



The
LIMITLESS
Family
Devotion

CONSECRAT:ON

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Consecration means being fully devoted to God and living a life that sets us apart. Living ALL of our lives in full surrender to God, seeking Him first and accepting HIS will for us each day.

“But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things will be added to you.”

Matthew 6:33

This family devotional has been divided into 4 themes and as a family you should take as long as you wish to study one theme before proceeding to the next.

Each theme contains a thought, a Bible verse, family activity ideas and a declaration of prayer. If you wish to make it last for 10 days per theme you could use the 10 prayer points listed.



Theme 1



CONSECRATED Loved and Forgiven

by God



From the very beginning of the Bible, the story we read and have come to know is one of love.

God created the whole earth, saw that it was good and blessed it. He then breathed His breath into the nostrils of His image bearer - man - and gave him life. God desired man and woman to be in relationship with Him, walking with Him through His garden and creation. When sin entered the world, this separated God from His relationship with His image bearers and this was not what He wanted. To demonstrate His **LOVE** for us and to repair this broken relationship, even though we didn't deserve it, He gave us the greatest gift of all, His son!

“For God SO loved the world He gave us His one and only Son. Whoever believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life” **John 3:16**

We are loved, you are loved, so much that God wanted to give us another gift. Not just breath in our lungs but to live a life where our sins are forgiven and we have a relationship with God our Father, His Son Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, and to have an eternal life with Him in Heaven. Even though we didn't deserve it, God offered His son as the ultimate sacrifice so we could be made right with Him again. If God does not do anything else for us, this alone shows us just how much He loves us.

Encounter Time

Talk-

Share all the ways you have seen and continue to see God showing His love to the world.

Listen-

To all the ways God has shown you/your family His love, His gifts, His blessings and His leading.

Do-

Create a picture/collage/poem/song about God's love and the ways He shows you His love. Create a 'love jar' and every time He shows you His love, write it down and put it in the jar.



Prayer Declaration

- Day 1** - Thank You Father God, for loving us first, for Your love yesterday, today and forever. Nothing we can do will separate us from Your love.
- Day 2** - Thank You that You loved us so much that You gave us Your most precious possession - Your Son, Jesus.
- Day 3** - Thank You Jesus, for being willing to die on a cross for us. Thank You for giving Your life for us.
- Day 4** - Thank You for Your grace and favour, and for giving us what we don't deserve.
- Day 5** - Thank You for Your mercy - for withholding from us what we at times deserve.
- Day 6** - Thank You that when we trust in You, we are forgiven of ALL our sins.
- Day 7** - Thank You for Your love, and for the gift of Your presence and the Holy Spirit every day.
- Day 8** - Thank You for enabling us to live in freedom every day.
- Day 9** - Thank You for bringing us into Your family as sons and daughters.
- Day 10** - Thank You for making us Your heirs and giving us the gift of Yourself as our inheritance.

[Put a tick in the circle when you have prayed the daily declaration.]

Theme 2



CONSECRATED Called and Purified

by God through
His Son, Jesus



In Matthew 22:1-14, Jesus tells the parable of a king whose son is getting married.

Many wedding invitations were sent out but on the day of the wedding, no one showed up. The king's servants were instructed to find out where the guests were, but they were more concerned about doing their own thing. The king was furious, so he sent his servants out again to invite anyone they saw on the streets to come. Then, the wedding was full of guests.

Jesus tells us that “many are called but few are chosen.”

Matthew 22:14

The word ‘called’ in this verse of the Bible, means to be invited, and the word ‘chosen’ means anyone who decides to accept the invitation. You see, many of us are invited to be in relationship with God through His Son Jesus and to have eternal life with Him, but only a few of us accept this gift and are willing to live our lives for God.

YOU are called by God. He calls you by name. Your invitation is a personal one from the Creator of the world and Your Heavenly Father. Each one of us can choose to accept the invitation and respond to God's invitation. This invitation does not come to you through or because of another family member or friend - it is for **YOU!** When God invites us to become part of His family, He calls us by name. He knows you. He knows your name. He has called **YOU.**

Are you going to choose to accept the invitation and be chosen as a child of God?

Encounter Time

Talk-

What does this invitation mean to you? What does it mean for you? Have you chosen to accept the invitation or are you going to consider it? Why?

Listen-

How will accepting this invitation affect your daily life and the decisions you make? How will it affect those around you?

Do-

Look up what your name means. Ask God to show you who He made you to be and the plans He has for you. Look through some of these verses in the Bible to see what God wants to say to you through these. Write this down in a journal/create a poster and put it somewhere for you to read aloud daily to yourself.

John 1:12

John 15:15

Romans 8:1

Romans 15:7

1 Corinthians 1:30

2 Corinthians 5:17

Galatians 5:1

Ephesians 2:10

How many more can you **find?**

Prayer Declaration


- Day 1 - Thank You God that I am invited to be part of Your family.
- Day 2 - Thank You God that You have chosen me and I have chosen You. Help me to live my life for You.
- Day 3 - Thank You for redeeming me.
- Day 4 - Thank You for justifying me, making me righteous.
- Day 5 - Thank You for sanctifying me and making me holy.
- Day 6 - Thank You for being my Friend.
- Day 7 - Thank You for being pleased with me.
- Day 8 - Thank You for calling me by name, for knowing me.
- Day 9 - Thank You for always being with me.
- Day 10 - Thank You for an eternal life spent with You.



