

# FIRST things FIRST...

## Daily Devotions

### Devotional Guide ~ Jan. 26-Feb. 1, 2026

Devotions are prepared for you to use in your Quiet Time with the Lord and are designed to prepare you for the sermon next Sunday.

#### Monday: January 26

#### What God Really Wants

##### **Scripture: 1 Samuel 15:22 and Micah 6:1-8**

It's easy to think God is happiest when we give more, do more, or stay busy with church activities. But the Bible reminds us that listening to God and following Him matters more than any religious act. God is not looking for showy faith, but for hearts that are willing to trust and obey. This is comforting. God does not ask us to be impressive. He only wants us to be faithful. Every day gives us chances to listen for God's voice and live out what He asks of us.

**Prayer:** God, help me listen to You and follow Your way.

#### Tuesday: Jan. 27 Let Justice Be Part of Your Life

##### **Scripture: Amos 5:21-24 and Micah 6:1-8**

God speaks strongly through Amos about worship that doesn't change how people live. Singing songs and going to church means little if we ignore fairness, kindness, and honesty in everyday life. Justice isn't just something for courts or governments. Justice is about how we treat people too. When our faith shapes our choices and actions, God's goodness flows through us into the world around us.

**Prayer:** God, help my faith show up in the way I treat others.

#### Wednesday: January 28 Choosing Mercy

##### **Scripture: Luke 10:33-37 and Micah 6:1-8**

The Good Samaritan reminds us that mercy often costs something. It takes time, energy, and a willingness to help even when it's inconvenient. Mercy isn't just feeling sorry for someone. It means stepping in to help when we can. God shows us mercy every day. When we choose to show mercy to others, we are the light that shows the love God has already shown us.

**Prayer:** Loving God, help me notice when someone needs kindness and give me the courage to help. Amen.

#### Thursday: January 29 Walking Humbly Like Jesus

##### **Scripture: Philippians 2:5-8 and Micah 6:1-8**

Jesus showed us what humility looked like. He didn't use power to get ahead or demand attention. Instead, He served others and put their needs first. Walking humbly with God means letting go of our need to be right, noticed, or in control. When we choose humility, we make room for God to work in our lives and in the lives of others.

**Prayer:** Jesus, teach me to live with humility and to put others before myself. Amen.

#### Friday: January 30

#### Living What You Believe

##### **Scripture: James 1:22-27 and Micah 6:1-8**

Faith isn't just something we talk about; it is something we live. James reminds us that hearing God's Word is only the beginning. Faith becomes real when it shows up in how we act, especially in how we care for people who are hurting or forgotten. God doesn't expect us to be perfect. God invites us to keep growing and letting our faith shape our lives.

**Prayer:** God, help me live out my faith in simple, loving ways each day. Amen.

#### Saturday: January 31 Walking Faithfully with God

##### **Scripture: Deuteronomy 10:12-13 and Micah 6:1-8**

God's call is simple: love Him, respect Him, and walk in His ways. These are not heavy rules meant to weigh us down. They are an invitation to live a life shaped by love, trust, and faithfulness. When we live with justice, mercy, and humility, our lives reflect God's love and faithfulness to the world.

**Prayer:** Faithful God, guide my steps and help me walk closely with You every day. Amen.

#### Sunday, February 1, 2026

##### **Title: What is Good**

##### **Scripture: Micah 6:1-8**

#### Worship at 10:00am

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