

5 Day Devotional for the week of May 10, 2026

This week's five day devotional will be taking a deeper dive into the message from this weekend. Through exploring the rich experiences and teachings shared, we will uncover the power and presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives. Join us as we seek to grow in understanding and develop a closer relationship with the Holy Spirit, enriching our faith journey.

Day 1

John 16:13 But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on His own; He will speak only what He hears, and He will tell you what is yet to come.

This scripture introduces us to the concept of the Holy Spirit as the Spirit of Truth. Jesus promised that the Holy Spirit would guide us into all truth, meaning that through the Holy Spirit, we can understand God's will and direction for our lives. Much like Bernard's story of obedience, we learn that even when the Holy Spirit's guidance conflicts with our human desires, it remains essential to align ourselves with divine truth.

Today, reflect on the ways the Holy Spirit is guiding you in your life. Are there areas where you feel prompted to listen more closely? Take some time to dwell on the comforting thought that our journey with the Holy Spirit will always align us with truth.

- Have you ever experienced the guidance of the Holy Spirit in your life? How did it manifest?
- Are there truths you might be resisting because they conflict with personal desires?
- How can you create space in your daily routine to listen more actively to the Holy Spirit?
- Pray for openness to the Holy Spirit's guidance.
- Ask for the courage to follow through even when guidance is difficult or contrary to personal desires.

Day 2

Acts 8:29 The Spirit told Philip, "Go to that chariot and stay near it."

This passage illustrates the power of the Holy Spirit in speaking directly to believers. Philip was directed by the Holy Spirit to go to the chariot, initiating a significant moment of

evangelism. The ability to hear and respond to the Holy Spirit is a precious gift that can lead us to profound encounters and opportunities to share God's love.

Just as Philip listened and acted upon the Holy Spirit's word, we, too, are encouraged to cultivate a heart that is attuned to the Spirit's leading. Reflect on how you can be more receptive to the Holy Spirit, recognizing that this dialogue can greatly enhance our capacity to serve and witness to others.

- Have you ever been in a situation where you felt the Holy Spirit prompted you to speak or act?
- What steps can you take to ensure you are open and receptive to the Holy Spirit's guidance?
- How can you use these moments to share your faith and support others around you?

- Pray for sensitivity to the promptings of the Holy Spirit.
- Ask for the boldness to follow wherever the Spirit leads, trusting in God's purpose.

Day 3

Acts 13:2 While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them."

This scripture recounts a moment when the Holy Spirit spoke during a time of worship and fasting, selecting Barnabas and Saul for a significant mission. It serves as a reminder of the importance of communal worship and the role it plays in enabling us to hear the Holy Spirit's call.

Take a moment to consider the power of community in your faith journey. In the same way the early church sought the Holy Spirit through worship and prayer, we are invited to come together with other believers, seeking divine wisdom and direction. This day, reflect on how you can engage more deeply with your faith community to encourage collective listening to the Holy Spirit.

- How has being part of a faith community influenced your spiritual growth?
- What role does worship play in your ability to hear the Holy Spirit?
- How might you invite more communal discernment into your journey with God?

- Pray for unity and discernment in your faith community.
- Ask for clarity in hearing and responding to the call of the Holy Spirit together.

Day 4

John 14:26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

This verse reminds us that the Holy Spirit is our Helper, tasked with teaching us all things and bringing to remembrance everything Jesus has taught. It emphasizes the role of the Holy Spirit in not only guiding us into truth but also helping us apply and live out that truth in our daily lives.

Consider how the Holy Spirit serves as a teacher in your life. Reflect on moments when the Spirit has helped you remember and live out the teachings of Jesus. Let this day be a reminder to continually invite the Holy Spirit into your learning process, allowing the Spirit to illuminate scripture and guide you in living a Christ-centered life.

- In what ways has the Holy Spirit been a teacher in your life?
 - Are there specific teachings of Jesus you find the Holy Spirit regularly bringing to mind?
 - How can you actively incorporate these lessons into your daily actions?
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- Pray for a deeper understanding of scripture through the Holy Spirit.
 - Ask for the ability to faithfully live out the teachings of Jesus.

Day 5

Romans 8:26 In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans.

This scripture highlights how the Holy Spirit aids us in our weaknesses. It assures us that even when we do not know what to pray for, the Spirit intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. This beautiful promise offers comfort and hope that we are never alone in our struggles and that the Spirit understands beyond our comprehension.

Reflect on the struggles or areas of weakness in your life where you have felt the Holy Spirit's support. No matter how challenging life may become, we have the assurance that the Spirit is always present, advocating on our behalf and equipping us to overcome.

- In difficult times, how have you experienced the Holy Spirit's support and intercession?
 - What areas of weakness in your life do you wish to bring to the Holy Spirit in prayer?
 - How can this assurance of the Spirit's presence transform your approach to challenges?
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- Pray for awareness of the Holy Spirit's intercession in your life.
 - Ask for trust in the Holy Spirit's presence and advocacy during times of weakness.