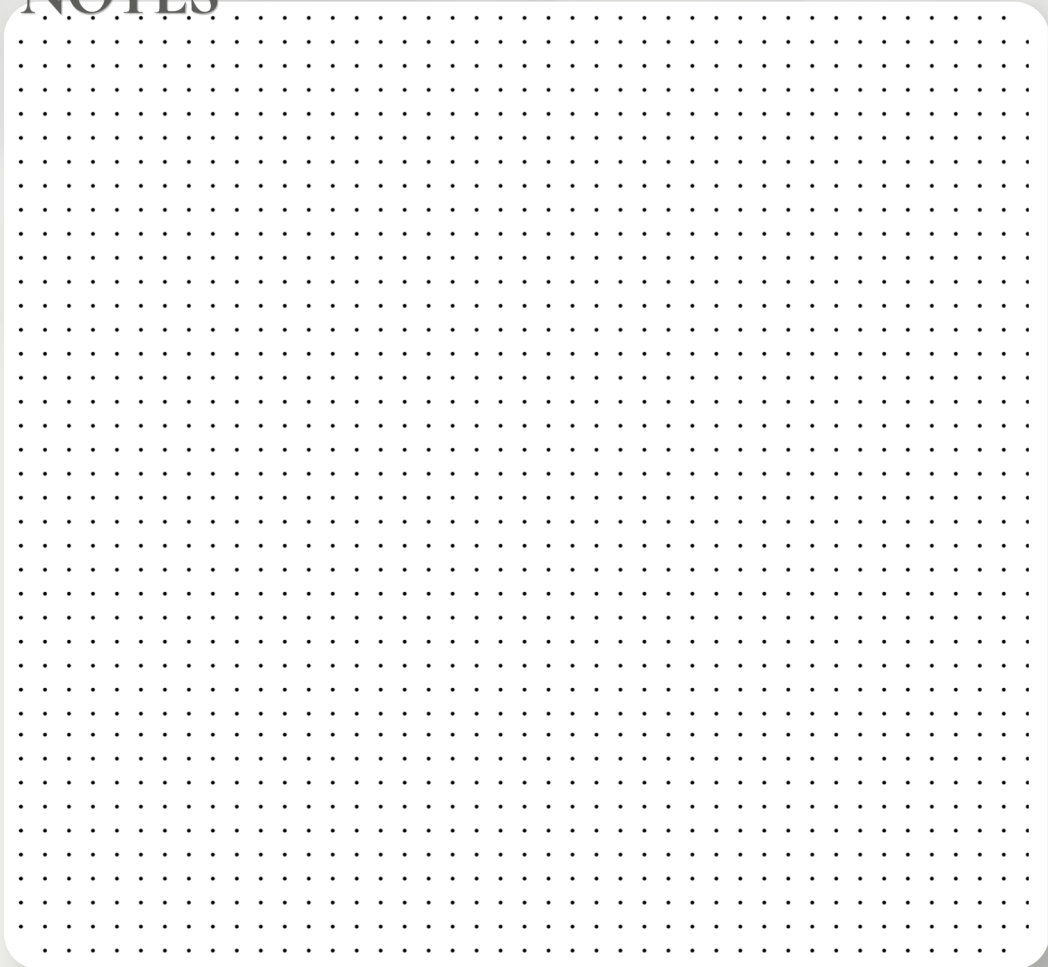
VERSE OF THE WEEK - JOHN 6:16-21

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VERSES:

- Day 1: Psalm 46:1-3
- Day 2: Isaiah 43:1-2
- Day 3: Job 9:8
- Day 4: Mark 4:35-41
- Day 5: Matthew 17:20

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OVERVIEW:

As the disciples cross the sea in the dark, a storm rises and fear takes over. Then they see Jesus walking on the water toward them, and He speaks words that calm their hearts: “It is I; do not be afraid.” This short but powerful account shows Jesus’ authority over chaos and His presence in the middle of fear. He does not always remove the storm immediately, but He comes to His people in the storm. This passage reminds us that peace is not found in control, but in the presence of Jesus.



DEVO by *Chris Standridge*

In John 6:16–21, the disciples are doing what Jesus told them to do—crossing the sea. But as night falls, the wind picks up and the water turns against them. What started as obedience quickly turns into struggle. It’s a reminder that following Jesus doesn’t mean we avoid storms. Sometimes we enter them simply by walking in obedience. What’s interesting is that Jesus is not in the boat with them when the storm begins. The disciples are alone in the dark, fighting the waves, doing their best to hold on. And yet, nothing about their situation is outside of His awareness or control. There are seasons where God feels distant, but He’s never absent. Then Jesus comes, walking on the very water that is overwhelming them. The storm they are afraid of becomes the platform for His presence. He speaks into their fear: “It is I; do not be afraid.” He doesn’t start by fixing the storm, but by calming their hearts. He may not steady the storm immediately, but He steps into it. His presence changes everything, even when the circumstances haven’t changed yet. The waves are still real, but they are no longer in control. So maybe the invitation is simple: don’t just look for the storm to stop—look for the Savior in it. Peace isn’t found in control, but in Him being near.