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Theme 3

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CONSECRATED Empowered, Equipped and Led

by the Holy Spirit

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The story of Saul's conversion to faith in Jesus (Acts 9:1-31) is incredible, demonstrating the miraculous power of the Holy Spirit over and in his life.

Saul, who persecuted Christians had an encounter with the Holy Spirit. He heard the voice of the Lord call his name and give him instructions, and yet he was made blind in that moment. Saul listened to the voice of God but had to rely on the Spirit and the leading of the men with him to take him to where God had directed him to go. God changed Saul's name to Paul and **"chose him"** (Acts 9:15) to be His mouthpiece to share the good news of Jesus.

It is easy to look at our lives and wonder how we are going to live **"righteous and effective"** lives for God. We may think we are too young, we don't know enough about God or the Bible to be used by Him, but we can see in this passage that God used a man who hated Him. Through His Holy Spirit, He called his name and as He did He revealed the power of the Holy Spirit to Paul, equipping him with all he needed and leading him to the people he needed to meet, and to the places he needed to be for God's ordained plan to come into being.

"Then Ananias went to the house and entered it. Placing his hands on Saul, he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord—Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here—has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit." Acts 9:17-18

**God has a plan for YOU! He will empower YOU with the Holy Spirit.
He will speak to YOU and lead YOU to all the people and places He has planned for YOU!**

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Encounter Time

Talk-

Read through Acts 9 and talk about all the things that stand out to you and speak to you, as well as those you may need to explore a little more.

Listen-

How has God demonstrated the power of His Holy Spirit? How will He equip you, and how has He led you to things recently? Write these down or create an art piece that will help to remind you of all He has done for you, in you and through you.

Do-

For fun! Try the Mentos and Diet Coke experiment <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZwyMcV9emmc>. This demonstrates what can take place in us when we have the power of the Holy Spirit in us! **WITH GOD, ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE!**

Prayer Declaration

- Day 1 - Thank You God for calling my name and speaking to me.
- Day 2 - Help me to understand more clearly how I may hear Your voice.
- Day 3 - Help me Lord to respond to Your voice when You speak to me.
- Day 4 - When others don't see You or hear You, help me to stay focused on You, Your words and instructions.
- Day 5 - Give me dreams and visions of You.
- Day 6 - Lord, fill me each day with the power of the Holy Spirit.
- Day 7 - Lord, equip me, train me and give me all I need to do what You want me to do.
- Day 8 - Help me to equip others to be who they are called to be and do what You ask them to do.
- Day 9 - Lord lead me to all the people and places You want me to go.
- Day 10 - Give me the courage and faith that I need.



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Theme 4



CONSECRATED Our Living Hope and the Kingdom

of God

We have a living hope that co-exists with everything we experience in our lives, including the joys, the beauty and all that is good.

This living hope shines brightly amongst all the evil, sickness, sadness, sin and death that surrounds us. This living hope is Jesus and in Him and through Him we can be firmly anchored in the reality of the Kingdom of God. The beauty of God's living hope is that it does not depend on us, nor on anything we do or will do, or on anything we have done. It's all about God, who He is and what His Son Jesus has already done for us. We don't have to depend on anybody else for this living hope and nobody can take away our eternal hope.

In every day, we may experience people or situations that try to “steal” our hope - like when difficult things come our way, or perhaps someone is unkind to us or someone we love dearly dies or illness affects us or our family or friends. But when we meet with God and allow His hope to come into our lives, we can see things differently, not only in this world but in the Kingdom of God. **God wants us to trust in Him and put our hope in Him!**

“For the believer, there is hope beyond the grave, because Jesus Christ has opened the door to Heaven for us by His death and resurrection.”

-Billy Graham

“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead” 1 Peter 1:3



Encounter Time

Talk-

Where can you see God's hope at work in your daily life? What are some of the areas of your life where you struggle to see God's love and living hope?

Listen-

What can you do to help you have the faith to trust God more and place your hope in Him?

Do-

God uses all people to bring His living hope and His kingdom to earth. He wants to use you too. Identify a family member, friend or neighbour who needs God's hope. Pray for them, share God's good news with them and help them in a practical way this week.



Prayer Declaration

- Day 1 - Ask God to help you understand what hope is.
- Day 2 - Declare the power of God's word over your life and how He has the last word.
- Day 3 - Thank You God, that You care about all that I am going through today.
- Day 4 - Help me today to carry hope to others around me.
- Day 5 - Father God, help me to remain faithful and obedient.
- Day 6 - Please God, reveal more of the hope that Jesus brings to me today.
- Day 7 - May an expectation of hope to see more of God's kingdom grow in my heart today.
- Day 8 - May Your Kingdom become a reality in my life.
- Day 9 - Lord, may Your will be done in the places I represent you.
- Day 10 - Lord, I surrender to Your will.



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