

# RENEW: Daily Time with God

Lesson for Sunday, April 19, 2026

## INTRODUCTION:

- ⇒ We are learning the spiritual disciplines that will produce fruit in the life of the Christian disciple.
- \_\_\_\_\_: Prayer
  - \_\_\_\_\_: Studying God's Word
  - \_\_\_\_\_: Being doers of the Word
  - \_\_\_\_\_: Hiding God's Word in our hearts and minds
  - \_\_\_\_\_: Sharing with others the Good News
  - \_\_\_\_\_: A daily time with God
- ⇒ There are certain things that we need to do every day. What is true in the physical world is true in the spiritual. There are certain disciplines we must follow through on daily, or the consequences can be severe.
- ⇒ At the top of the list is our daily time with God. As we say at FBT – *start every day with the Bible on your lap and your knees bent at the throne of grace.*

## BIBLE STUDY:

1. What is a daily devotional time?
  - a. Our devotional time is our \_\_\_\_\_ appointment with God.
    - i. See Psalm 1:2; Psalm 5:3
    - ii. How many days of the week do you need the Lord's direction, provision, protection, presence, etc.? Those are the days you start the day with the Bible on your lap!
  - b. Why is it important?
    - i. Joshua 1:8 – Our \_\_\_\_\_ is directly linked to our time in God's Word.
    - ii. Psalm 63:1 – Whether we acknowledge it or not, we desperately need God.
    - iii. Matthew 4:4 – Our spiritual life is directly related to God's Word just like our physical life is related to food.
  - c. Spending daily time with the Lord is more than just a good idea – it is a \_\_\_\_\_.
2. When and where should we have our daily devotions?
  - a. Read Mark 1:35. What do we notice about Jesus's use of His time?
  - b. When: Mornings are usually the best time.
  - c. Where: The key is to find a place where you will not be \_\_\_\_\_.
    - i. Matthew 6:6 reinforces this point.
    - ii. In our culture, it is more than just a place! Discuss other things that can disturb us.
  - d. What works best for you personally?
    - i. The Time: \_\_\_\_\_
    - ii. The Place: \_\_\_\_\_
3. What should my daily devotions include?
  - a. Prepare your \_\_\_\_\_. It is critical that we come before the Lord with the right attitude.
    - i. See Psalm 5:3; Psalm 119:18; Psalm 139:23-24.
  - b. Time in the \_\_\_\_\_.
    - i. Psalm 119:94-95 & Acts 17:11
    - ii. The key is to have a plan.

- iii. While you are reading, note any verses that speak to you. Once you are done reading, return to those verses and complete an HEAR entry for that passage.
- c. Time in \_\_\_\_\_.
  - i. Organize your prayer life. Spend time talking with the Lord.
  - ii. Praise Him, thank Him, confess your sins, intercede for others, and then review your personal needs.
  - iii. Tip: Use a journal or note cards to help organize your prayer life.
- d. Plan to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - i. James 1:22 warns us about failing to be “doers of the Word.”
  - ii. Before wrapping up your devotions, consider how you can practice what you have learned in the next 24 hours.

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