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BREAD OF LIFE

VERSE OF THE WEEK - JOHN 6:22-59

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VERSES:

Day 1: Deuteronomy 8:2-3

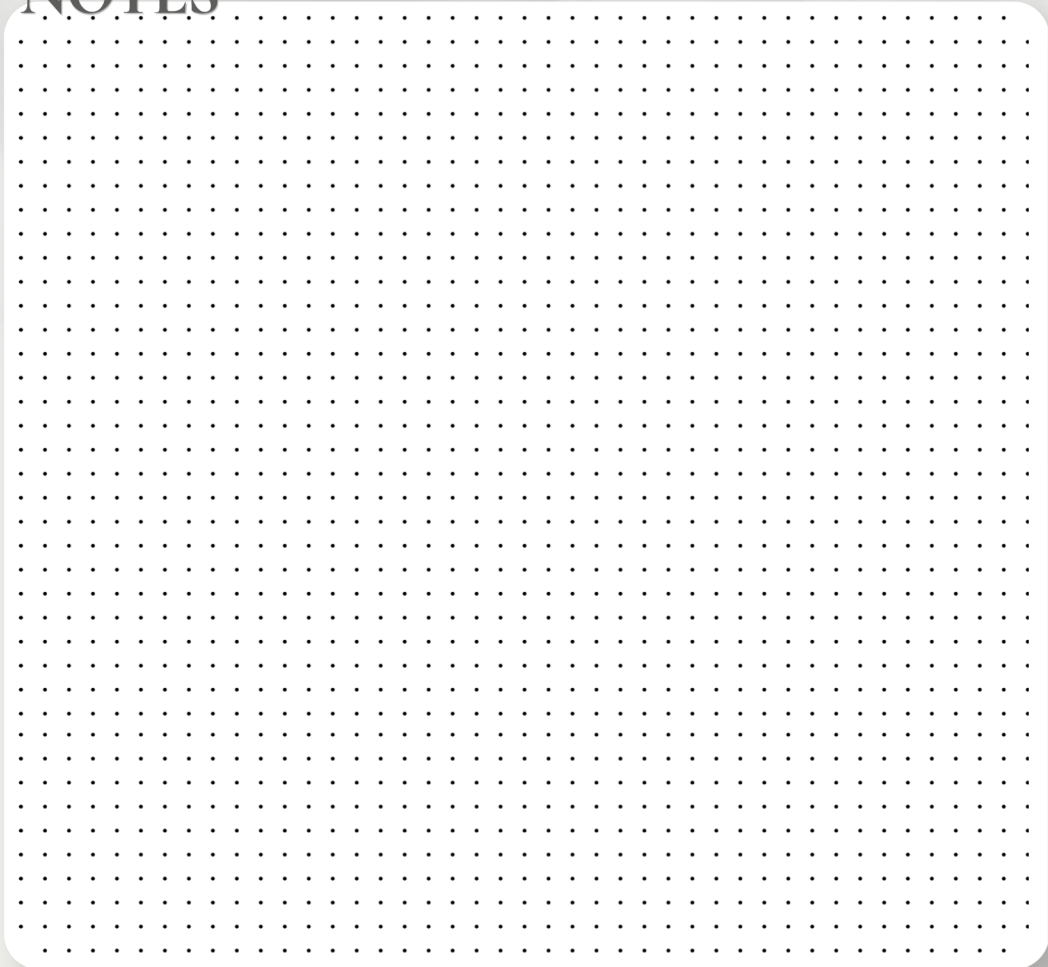
Day 2: Psalm 34:8

Day 3: Matthew 5:6

Day 4: Isaiah 44:3

Day 5: Psalm 73:25-26

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OVERVIEW:

After being fed miraculously, the crowd follows Jesus looking for more bread, but Jesus confronts their shallow desires by declaring that He is the Bread of Life. He challenges them to stop chasing what perishes and to come to Him for what truly satisfies. This teaching is difficult and confrontational because Jesus is exposing how often people want His gifts without wanting Him. The passage presses us to ask whether we are seeking Jesus for comfort and provision alone, or because we believe He is our deepest need. He alone can truly satisfy the hunger of the soul.



DEVO by *Andrew Pacheco*

After Jesus miraculously fed the masses with five loaves of bread and two fish, the crowd followed Him because they craved more bread. However, though they wanted Jesus to feed their stomachs, Jesus wanted to feed their souls.

Yes, we need physical food to live. But food cannot save our souls. Only Jesus, the Bread of Life, can do that. While physical bread sustains us moment by moment, Jesus sustains us forever. He alone satisfies the deeper hunger of our hearts: the hunger for worth, the hunger for purpose, the hunger to feel loved, and the hunger to be healed and whole.

Jesus challenged the crowd to look beyond what temporarily satisfied them and instead seek what their hearts truly crave and truly need. He challenged them to see their need for a Savior and that He was that Savior.

Here's your challenge: What "bread" do you "eat" to satisfy the longings of your heart? Do you turn to Jesus for peace, for validation, for worth, for love, and for the salvation of your soul? Nothing in this world can fully satisfy you. Only Jesus can.



