
DAILY DEVOTIONAL

Famous Last Words / Week 1

WEEK 1

REMEMBER WHAT GOD HAS DONE FOR YOU.

For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.

JOHN 3:16 NLT

DAY 1

LIVE // God loves us intentionally, and He made grand gestures to show us just that. The grandest gesture of His love? Giving us His Son and asking for nothing in return. Can you imagine giving up something you really, really love . . . on purpose? That's exactly the way God chose to show His unconditional love for His people! By giving up something incredibly valuable—for YOU. And it doesn't stop there. He doesn't just want to show His love; He wants you to live the best life possible by choosing to accept the gift of His love and follow Him. Today, remind yourself of God's love for you by writing this verse down and sticking it somewhere you'll see it this week.



He personally carried our sins in his body on the cross so that we can be dead to sin and live for what is right. By his wounds you are healed.

1 PETER 2:24 NLT

DAY 2

LIVE // On the day of Jesus' death, He went through excruciating pain. He was humiliated, abused, insulted, and put through agony. Why? To take care of our sins once and for all and to prove to us that He's willing to endure anything for us. Jesus knew the mistakes we'd make, and He chose to take on the weight of them on our behalf. Jesus also knew the tough seasons we'd face in life, and He chose to prove to us that He's not afraid to face those situations with us. If you're going through a difficult season right now, remember what Jesus has already proven to you. Try to find comfort in the truth of what He did for you and the fact that you don't have to go through anything alone.



But thank God! He gives us victory over sin and death through our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 CORINTHIANS 15:57 NLT

DAY 3

PRAY // Sin and death are pretty heavy words, right? They seem like dramatic choices for Paul to use here. But thankfully, because of Jesus, we don't have to be scared or intimidated when we read words like "sin" and "death." The truth is, left on our own, sin and death are things we can't overcome in this life. But through the sacrifice Jesus made for us, we've been saved from death and can overcome the moments we feel burdened by sin. And that's a reason to be thankful! Is the weight of sin or a bad decision you've made bogging you down today? Today, ask God to free you up of that weight and give you the strength to overcome sin in that area going forward.



For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord.

ROMANS 6:23 NLT

DAY 4

HEAR // Have you ever received something for free? Isn't it such a great feeling? Everyone loves free stuff! And when you get something for free (especially for no reason), it can make you feel super grateful, lucky, or even undeserving. In the same way, God gives each of us a free gift, one we're all completely undeserving of: the gift of His grace, which leads to eternal life. When you choose to put your faith in Jesus, you receive His gift of grace and eternal life. And *THAT* is the greatest gift of all time! But, when we get something for free from someone, we sometimes feel like we now "owe" that person. Are you sometimes tempted to try to earn God's free gift? Today, remind yourself that God's gift is just that: a gift. Today, instead of trying to earn God's grace, just thank Him for it.



There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends.

JOHN 15:13 NLT

DAY 5

LIVE // Sometimes it's hard to really understand what Jesus did for us and the sacrifice He made. Because when you think about it, it's a pretty crazy story! Jesus died on a cross for us—His friends. What would you do to show your friends how much you cared about them? The truth is, no matter how much we care about our friends, that level of selflessness just doesn't come naturally to us. It's something that requires the help of Jesus. Thankfully, with His help, we can "lay down" things like pride, judgment, and selfishness and treat others with humility, kindness, and a servant's attitude. With Jesus, we can all be better friends. Today, think of one simple, practical way you can be a selfless friend. Then, ask Jesus to help you be that kind of friend to everyone you run into today.

