



THE FUTURE YOU WANT

40 DAY
CHALLENGE

DAILY INSPIRATION FOCUSED ON YOUR FUTURE





WELCOME TO THE FUTURE YOU WANT

Every one of us has asked questions about our future.

Will my life ever change?

Am I where God wants me to be?

Is there more for me than what I'm experiencing right now?

Maybe you've accomplished goals you once dreamed about, yet you still know there's something missing. Maybe life hasn't gone the way you expected. Maybe you've made mistakes you wish you could undo. Or maybe you've simply begun to wonder if this is all there is.

Here's the good news:

God has a future for your life.

Not because you've earned it. Not because you've done everything right. But because He is a good Father who has always had a purpose for you.

Over the next forty days, we're going to discover that God's future isn't something you accidentally stumble into. It's something you learn to see, prepare for, and step into by faith.

We'll walk through three simple ideas:

Dream the Future.

See the future God wants you to see.

Develop the Person.

Become the person who can live the future you're believing for.

Do What Matters.

Take your next step and use your life to make a difference.

We'll also follow one great biblical story: God's people moving from exile in Babylon back toward the future He had promised them. Isaiah saw it. Jeremiah promised it. Daniel prayed it. Ezra and Nehemiah lived it. Psalm 126 celebrated it.

Their story reminds us that God can speak hope while our circumstances look completely different from the future He has promised.

My prayer is that when these forty days are over, you won't simply have finished another devotional.

You'll see your future differently, become more intentional about who you are becoming, and take the steps that matter.

Let's begin.

WEEK ONE

THE FUTURE YOU WANT

BIG THOUGHT

God has a future for
your life, and you are
not stuck.

GOD HAS A FUTURE FOR YOU

“For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.”

Jeremiah 29:11

Jeremiah spoke these words to people living in exile in Babylon. They were far from home. Their circumstances looked nothing like the future they had expected.

Yet God told them: I still have a future for you.

That is what makes Jeremiah 29:11 so powerful. It was not spoken when everything was going right. It was spoken when God's people could have easily concluded that their story was over.

Their present did not cancel God's promise.

And your present does not have to define your future.

Long before Babylon became their problem, God had already spoken through Isaiah about bringing His people home. God saw a future they could not yet see.

Do not confuse your present location with your permanent destination.

God has not forgotten you.

You are not stuck.

REFLECTION: What area of your life have you started believing will never change? What would it mean to believe that God still has a future for you?

YOUR PAST IS NOT YOUR FUTURE

“Forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead...” **Philippians 3:13**

One of the enemy's favorite lies is this:

“Because it happened before, it will always happen again.”

Maybe you've failed before. Maybe you've been hurt before. Maybe you've started and quit more times than you can count. None of those things have the power to determine your future unless you give them permission.

The Apostle Paul had a past he couldn't erase. He persecuted Christians. He carried regret. Yet God didn't ask Paul to live looking backward. He called him forward.

God does the same for you.

Your past may explain where you are. It doesn't have the authority to decide where you're going.

When God looks at your life, He doesn't only see what you've been. He sees what you're becoming.

REFLECTION: Are you allowing something from your past to keep you from believing for your future?

YOU WERE MADE FOR MORE

“Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think...” **Ephesians 3:20**

Most people settle long before God is finished. Not because God stopped working. Because they stopped believing. Some people stop dreaming after disappointment. Others stop dreaming after success. Either way, they settle into survival instead of purpose.

God never intended you to simply get through life. He created you to know Him.

To grow.

To love people.

To use your gifts.

To make a difference.

There is more in you than you've experienced.

More faith.

More influence.

More joy.

More purpose.

Don't mistake where you've been for all God intends to do.

REFLECTION: Where have you settled for less than what you believe God wants for your life?

DON'T CALL IT PERMANENT

"Weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning."

Psalm 30:5

Some seasons feel like they'll never end.

Waiting.

Grieving.

Searching.

Wondering.

But seasons are just that—seasons.

Winter isn't forever. Neither is the valley. Neither is the wilderness.

Throughout Scripture, God repeatedly brought His people into a better future, often after long seasons that seemed hopeless.

Don't build your identity around a temporary season.

This chapter isn't the whole story.

God is still writing.

REFLECTION: What season are you in today? What would change if you truly believed it wasn't permanent?

YOUR NEXT STEP MATTERS

“The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord...” Psalm 37:23

Most people spend so much time worrying about the next ten years that they never take the next step.