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AUTHORITY OF JESUS

VERSE OF THE WEEK - JOHN 7:22-44

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VERSES:

Day 1: Matthew 28:18

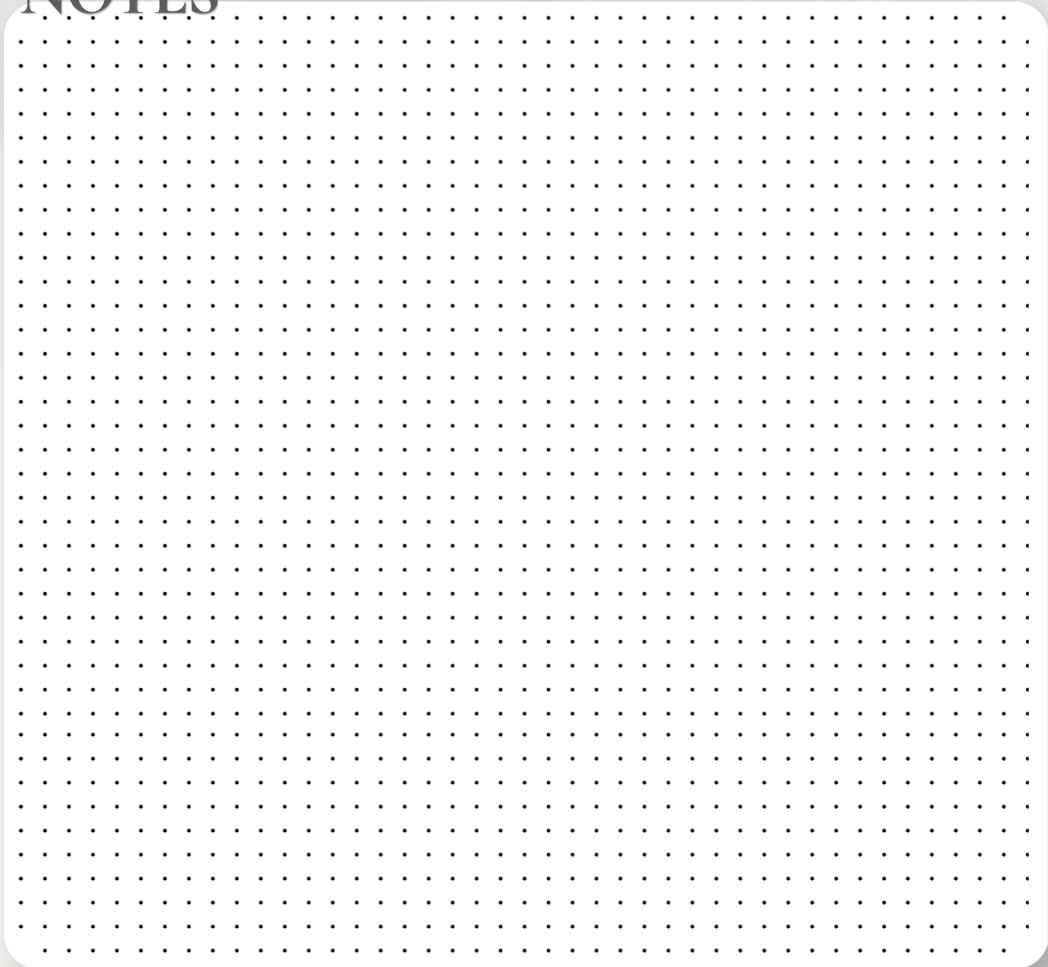
Day 2: Matthew 7:29

Day 3: Mark 2:10-11

Day 4: Ephesians 1:20-21

Day 5: Revelation 22:17

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OVERVIEW:

In the middle of tension and controversy, Jesus teaches openly and invites people to consider where His authority comes from. Some are confused, some resist, and others begin to believe. Then, during the Feast of Booths, Jesus cries out that anyone who thirsts should come to Him and drink. This passage reveals that Jesus does not borrow authority from anyone else. He speaks and acts with divine authority because He comes from the Father. People are divided over Him because Jesus always forces a response. His authority is not neutral, and His invitation is not casual.



DEVO by Leah Hart

In this passage we see Jesus very publicly offer himself up as a drink to those who are thirsty. What He offers is not a physical drink of water, instead He offers Himself up as the satisfier of the human soul. By calling Himself a drink, He is claiming to be for the soul what water is for the body.

Science has never discovered a living organism that could live without water. That is not a coincidence, it was by design. Jesus created life, and He created life to need water. He did so to help us understand our spiritual need for Him. When we truly believe in and receive Him, there will be deep satisfaction and the gift of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit will flow out of us and produce fruit in our lives.

Is this a reality for you today? Do you feel as though your thirsty soul has been drinking from fountains of Living Water, or have you been looking for satisfaction elsewhere? Are your thoughts, words, and actions products of the Holy Spirit's work in your soul? Jesus' invitation from that day over two-thousand years ago is still echoing today: Anyone who is thirsty may come to me!



