

Living Into Our Holy Inheritance **Because He Lives**

Daily Devotional for April 14: The Drama of Earthly Things

Reading: *Matthew 6:19-21; Luke 12:13-21*

Family inheritances often bring unexpected conflict, revealing what truly holds our hearts. Jesus warns against storing up treasures on earth, knowing how earthly possessions can divide families and distract us from eternal realities. The rich fool in Luke's parable accumulated wealth but missed his soul's poverty. Today, examine what you're building your life around. Are you investing in things that fade or in God's eternal kingdom? The inheritance Christ offers—love, peace, reconciliation—cannot be divided or diminished. Unlike earthly estates that cause strife, God's inheritance multiplies when shared. What would change if you pursued God's kingdom with the same passion people pursue earthly inheritances?

Daily Devotional for April 15: A New Birth Into Living Hope

Reading: *1 Peter 1:3-9; John 3:1-8*

Peter speaks of being born anew into a living hope through Christ's resurrection. This isn't merely intellectual assent but a transformative experience that renews our very nature. Like Nicodemus, we may struggle to understand spiritual rebirth, yet God's grace works within us whether through dramatic conversion or gradual transformation. This new birth reorients us toward Christ's mind and heart. Reflect on moments when God's love has empowered you beyond your own capacity. Where have you experienced renewal? Wesley taught that without this new birth, we cannot see God's kingdom at work. Ask God to open your eyes today to recognize where divine love is breaking into your ordinary moments, reshaping reality itself.

Daily Devotional for April 16: The Inheritance That Never Fades

Reading: *Ephesians 1:11-23; Colossians 1:9-14*

Earthly inheritances crumble, decay, and disappoint. Houses need repair. Possessions lose value. Family heirlooms break. But Paul proclaims an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading—kept in heaven for us. This inheritance isn't about receiving possessions but becoming participants in God's eternal nature. We inherit relationship with the Creator, adoption into God's family, and the indwelling power of the Holy Spirit. Unlike worldly estates that end at death, this inheritance begins there. Consider what you're leaving behind versus what you're stepping into. God invites you to live now as an heir of divine promises. How does knowing you possess an eternal inheritance change your priorities today?

Daily Devotional for April 17: Love Overflowing Like a Fountain

Reading: *John 7:37-39; Romans 5:1-5*

Wesley described God's love within believers as a fountain, constantly overflowing. We don't merely receive God's love to hoard it; we become conduits through which divine love flows into the world. Jesus promised rivers of living water flowing from within those who believe. This is the inheritance in action—love that doesn't diminish when shared but multiplies. When we allow God's love to well up inside us, it naturally spills out toward neighbors, strangers, even enemies. Reflect on your week: where has God's love overflowed through you? Where have you blocked the flow? Ask God to remove obstacles that prevent you from being a fountain of grace, allowing Christ's love to refresh a thirsty world.

Daily Devotional for April 18: Living as Easter People

Reading: Romans 6:1-11; Colossians 3:1-4

The resurrection changes everything. Death is conquered. Sin's power is broken. We live as Easter people, witnesses to a reality where God's kingdom breaks into our present. Paul urges us to consider ourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus. This isn't wishful thinking but participating in resurrection power today. As inheritors of Christ's victory, we're called to live differently—not constrained by fear, bitterness, or worldly measures of success. We bring witness to God's kingdom here on earth through every interaction, in every space we occupy. How will you live today as someone who knows the grave is empty? Let the truth of resurrection empower you to love courageously, forgive freely, and hope boldly.