But God usually doesn't reveal your entire future all at once. He gives enough light for today.

One conversation.

One act of obedience.

One decision.

One prayer.

One invitation.

One step.

Big futures are built one faithful step at a time.

You don't have to know everything.

You simply need to be willing to obey what God is showing you today.

Your future isn't built in giant leaps.

It's built in daily faithfulness.

REFLECTION: What is one next step you know God has been asking you to take?

DAY 6

GROW TOGETHER

God never intended for you to pursue your future alone. This week, gather with your Small Group. Share what God has been showing you over the last five days. Encourage one another, pray together, and help each other take the next step toward the future God has prepared.

“As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another.” **Proverbs 27:17**

DAY 7

XPERIENCE GOD TOGETHER

One encounter with God can change the direction of your life.

Make worship a priority this weekend. Come expecting God to speak to you. Bring someone with you who needs hope. You never know how one invitation or one message could become the turning point in someone's future.

“I was glad when they said to me, ‘Let us go into the house of the Lord.’”

Psalms 122:1

WEEK TWO

DREAM

THE FUTURE

BIG THOUGHT

You cannot build the
future God has for
you until you begin
to see it.

DREAM AGAIN

“Do not remember the former things, nor consider the things of old.
Behold, I will do a new thing...” **Isaiah 43:18-19**

God spoke to His people about a future restoration before they could see it. He reminded them of the Exodus—how He made a way through the sea—and then told them not to limit their expectations to what He had done before. He was going to do a new thing.

A way in the wilderness.

Rivers in the desert.

A road home.

Their circumstances said exile. God’s Word said future.

Sometimes disappointment can make us stop looking forward. We protect ourselves by expecting less. But faith refuses to let yesterday become the boundary of tomorrow.

Dreaming the future does not mean inventing a fantasy or ignoring reality. It means allowing God’s Word, wisdom, purpose, and the desires He has placed in your heart to expand what you believe is possible. Maybe your dream needs to mature. Maybe it needs to change. But don’t stop believing that God can do something new.

Today, ask Him to help you see beyond what has been.

REFLECTION: Where have you allowed the past to shrink what you believe is possible for your future?

SEE WHAT GOD SEES

“Lift up now thine eyes...” **Genesis 13:14**

Before God gave Abraham the land, He told him to look at it.

Why?

Because vision always comes before possession.

God often changes what we see before He changes what we experience.

Most people spend their lives looking at what they don't have. God invites us to begin seeing what He is doing.

See your marriage healed.

See your family restored.

See yourself walking in freedom.

See yourself making a difference.

Not because you're pretending.

Because faith gives you permission to see tomorrow before everyone else does.

Your imagination can become one of the greatest tools God uses to build your future.

REFLECTION: If fear wasn't talking, what future would faith begin to picture?

GOD THINKS BIGGER THAN YOU DO

“Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think...” **Ephesians 3:20**

We often pray small prayers because we have small expectations.

God doesn't.

Throughout Scripture He consistently exceeded what people expected.

Sarah expected disappointment. God gave her Isaac.

David expected to deliver lunch. God gave him a giant.

The disciples expected enough food for one meal. Jesus fed thousands.

God is not limited by what you currently see.

The biggest obstacle to your future is rarely God's ability. It's your expectation.

Maybe it's time to stop asking, *“Can God?”*
and start asking, *“What if He actually wants to?”*

REFLECTION: Where have your expectations become smaller than your God?

WRITE IT DOWN

“Write the vision and make it plain...” **Habakkuk 2:2**

Dreams become clearer when they're written. There's something powerful about putting your hopes into words.

It forces you to think.

To pray.

To clarify.

To believe.

Don't worry today about how it will happen. Just begin writing what you believe God is putting in your heart.

What kind of person do you want to become?

What kind of marriage?

What kind of family?

What kind of faith?

What kind of impact?

Your future becomes much easier to pursue once you've stopped leaving it undefined.

REFLECTION: What would you write today if you believed God wanted to partner with you in building that future?

DON'T LET YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES DECIDE YOUR FUTURE

"I, Daniel, understood by the books the number of the years specified by the word of the Lord through Jeremiah..." **Daniel 9:2**

Daniel was living in Babylon when he read Jeremiah's prophecy about seventy years of exile.

He discovered something important: Babylon had an expiration date.

Daniel did not determine Israel's future by looking around Babylon. He allowed God's Word to tell him what was ahead.

Your circumstances are real.

They simply do not know everything God knows.
That is why faith must be rooted in what God has said rather than only in what we can see.