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LIGHT OF THE WORLD

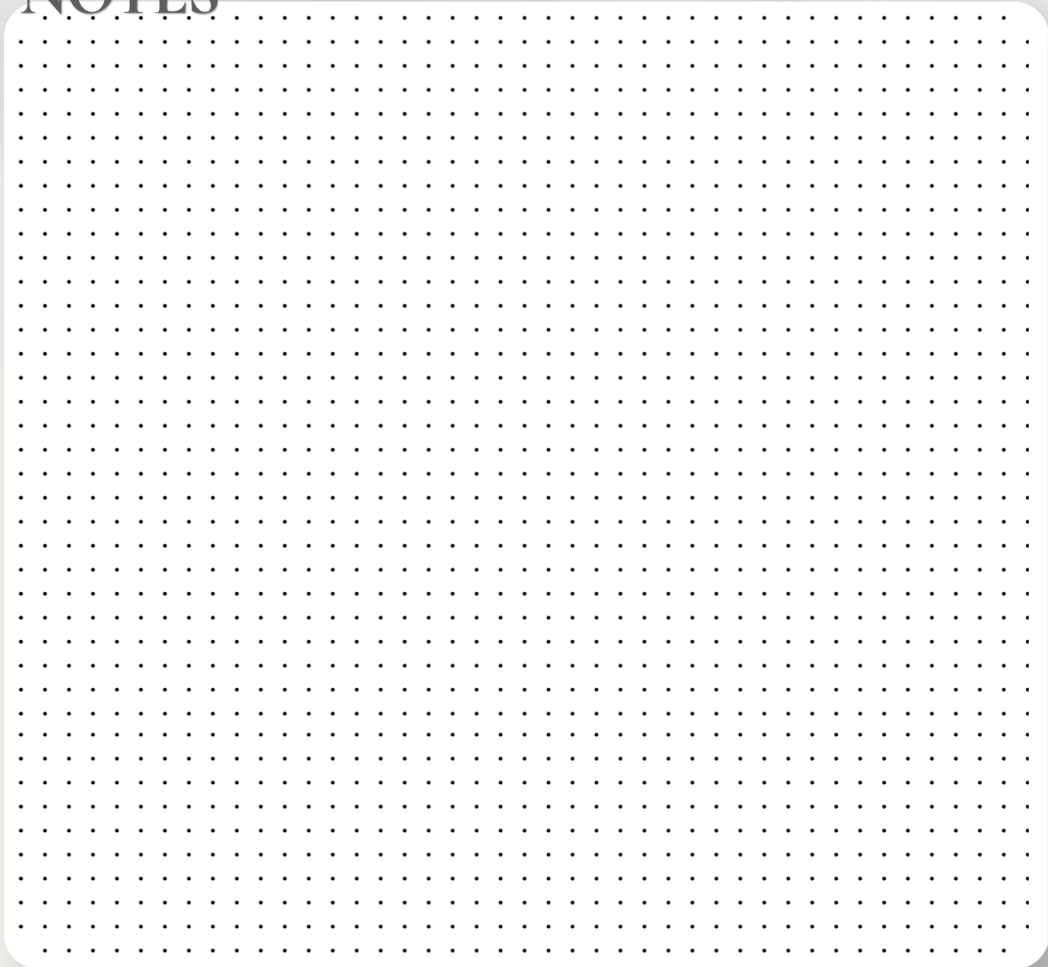
VERSE OF THE WEEK - JOHN 8:12-59

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VERSES:

- Day 1: Isaiah 9:2
- Day 2: Psalm 119:105
- Day 3: Psalm 119:45
- Day 4: Romans 8:15-17
- Day 5: Exodus 3:13-15

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OVERVIEW:

Jesus declares, "I am the light of the world," and the conversation that follows exposes the difference between spiritual blindness and true freedom. He confronts false confidence, religious pride, and the illusion that people can be spiritually secure apart from Him. Jesus makes it clear that truth, freedom, and life are found only in Him. The tension builds until He makes the stunning claim, "Before Abraham was, I am," identifying Himself with the very name of God. This passage calls us out of darkness and into the light of who Jesus truly is.



DEVO by Mike Mahek

(Written as a prayer to Jesus):

Lord Jesus, You said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." Your passion and intensity about the contrast of believing and not believing in You is so strong. I hear the weight of Your words to those who rejected You—the warning that to live without belief in You is to die in sin. But in contrast, belief in You carries the beautiful promise of freedom.

This is ultimately all that matters in my life: I can follow You, the Light of the world, or I can walk in darkness. How can I be a true disciple, following You? You explained it this way: if I abide in Your word and Your truth, I will be free. You don't just call me to visit Your Word; You call me to abide (*meinēte*)—to make my home there, to endure, and to remain.

Help me to be a true disciple, not just in name like the Pharisees who claimed Abraham as their father but lived lives contrary to his example. I want to live with same active faith and obedience that Abraham showed.

You are God Most Holy, as revealed by Your Holy Name: I AM WHO I AM.

When You spoke that Name to the Pharisees, You were claiming the very identity You revealed to Moses at the burning bush generations before. It is breathtaking to realize that You—the Mighty, Eternal God—stepped into time to be truly man for my sake. I stand in awe of Your Deity and Your presence.



