

Give God Today

Start today with a prayer of surrender. Ask God, "How can I honor You today and help me with my time, talents, and all You have given me." God wants to be the main focus of your heart. In Matthew 6:24 it says, "No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other..." This verse is referencing money, but if you read between the lines, its clear- you can only serve one thing at a time.

Only you can make each day count by putting God first. You do this by putting Him first. Jesus said to them, "Give back to Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what is God's" (Mark 12:17). Trusting God means you look to Him in hope that He will help you. Even when everything around you would tell you to not trust him.

- *Psalm 25:10, "All the ways of the Lord are loving and FAITHFUL..."*
- *Psalm 36:5, "Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, Your FAITHFULNESS to the skies."*
- *1 Corinthians 1:9 says, "God, Who has called you into fellowship with His Son Jesus Christ our Lord is FAITHFUL."*
- *Deuteronomy 7:9, "Know therefore that the Lord your God is God; He is the FAITHFUL God, keeping His covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love Him and keep His commands."*

Heavenly Father,

I confess that I fall short of this in many areas of my life and I ask that You strengthen me by Your Spirit, so that I might not let sin reign in my body or give in to evil desires. Lord forgive me for all the times I have allowed fear and anxious thoughts to overwhelm me. Forgive me for the times I have allowed my thoughts, attitudes and actions to operate contrary to Your Word. Forgive me for the times I was quick to take matters into my own hands and do what is right in my own eyes.

May my life be so controlled by Your Holy Spirit, that I truly live and move and have my very being in You alone. Help me this day to not indulge my fleshly nature. Strengthen me to stand firm and be self-controlled in thought, word and action - that I might be a useable, noble vessel for Your purposes and the glory of Your great Name. Father God, You who makes all things new through the power of the Holy Spirit, I look to you as my source so I do not conform to the things of this world. Guard my mind today against worldly thoughts and behaviors. I declare my dependence upon You alone. My choice is to live-out what Your Word says - that I might be like a wise man who builds his house on a rock, regardless of what surrounds me. In Jesus Name...