Daniel responded to the promise by seeking God in prayer.

He did not become passive because God had promised a future.
The promise gave direction to his faith and prayer.

Do not make permanent conclusions from temporary circumstances.

Ask God what His Word says, what wisdom says, and what faithful action looks like now.

REFLECTION: What circumstance has been speaking louder than what you know God has said?

DAY 13

GROW TOGETHER

Dreams become stronger when they're shared with people who encourage your faith.

Meet with your Small Group this week.

Listen.

Pray.

Laugh.

Encourage one another.

Remember, God often uses people to confirm what He's already been speaking to your heart.

"Therefore encourage one another and build each other up..."

1 Thessalonians 5:11

DAY 14

XPERIENCE GOD TOGETHER

The future God has for you isn't discovered only in private. Many of life's greatest moments happen when God's people gather together.

Come expecting God to speak. Come ready to worship. Come believing that one moment in God's presence can change the direction of your future.

And don't come alone. Invite someone to experience it with you.

"Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together..." **Hebrews 10:25**

WEEK THREE

DEVELOP THE PERSON

BIG THOUGHT

God is just as
interested in who
you're becoming as
where you're going.

YOUR FUTURE REQUIRES A DIFFERENT YOU

“Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind...” **Romans 12:2**

It is easy to spend all our energy thinking about what we want to change around us. Scripture also calls us to pay attention to what we can change within us.

How do I need to think differently? What habits need to change? What wisdom do I need? What skills should I develop? Where do I need greater discipline, character, or spiritual maturity?

Jeremiah told the exiles to build houses, plant gardens, raise families, multiply, and seek the good of the city where they lived. They were not told to put life on hold while waiting for their future. They could grow intentionally right where they were.

The same is true for us.

Your future is not only about getting somewhere different. It is also about becoming someone different. You cannot take every version of yourself into every version of your future.

REFLECTION: What is one area in which you can intentionally grow starting now?

CHANGE YOUR THINKING

“As he thinks in his heart, so is he.” **Proverbs 23:7**

Every future begins with a thought.

Before a person changes their life, they change their thinking. Negative thinking produces negative living. Fearful thinking produces fearful decisions Faith-filled thinking produces courageous action.

The enemy knows this. That’s why one of his greatest weapons is deception.

If he can convince you that you’re stuck... you’ll stop trying.

If he can convince you you’re disqualified... you’ll stop believing.

If he can convince you you’ll never change... you’ll stop growing.

God changes lives by changing minds.

Every time you choose His truth over your feelings, you’re moving one step closer to the future He has for you.

REFLECTION: What lie about yourself have you believed for too long?

SMALL CHOICES CREATE BIG FUTURES

“Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much.”

Luke 16:10

We love dramatic moments.

God usually works through daily decisions. Nobody accidentally becomes a great husband. A godly wife. A generous person. A faithful leader. A strong believer.

Those futures are built one decision at a time.

One prayer.

One act of obedience.

One conversation.

One choice to forgive.

One choice to serve.

Never underestimate what God can do with consistent faithfulness.

Your future isn't built in the extraordinary. It's built in the ordinary.

REFLECTION: What small decision could change the direction of your future?

LET GOD WORK IN YOU

“Being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it...” **Philippians 1:6**

Sometimes we become frustrated because personal growth feels slower than we would like.

But transformation takes time.

Renewing your mind takes intention.

New habits take repetition.

Character is expressed through repeated choices.

Spiritual maturity develops as we keep walking with God and practicing His Word. Do not compare your progress to someone else's highlight reel. Pay attention to what God is showing you through His Word and Spirit. Receive His grace. Make the change you know to make. Practice what you are learning.

Keep going.

God is faithful, and you can cooperate with the good work He is doing in you.

REFLECTION: What area of growth do you need to approach with both patience and intentionality?

BECOME BEFORE YOU ARRIVE

“David behaved himself wisely...” 1 Samuel 18:14

David was anointed king long before he sat on the throne.

But the important lesson is not that every difficulty David faced was sent by God to develop him.

The lesson is that David kept choosing faithfulness, wisdom, courage, and dependence on God while his future was still ahead of him.

He practiced leadership before he had the title.

He honored God before he had the platform.

He learned to make wise choices before he wore the crown.

You do not have to wait until you arrive to begin becoming the person you want to be.

Practice the character now.

Build the habits now.

Learn the skills now.

Strengthen your relationship with God now.

Become before you arrive.

REFLECTION: What quality will your future require that you can begin practicing today?