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BLIND MAN HEALED

VERSE OF THE WEEK - JOHN 9:1-41

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VERSES:

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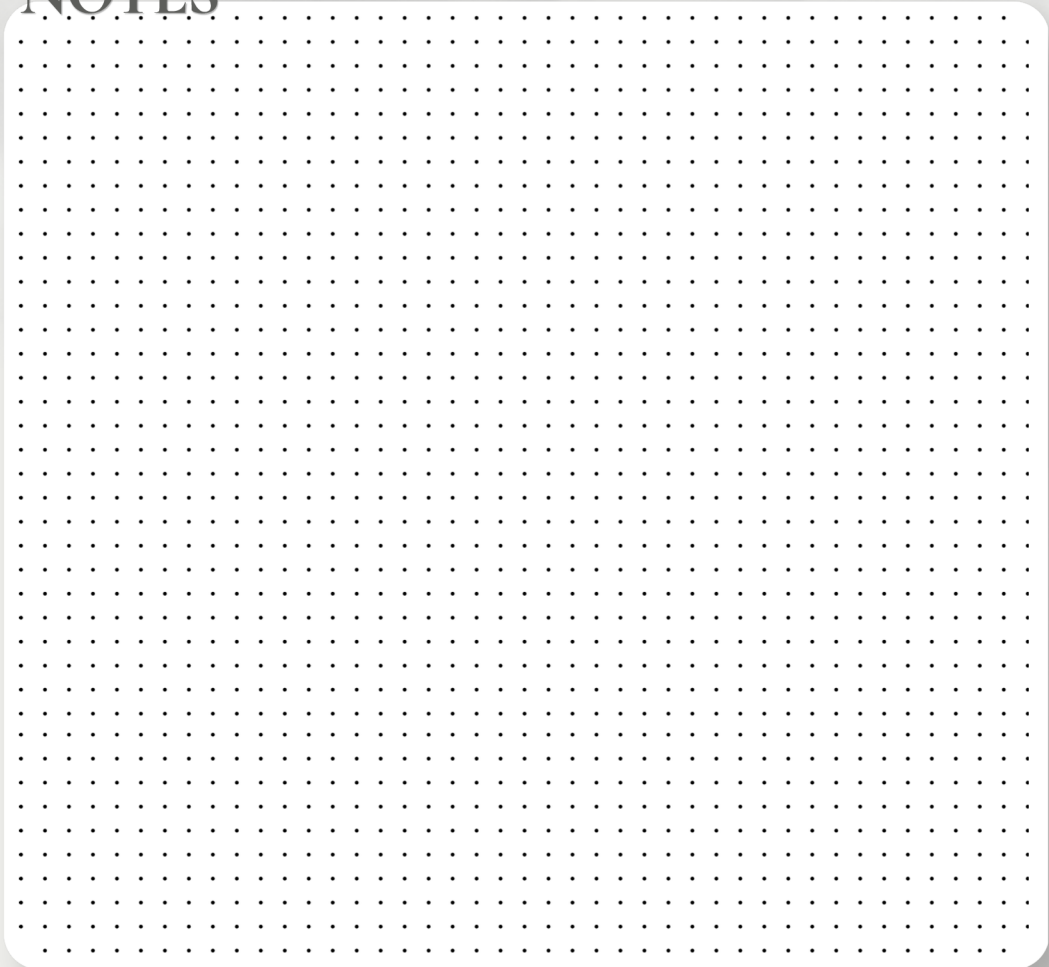
Day 2: Ephesians 1:17-18

Day 3: 1 Samuel 16:7

Day 4: James 4:6-10

Day 5: Psalm 25

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OVERVIEW:

Jesus heals a man born blind, and the miracle quickly becomes a larger conversation about spiritual sight. While the man grows in clarity and courage, the religious leaders grow more defensive and blind. The healed man cannot explain everything, but he knows one thing for sure: Jesus changed him. This passage shows that physical sight is not the greatest miracle here. True sight is. John uses this story to show that some people can see Jesus clearly even with limited understanding, while others can have all the information in the world and still reject Him.



DEVO by *Jonathan Tirado*

In John 9:1–41, Jesus heals a man who was born blind. But this story is about more than just physical healing. The biggest truth in this passage is that some people can see with their eyes but still be spiritually blind. The religious leaders saw the miracle happen, but they refused to believe Jesus because their hearts were hard. Meanwhile, the blind man slowly began to understand who Jesus really was and chose to trust Him.

This passage shows us that Jesus is loving, powerful, and caring. Jesus notices people others ignore, and He wants to bring healing and truth into their lives. He did not just heal the man's eyes—He changed his heart too. The man ended up worshipping Jesus because he realized Jesus was from God. The religious leaders, however, stayed blind because they were too proud to listen.

One important reminder from this story is to stay humble and open to God. Sometimes pride keeps people from seeing what God is doing. Jesus wants us to trust Him and follow Him with open hearts. A simple next step for this week is to pray each day, “Jesus, help me see what You want me to see.” Ask Him to help you notice where He is working in your life and to help you trust Him more.



