

The Cost Of Obedience

5-Day Devotion

Day 1:

Scripture: "Take your son, your only son, whom you love—Isaac—and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on a mountain I will show you." (Genesis 22:2)

Reflection: What in your life do you hold most dear? Are you willing to surrender it to God?

Application: Identify one thing you struggle to fully surrender to God. Pray for the strength to let it go.

Prayer: Lord, help me to surrender everything to You, even the things I hold most dear.

Day 2:

Scripture: "I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship." (Romans 12:1)

Reflection: How have you been presenting yourself as a "living sacrifice" to God?

Application: Choose one way to offer yourself more fully to God's service today.

Prayer: God, I offer myself to You as a living sacrifice. Use me for Your purposes.

Day 3:

Scripture: "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me." (Mark 8:34)

Reflection: What does it mean to "deny yourself" in following Jesus?

Application: Identify one area where you need to practice self-denial to follow Jesus more closely.

Prayer: Jesus, give me the courage to deny myself and follow You wholeheartedly.

Day 4:

Scripture: "I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing." (John 15:5)

Reflection: How dependent are you on Jesus in your daily life?

Application: Practice abiding in Christ today through prayer and meditation on His Word.

Prayer: Lord, help me to abide in You and rely on Your strength in all things.

Day 5:

Scripture: "And Abraham called the name of that place, 'The Lord will provide'; as it is said to this day, 'On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided.'" (Genesis 22:14)

Reflection: How has God provided for you in times of obedience and sacrifice?

Application: Thank God for His provision in your life, especially in difficult times.

Prayer: Father, thank You for always providing. Help me to trust in Your provision as I obey You.