DAY 20

GROW TOGETHER

Real growth rarely happens in isolation.

Meet with your Small Group this week.

Celebrate what God is doing.

Be honest about where you're growing.

Encourage one another to keep taking the next step.

God often uses other people to help us become who He created us to be.

"Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another." **Proverbs 27:17**

DAY 21

XPERIENCE GOD TOGETHER

Transformation happens in God's presence.

This weekend, come expecting more than another church service. Come expecting God to continue shaping your heart.

Invite someone who's searching for hope.

The future God has for them may begin with one invitation from you.

"Blessed are those who dwell in Your house..." **Psalms 84:4**

WEEK FOUR

DON'T WASTE THE JOURNEY

BIG THOUGHT

God does not promise a future without a journey. He promises to be with you on the journey.

WHEN YOU'RE AFRAID

"Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God..."

Isaiah 41:10

The road toward a different future can feel intimidating.

New territory creates questions.

What if I fail?

What if I do not have enough?

What if I do not know what to do next?

God's answer in Isaiah 41 is not that frightening circumstances are secretly good for us.

His answer is His presence.

I am with you.

I will strengthen you.

I will help you.

I will uphold you.

Fear does not have to make your decisions for you. You can move forward because you trust the One who goes with you.

REFLECTION: Where is fear trying to keep you from moving forward? Which promise in Isaiah 41:10 do you need to hold onto today?

WHEN YOU FEEL WEAK

“He gives power to the weak, and to those who have no might
He increases strength.” **Isaiah 40:29**

Some journeys are tiring.

There are moments when you know where you want to go but do not feel as if you have the strength to keep moving.

Isaiah does not tell weary people that God made them weary so they could grow.

He tells weary people where they can find strength.

God gives power to the weak.

Those who wait on the Lord renew their strength.

You do not have to manufacture endless energy.

You can pray.

You can rest when you need to rest.

You can receive help.

And you can trust God for strength for the next step.

REFLECTION: Where do you need God’s strength instead of trying to carry everything in your own strength?

WHEN YOU DON'T KNOW THE WAY

"I will bring the blind by a way they did not know; I will lead them in paths they have not known..." **Isaiah 42:16**

You do not have to know every turn before you begin moving.

God's people were being called toward a future many of them had never seen. Some had spent their entire lives in Babylon. Yet God promised to lead them by a way they did not know.

That is good news for anyone facing uncertainty.

You may not know the whole route.

You may not know exactly how the dream will happen.

You may not have every answer.

But God can give wisdom for the step in front of you.

His Word can guide you.

His Spirit can lead you.

Wise counsel can help you.

You do not need tomorrow's instructions to obey today's direction.

REFLECTION: What next step is clear even though the whole path is not?

WHEN YOU NEED A WAY

“Behold, I will do a new thing... I will even make a road in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.” **Isaiah 43:19**

A wilderness is a place where the obvious road is missing.

A desert is a place where the obvious provision is missing.

And God says He can provide both.

A road where you cannot see a road.

Water where you cannot see water.

This is not a promise that God creates wilderness seasons in order to teach us lessons. It is a promise about what God can do when we find ourselves in one.

He can make a way. He can provide what is needed. He can open a door you could not open. He can give an idea you did not have. He can connect you with help you did not know existed.

Do not worship the obstacle.

Look to the God who can make a way through it.

REFLECTION: Where do you need God to make a way or provide what you cannot currently see?

WHEN THE OBSTACLE LOOKS TOO BIG

“Every valley shall be exalted and every mountain and hill brought low...”

Isaiah 40:4

Sometimes the future looks blocked by something bigger than you.

A mountain-sized obstacle.

A crooked situation.

A path that seems impossible to navigate.

Isaiah pictures God preparing a highway for His people.

The point is not that God puts mountains in our way to build our character. The point is that mountains are not bigger than God.

Some obstacles He removes. Some He gives us wisdom to navigate. Some require patience, courage, help, and persistent faith.

But an obstacle does not get to declare that your future is over.

Keep looking to God.

Keep listening for direction.

Keep doing what matters.

REFLECTION: What obstacle have you allowed to become bigger in your thinking than the God who is helping you?

DAY 27

GROW TOGETHER

No one should have to walk toward their future alone.

This week, meet with your Small Group.

Share where you need courage, strength, direction, provision, or help.

Pray for one another.

Encourage one another.

Help one another identify the next faithful step.