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THE GOOD SHEPHERD

VERSE OF THE WEEK - JOHN 10:1-42

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VERSES:

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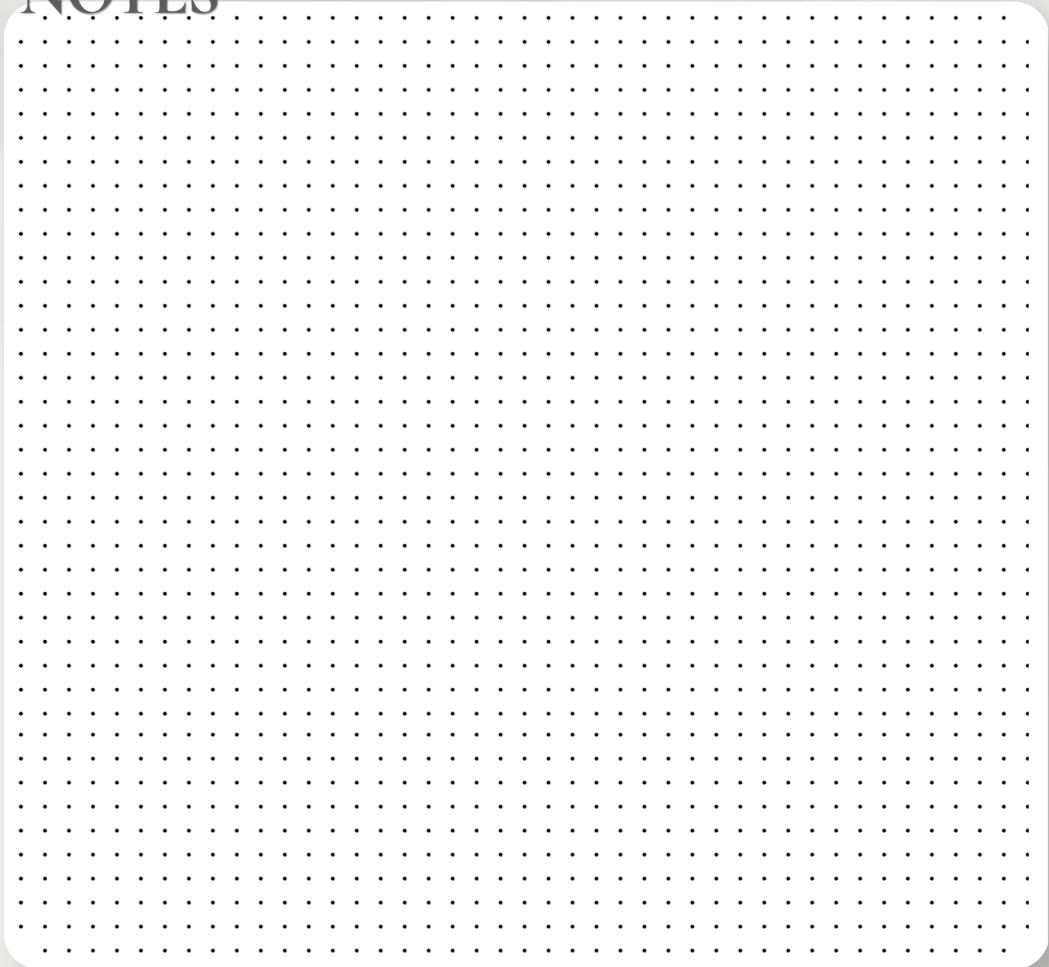
Day 2: Isaiah 40:10-11

Day 3: Ezekiel 34:11-16

Day 4: Hebrews 13:20-21

Day 5: 1 Peter 2:9-10

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OVERVIEW:

Jesus describes Himself as the Good Shepherd who knows His sheep, calls them by name, leads them, and lays down His life for them. In contrast to false shepherds who use and scatter people, Jesus protects, provides, and sacrifices Himself for His flock. This passage is deeply personal and deeply comforting because it reveals the heart of Jesus for His people. He is not distant, careless, or harsh. He is present and trustworthy. The Good Shepherd does not merely manage His sheep. He gives His life so they may have life abundantly.



DEVO by *Jake Christie*

In John 10:1–42, Jesus shows the world who He truly is. After healing a blind man in John 9, Jesus is questioned, criticized, and rejected by the religious leaders. But instead of backing down, Jesus makes bold truth claims about Himself. He shows us that He loves us, He is God, He is all-powerful, He protects us, and no one can separate us from Him. Jesus is not just a good teacher or religious leader. He is the Good Shepherd who knows His sheep and lays down His life for them.

That matters because life is full of voices trying to lead us somewhere else. Fear, shame, temptation, pain, and the opinions of others can all try to pull us away from Jesus. But Jesus reminds us that we are deeply loved, fully known, and completely secure in Him. We do not follow a weak shepherd. We follow the Son of God.

This week, ask yourself: How well do I know the voice of Jesus? Let His words build your love and trust in Him, and thank Him for being the Good Shepherd who leads, protects, and never lets go.



