

5 Day Devotional

Day 1: You Were Made for More Than This Field

Devotional

There is a quiet danger in building a comfortable life. Not because comfort is wrong, but because it can slowly convince you that you have already arrived. Elisha had everything the world would call success: land, livestock, servants, and security. And yet, God saw something in Him that His circumstances could not contain.

When Elijah walked past and placed his mantle on Elisha's shoulders, it was not an accident. It was a deliberate, personal invitation. God did not see a wealthy farmer. He saw a prophet. He saw potential that no field could hold.

Here is the encouraging truth: God sees you the same way. He is not looking at your limitations, your past mistakes, or the smallness of your current circumstances. He sees who you are becoming and what He has placed inside of you.

You may be standing in a field right now that feels like your whole world. But God's calling on your life is bigger than where you are standing today. The mantle He has for you has your name on it, and it has been waiting.

You do not have to have it all figured out. You just have to be willing to look up when He calls.

Bible Verse

So he departed from there and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen in front of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and cast his cloak upon him. - 1 Kings 19:19

Reflection Question

In what area of your life have you quietly settled for comfort when you sense God may be calling you toward something greater?

Quote

God has a mantle with your name on it and a calling that is bigger than the field you're standing in.

Prayer

Lord, open my eyes to see what You see in me. Give me the courage to look beyond my current circumstances and say yes to the calling You have placed on my life. Amen.

Day 2: The Danger of a Life You Were Never Called To

Devotional

One of the most sobering realities we can face is this: it is entirely possible to spend your life becoming really good at something God never asked you to do. You can build a career, a reputation, even a ministry around a life that was never His plan for you.

Elisha could have done exactly that. He was already successful. He had a future. He could have waved politely at Elijah and gone back to plowing. No one would have blamed him. But he would have spent the rest of his life excelling at the wrong thing.

God's call does not always come with a loud announcement. Sometimes it comes quietly, like a cloak placed on your shoulders in the middle of an ordinary workday. The question is whether you are paying attention.

Here is the good news: if you are reading this, it is not too late. God is still speaking. He is still inviting. His calling on your life has not expired. But it does require a response. Awareness without action is just a missed opportunity.

Do not let the busyness of a good life drown out the voice of a great calling. Pause today and listen.

Bible Verse

And he left the oxen and ran after Elijah and said, "Let me kiss my Father and my mother, and then I will follow you." And he said to him, "Go back again, for what have I done to you?" - 1 Kings 19:20

Reflection Question

Is there an area of your life where you have been working hard and achieving results, but deep down you wonder if it is truly what God has called you to?

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One of the most tragic things that can happen in your life is that you become really good at living a life that God never called you to.

Prayer

Father, I do not want to spend my life building something You never designed for me. Speak clearly, and give me the humility to listen and the courage to respond. Amen.

Day 3: Burn the Plows

Devotional

Elisha did not just decide to follow Elijah. He made it impossible to go back. He slaughtered his oxen, fed his community, and burned every plow he owned. That was not impulsive. That was intentional. He was not being reckless. He was being decisive.

There is a big difference between intending to follow God and actually following Him. Intentions without action are just wishes. Real commitment looks like burning the plows, removing the things that give you an easy exit back to the life you are leaving behind.

For some of us, the plow is a habit. For others, it is a relationship, a mindset, an addiction, or simply a schedule so full that God cannot get a word in. Whatever it is, it is keeping you from fully stepping into what He has for you.

This is not about being extreme for the sake of it. It is about being serious. Jesus said the call is all of you for all of Him. That kind of commitment requires removing the things that divide your loyalty.

You do not have to do it perfectly. But you do have to do it. What needs to go so that you can fully go forward?

Bible Verse

And he returned from following him and took the yoke of oxen and sacrificed them and boiled their flesh with the yokes of the oxen and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and went after Elijah and assisted him. - 1 Kings 19:21

Reflection Question

What is one specific thing in your life that functions as a "plow," something that makes it easy to retreat from full obedience to God?

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You can't hold the plow and wear the mantle at the same time.

Prayer

God, give me the courage to burn what needs to be burned. Help me stop holding on to what is behind me when You are calling me forward. Amen.

Day 4: Faithful Before Famous

Devotional

After Elisha burned the plows, he did not immediately step into a powerful ministry. He served. For eight years, he walked alongside Elijah, carried his bags, and learned in obscurity. There were no crowds, no headlines, and no miracles of his own yet. Just faithfulness in the small things.

And then, when the moment came, Elisha asked boldly for a double portion of Elijah's Spirit. He received it. Elijah performed 16 recorded miracles. Elisha performed 32. The faithfulness in the hidden years produced fruit in the public ones.

This is deeply encouraging for anyone who feels like they are in a season of waiting. You are not wasting time. You are being prepared. God is not measuring your significance by the size of your platform or the impressiveness of your outcomes. He is watching your obedience in the ordinary moments.

The mother changing diapers at 2 a.m. The employee doing honest work when no one is watching. The volunteer who shows up every week without recognition. These are not small things to God. These are the building blocks of a significant life.

Faithfulness is never wasted. Keep going.

Bible Verse

And when they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Ask what I shall do for you, before I am taken from you." And Elisha said, "Please let there be a double portion of your Spirit on me." - 2 Kings 2:9

Reflection Question

In your current season, are you treating faithfulness in the small things as preparation for something greater, or does it feel pointless?

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A significant life isn't built upon impressive outcomes. It's built upon faithful obedience.

Prayer

Lord, help me trust that my obedience in the hidden moments matters to You. Remind me that You are building something significant through my faithfulness right now. Amen.

Day 5: Go. Your Authority Has Already Been Settled.

Devotional

Here is the truth that changes everything: Jesus did not send you out hoping things would work out. He sent you out with all authority in heaven and on earth already behind you. The commission is not a suggestion. It is a sending, backed by the full power of the risen King.

Elisha's story did not end with him. His faithfulness produced 32 miracles, but the ripple effects of a life fully surrendered to God cannot be counted. Your story is the same. When you say yes to God's calling, you are not just changing your own life. You are stepping into a chain of impact that extends far beyond what you can see.

But here is the urgency: time is not unlimited. Life is shorter than it feels. The people around you need what God has placed inside of you. The world does not need you to be impressive. It needs you to be obedient.

So today, take an honest look at your life. What plow still needs to be burned? What mantle are you leaving on the ground? You were not created to watch from the sidelines. You were created to go.

God sees you. He values you. He loves you. And He will use you, if you let Him.

Bible Verse

And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." - Matthew 28:18-19

Reflection Question

If you truly believed that all authority in heaven and on earth was behind you, what step of obedience would you take today that fear has been holding you back from?

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At the end of the day, you get to decide what's it gonna be, 24 oxen or 32 miracles.

Prayer

Jesus, I believe You have all authority, and I trust that authority covers every step You are asking me to take. Give me the courage to go, and help me not waste the life You have given me. Amen.