“Carry each other’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.” **Galatians 6:2**

DAY 28

XPERIENCE GOD TOGETHER

God’s presence is the great promise for the journey.

Come ready to worship this weekend. Come expecting God to strengthen your faith and give you wisdom for your next step.

Bring someone who needs hope.

You never know what one encounter with God can mean for someone’s future.

“Fear not, for I am with you...” **Isaiah 41:10**

WEEK FIVE

DO WHAT MATTERS

BIG THOUGHT

Your future is built
by the decisions you
make today.

FAITH MOVES

“Who is among you of all His people? May his God be with him, and let him go up to Jerusalem...” **Ezra 1:3**

For years God had promised that His people would return. Then the moment came. Cyrus issued the decree.

The door opened. But the people still had to go.

An open door does not change your future until you walk through it. Some things require prayer. Some require patience. And eventually some require movement.

Make the call.

Submit the application.

Start the plan.

Have the conversation.

Serve.

Give.

Obey.

Take the next step.

Faith is not merely agreement with a promise. Faith responds to God.

REFLECTION: What open door or next step have you been hesitating to walk through?

STOP WAITING FOR PERFECT

“Whoever watches the wind will not plant; whoever looks at the clouds will not reap.” **Ecclesiastes 11:4**

Perfection is one of the enemy's favorite distractions.

“If everything lines up...”

“When the money comes...”

“When I have more time...”

“When I'm more confident...”

Most of life never happens because people spend their lives waiting for the perfect moment.

God rarely asks for perfection. He asks for obedience.

You don't need to know everything. You don't need every answer. You simply need enough faith to take the next step.

Perfect conditions never arrive.

Faith creates momentum.

REFLECTION: What have you postponed because you've been waiting for the perfect time?

DO THE NEXT RIGHT THING

“Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.” **Psalms 119:105**

God usually doesn't show us the next twenty years. He shows us the next step.

We often want the blueprint. God gives us enough light for today.

One conversation.

One application.

One apology.

One invitation.

One act of generosity.

One decision.

The future isn't built all at once. It's built one obedient day after another.

Quit worrying about everything after that.

Do the next right thing.

Tomorrow will take care of itself.

REFLECTION: What is the next right thing God has already shown you to do?

DON'T LET OPPOSITION DECIDE YOUR FUTURE

"Nevertheless we made our prayer to our God, and because of them we set a watch against them day and night." **Nehemiah 4:9**

Returning to Jerusalem did not mean every problem disappeared.

The people faced opposition while rebuilding. Nehemiah faced mockery. Threats. Discouragement. Pressure.

Yet opposition did not mean God had changed His mind about Jerusalem.

And Nehemiah did not treat opposition as something God sent to improve him. He prayed, planned, set a watch, organized the people, and kept building.

That is a powerful model for us.

When resistance comes, pray. Use wisdom. Get help. Make adjustments when necessary. And keep doing what God has called you to do.

Resistance does not automatically mean you are going the wrong direction.

REFLECTION: What opposition requires prayer, wisdom, and continued action from you right now?

DON'T COME DOWN

"I am doing a great work, so that I cannot come down." **Nehemiah 6:3**

Not every threat to your future looks like a crisis.

Some look like distractions.

Nehemiah's enemies repeatedly tried to pull him away from the work. His answer was simple: *I am doing a great work. I cannot come down.*

That is Do What Matters in one sentence.

You cannot say yes to everything and still give your best to what matters most.

Some invitations are distractions. Some arguments are distractions. Some opportunities are distractions. Some habits are distractions.

Know your assignment.

Know your priorities.

Protect your focus.

Keep building.

REFLECTION: What keeps pulling you away from what matters most? What do you need to stop coming down for?

DAY 34

GROW TOGETHER

God often gives us courage through community.

Meet with your Small Group this week and share one next step you're committed to taking.

Pray for one another.

Encourage one another.

Celebrate obedience.

The greatest breakthroughs often begin with one courageous decision.

“Therefore encourage one another daily...” **Hebrews 3:13**

DAY 35

XPERIENCE GOD TOGETHER

Faith grows when we gather.

Come expecting God to challenge you. Come ready to worship. Come believing that one word from God can give you the courage to take your next step.

Bring someone with you. Their future could begin with your invitation.

“Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together.”

Psalms 34:3

WEEK SIX

MAKE YOUR LIFE COUNT

BIG THOUGHT

The future God has for you is not just about what you accomplish. It is about the difference your life makes.

YOU WERE MADE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

“For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.”

Ephesians 2:10

Your life was never meant to stop with you.