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LAZURUS RAISED TO LIFE

VERSE OF THE WEEK - JOHN 11:1-53

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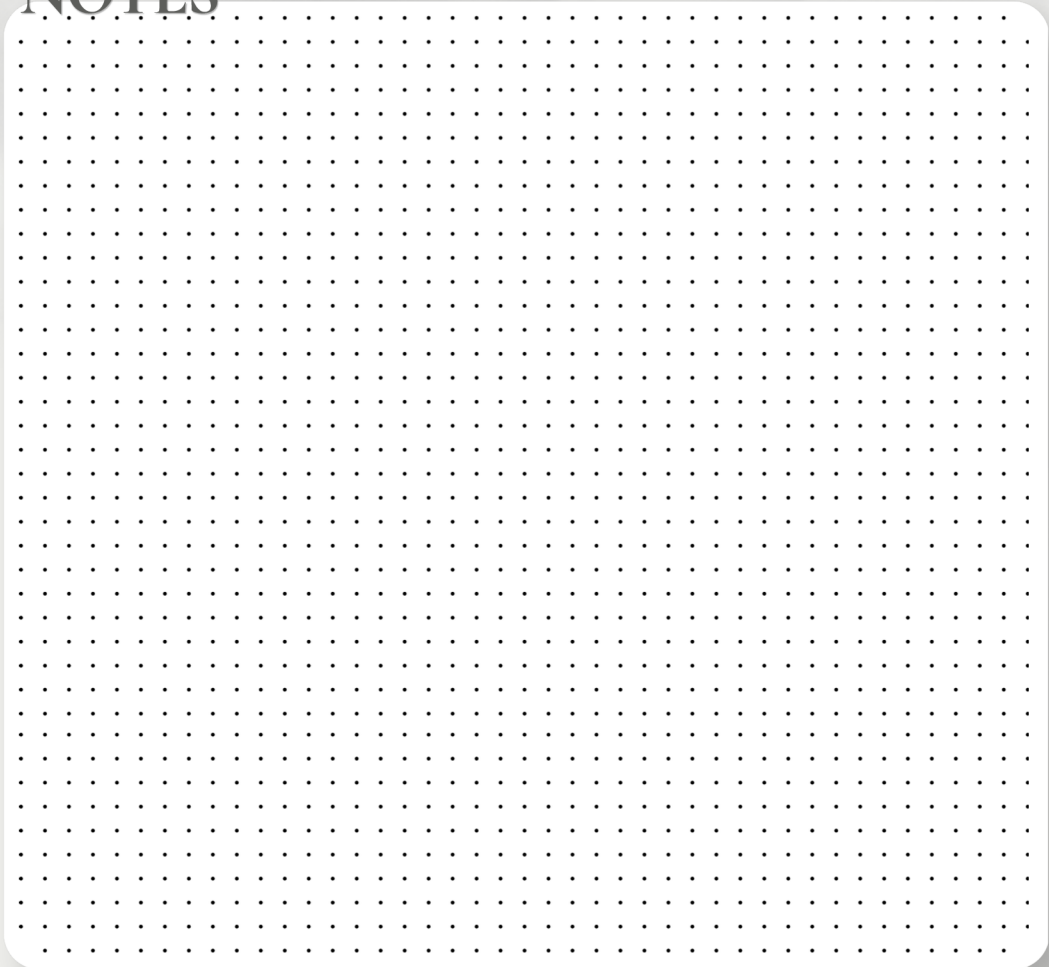
Day 2: Isaiah 25:8-9

Day 3: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-14

Day 4: 2 Timothy 1:10

Day 5: 1 Corinthians 15:51-57

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OVERVIEW:

The raising of Lazarus is one of the most dramatic signs in John and a defining moment in Jesus' ministry. Jesus delays, grief deepens, and hope appears lost, but Jesus steps into the sorrow and declares that He is the resurrection and the life. He does not only comfort grieving people; He confronts death itself. This passage reveals both the compassion and authority of Jesus. He weeps with those who mourn, and then He calls life out of the grave. John shows us here that Jesus is stronger than death and worthy of complete trust, even when His timing is hard to understand.



DEVO *by Katie Wharton*

In John 11, we witness a trying time in Mary and Martha's lives as they walk through the death of their brother and sit waiting on their only hope, Jesus. They knew Jesus could heal him, but still He delayed, and their brother Lazarus died. Waiting on Jesus in this capacity can feel confusing, disappointing, and outright frustrating. But in all of their waiting, we see that Jesus had a plan the whole time.

As we read through the text, Jesus reveals to us His "why." In John 11:4, 40, and 41, it is revealed that the purpose of Jesus' delay wasn't careless or neglectful. It was so that others may believe, that God may be glorified, and so that they may know that God sent Jesus.

When Jesus arrived, He came as a comforter and a conqueror, declaring that He is "the resurrection and the life." Through the miracle of raising Lazarus, we see the power that Jesus holds. While His ways are not our ways, and waiting can be excruciating, Jesus proves Himself worthy of being trusted and worthy to be glorified.



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THE JOURNEY CONTINUES...

Over the past 15 weeks, you've walked through some of the most powerful moments in the Gospel of John. You've seen Jesus reveal His glory through signs and miracles. You've heard Him declare, "I am" and reveal His identity as the Bread of Life, the Light of the World, the Good Shepherd, the Resurrection and the Life, and more.

But John's goal was never simply to help us learn about Jesus.

His goal was to help us believe.

