

5-Day Devotional: When God Shows Up

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Day 1: Faith in the Midst of Crisis

Reading: Mark 5:21-24

Devotional: When crisis arrives at your address, faith knows where to go. Jairus, a ruler of the synagogue, faced every parent's nightmare—his daughter dying. Yet in his desperation, he didn't retreat or hope the problem would resolve itself. He ran to Jesus. True faith isn't measured by the absence of trouble but by knowing who to turn to when trouble comes. Your crisis may be beyond your ability, beyond your resources, but it is never beyond Jesus. Today, whatever you're facing, remember that with God nothing is impossible. He can heal, save, redeem, and resurrect. Don't let pride, position, or fear keep you from falling at His feet. Your breakthrough begins when you humble yourself before the One who can do something about your situation.

Day 2: The Power of Humble Desperation

Reading: Hebrews 4:14-16

Devotional: Jairus fell at Jesus' feet publicly, risking his reputation, position, and future. When you're truly desperate, you stop caring what people think. This is the posture God honors—humble, bold confidence that approaches His throne without hesitation. You don't come in your own righteousness, which is as filthy rags, but clothed in the righteousness of Christ. Come boldly, not arrogantly, knowing you have an audience with the King who understands your weaknesses and has been tempted in every way you have. The throne of grace is accessible right now. Don't trust in the affirmation of this world or the resources of man. Your trust is in the King of Kings. Let your desperation drive you to His feet, where mercy and grace await.

Day 3: Surviving the Wait

Reading: Habakkuk 2:1-3

Devotional: Delay is one of faith's greatest tests. Jairus watched Jesus stop for another person's need while his daughter lay dying. Waiting magnifies our fears and breeds despair. We want immediate answers, but God doesn't work on our schedule. He has no watch, no calendar, no planner matching ours. In the silence and the in-between, it feels personal, like you've been forgotten. But delay is not denial. While you wait, God is deepening your roots, killing your entitlement, and building unshakeable faith. Set your eyes on Him. Remember His goodness, faithfulness, and love. He hasn't abandoned you or forgotten you. Trust the Potter—He knows exactly what He's doing. Your season of suffering will end, and a new beginning awaits.

Day 4: Rejoice in Others' Breakthroughs

Reading: Mark 5:25-34

Devotional: While Jairus waited, he witnessed another woman receive her miracle—twelve years of suffering ended instantly. Instead of resentment, this should have strengthened his faith: if God did it for her, He'll do it for me. Too often we become broken watching others get blessed while we're still battling. Change your language and thoughts. Don't let someone else's blessing break you; let it build your faith. God is no respecter of persons—He doesn't bless us all on the same schedule. When you're on the mountain, don't look down on those in the valley. When you're in the valley, celebrate those on the mountain. Their miracle is proof that your God is still working, still healing, still delivering. If He did it then, He can do it now.

Day 5: God Shows Up in Time

Reading: Psalm 46:1-11

Devotional: "He never promised that the cross would not get heavy and the hill would not be hard to climb." But He did promise to show up. He's an ever-present help in trouble—not a sometimes help, not an occasional help, but ever-present. The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous run into it and are safe. Though the ship is battered, the anchor holds. No matter what crisis, drama, or trauma comes your way, God is still in control. He shows up in the midnight hour, in the valley, in the fiery furnace. Your outcome is in His hands. Stop asking why and start trusting that somewhere in your story, God is bringing glory to His name. Get up out of that grave of despair, depression, and doubt. Shake off what's bitten you. Your God is alive and well, seated on the throne, fighting for you.