God gave you gifts for a reason.

He gave you influence for a reason.

He gave you experiences, relationships, opportunities, and resources for a reason.

You are here to make a difference.

Sometimes we think purpose has to be something huge.

A platform.

A business.

A ministry.

A title.

But purpose often begins much closer than that.

It begins with a person.

Someone you encourage.

Someone you serve.

Someone you reach.

Someone you help take a next step.

A meaningful life is not measured only by what you achieve.

It is measured by what God is able to do through you for someone else.

REFLECTION: Who is one person God may be calling you to impact right now?

WHAT'S IN YOUR HAND?

"So the Lord said to him, 'What is that in your hand?'" Exodus 4:2

Moses thought he needed more.

More confidence. More ability. More answers.

God asked him a different question.

"What is that in your hand?"

A shepherd's staff didn't look impressive. But surrendered to God, it became part of a miracle.

You may be waiting for something you don't have while overlooking what God has already given you.

Your experience. Your story. Your relationships. Your creativity. Your resources. Your voice. Your time. Your gifts.

You don't have to start with everything.

Start with what you have.

Put it in God's hands and watch what He can do with it.

REFLECTION: What has God already placed in your hand that you could use to help someone else?

YOUR FUTURE ISN'T JUST ABOUT YOU

"You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden." **Matthew 5:14**

It is possible to chase a better future and still miss the point.

More money. More success. A better career. A better house.
More influence.

There is nothing wrong with making progress.

But God's purpose for blessing your life has never been simply to make your life bigger.

He wants your life to become brighter. So bright that other people can see Him through you.

The future you want should make you more useful to God, not more consumed with yourself.

Your growth should help someone else grow.

Your healing should help someone else heal.

Your success should create opportunities for someone else.

Your story should give somebody hope.

Your future is bigger than you.

REFLECTION: How can what God is doing in your life become a blessing to someone else?

BUILD SOMETHING THAT OUTLIVES YOU

“And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful people who will be able to teach others also.”

2 Timothy 2:2

One day, every one of us will leave this earth.

That isn't meant to be depressing. It's meant to help us focus.

Because if life is temporary, then the question isn't simply:

“What can I get?”

The better question is: *“What can I leave?”*

Faith that continues in your family. People you developed.

Lives you changed. Generosity that opened doors. Wisdom you passed down. A ministry, business, idea, or movement that continues serving people after you're gone.

Success is good.

Significance is better.

The greatest future isn't one where everybody remembers your name.

It's one where people are different because you were here.

REFLECTION: What are you building today that could continue making a difference after you are gone?

FROM PROMISE TO TESTIMONY

“The Lord has done great things for us, and we are glad.” **Psalms 126:3**

Forty days ago, we began with one simple truth:

God has a future for you.

Jeremiah spoke that hope to people living in Babylon.

Isaiah had already described a new thing—a way home.

Daniel discovered the promise and prayed.

Cyrus opened the door. The people moved.

Ezra and Nehemiah rebuilt in the face of opposition.

And Psalm 126 looks back and says: The Lord has done great things for us.

What had once been a promise became their testimony.

That is the journey we have been taking together.

Dream the Future.

See beyond where you are. Let God’s Word, wisdom, purpose, and the desires He has placed in your heart shape what you believe can be ahead.

Develop the Person.

Renew your mind. Build character. Practice discipline. Grow in wisdom. Strengthen your relationships. Develop your gifts.

Do What Matters.

Take the next step. Walk through the door. Refuse distraction. Keep building what matters.

And remember: your future is bigger than you.

Use your life to serve someone. Reach someone. Help someone grow. Make a difference.

There is also an even greater Exodus at the center of our faith.

Luke 9:31 says Moses and Elijah spoke with Jesus about the departure He would accomplish at Jerusalem. The Greek word is exodos.

Through Jesus, God brings us out of the bondage of sin and into new life with Him.

So The Future You Want is not merely about achieving goals.

It begins with God, is lived by faith, and ultimately points back to Him.

One day, may you be able to look back over things that once existed only as prayers, hopes, and faithful steps and say:
The Lord has done great things for us.

REFLECTION: What will you do differently starting today because you believe God has a future for you and you have a part to play in living it?



YOU DID IT!

You made it through 40 days.

But this was never really about finishing a devotional.

It was about beginning a different kind of life.

Keep dreaming. Keep developing. Keep moving. Keep making
a difference.

Your future isn't behind you.

And you are not stuck.

The future you want is still ahead.



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