Near the end of his Gospel, John tells us exactly why he wrote:

"THESE ARE WRITTEN SO THAT YOU MAY BELIEVE THAT JESUS IS THE MESSIAH, THE SON OF GOD, AND THAT BY BELIEVING YOU MAY HAVE LIFE IN HIS NAME." — JOHN 20:31

The invitation of this series doesn't end here.

Keep seeking Jesus in His Word.

Keep trusting Him when life is uncertain.

Keep following Him when obedience is costly.

Keep bringing your questions, fears, failures, and hopes to Him.

The same Jesus who met people in John still meets people today.

May you continue to know Him more deeply, trust Him more fully, and experience the life that only He can give.

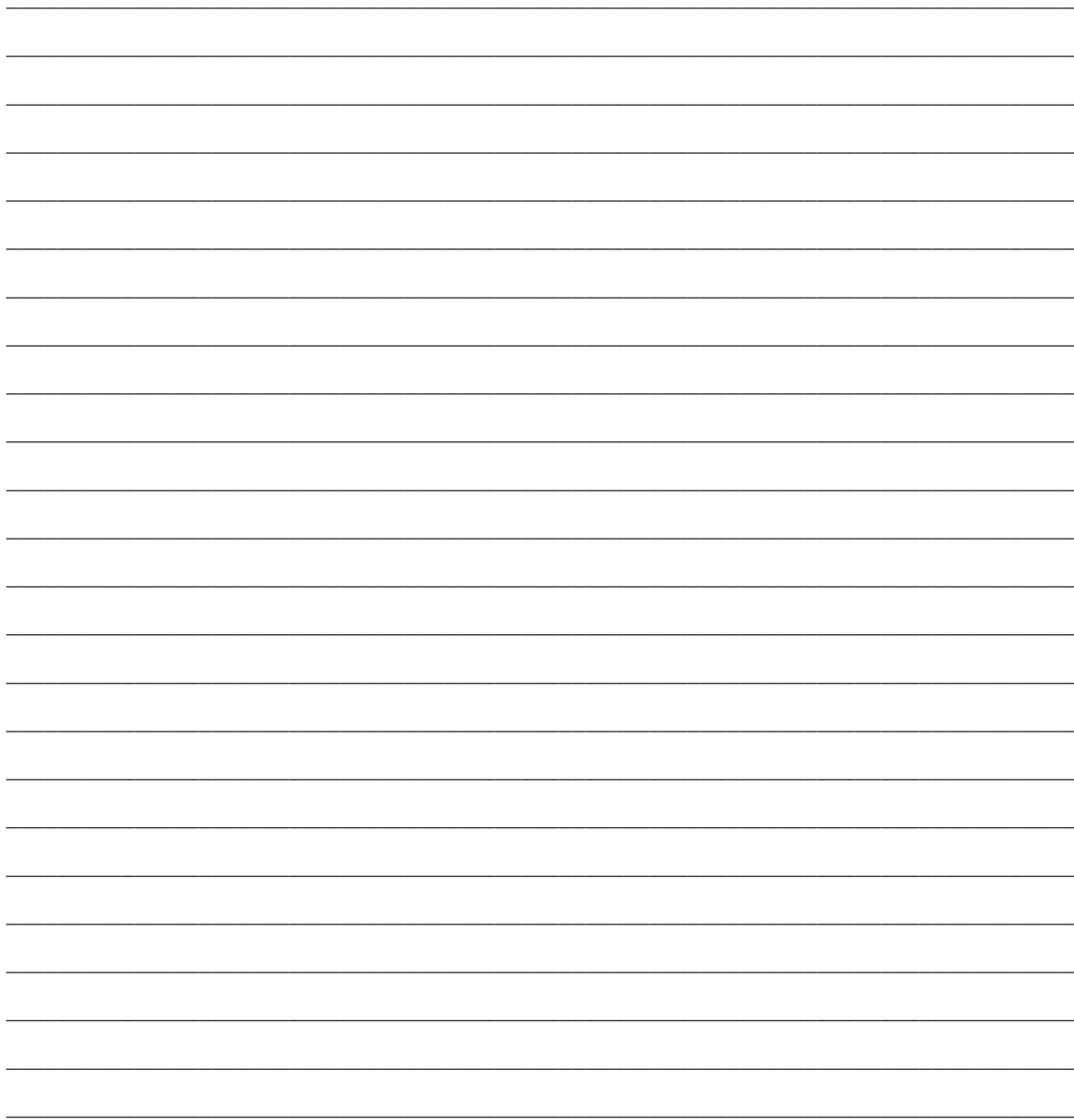
The journey continues.

LOOKING BACK

Take a few moments to reflect on what God has shown you throughout this journey in the Gospel of John.

REFLECTION PROMPTS

- Which week or passage impacted you the most? Why?
- Which miracle or sign of Jesus stood out to you?
- Which "I Am" statement encouraged or challenged you?
- What have you learned about who Jesus is?
- What have you learned about yourself?
- Where have you seen God at work during this series?
- What truth do you want to remember moving forward?
- Is there an area of your life where God is calling you to greater trust or obedience?
- What is one step of faith you want to take next?
- How has your relationship with Jesus grown during this journey?





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