



Congratulations on making a decision to follow Jesus! This is the best decision you will ever make and we are so excited for you!

Here is a 7 day devotional to help you on your journey in following Jesus.



#### DAY 1: GOD

#### Bible Verse:

Genesis 1:1 – "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth."

#### Who is God?

God is our loving Father who created the heavens and the earth. He is in control over everything.

Our God is so big and filled with goodness and always ready to help us. There is absolutely nothing our God cannot do, that's how big He is!

God loves us so much that He made us all in His image. That makes each of us unique and special.

Did you know that even before you were born, God knew you and set you apart with a specific plan and purpose for your life?

God is always with us and when we learn to listen to His voice we will hear how He directs our every step.

The most important attribute of God that you must never forget is that God is love.

#### Something to think about:

How did God make you unique? What is your favorite creation that God made?

#### **Prayer:**

Dear God,

Thank you for making me so unique. Everywhere I look I can see your handiwork. Thank you that you love me so much that You have big plans for my life, help me to understand all that you have planned for my life. Thank You that I can rest in knowing there is nothing You cannot do. Please help me to learn to love like You do.

In Jesus Name, Amen







#### DAY 2: JESUS

#### Bible Verse:

John 3:16 - For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

God loves us so much that He sent His one and only son, Jesus, to come and save us.

Through Jesus, the Son of God, we are able to live out the plan God has for our lives. When Jesus died on the cross He took away all our sin.

Because of this big gift of Jesus dying on the cross for us, we are welcomed into God's family for eternity! That is the best gift you will ever receive.

Jesus is the perfect example of how we should live our lives.

When we read His teachings it helps us to live like Jesus did. Nothing we do can ever make Him stop loving you.

#### Something to think about:

What did Jesus do to take away all our sins?

#### **Prayer:**

Dear God,

Thank You for sending Your one and only Son to pay the ultimate price so that I can have eternal life! Please forgive me of all my sins. Help me live a life that would make you proud! In Jesus name,

Amen





#### **DAY 3: THE HOLY SPIRIT**

#### **Bible Verse:**

John 14:26 – "But the Father will send the Friend in my name to help you. The Friend is the Holy Spirit. He will teach you all things. He will remind you of everything I have said to you."

#### Who is the Holy Spirit?

The Holy Spirit forms part of the Trinity: God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.

When we give our life to Jesus, the Holy Spirit comes into our hearts and make His home there. The Holy Spirit is God's presence that lives inside of you.

The Holy Spirit is our helper who leads us and councils us to make the right decisions.

When we struggle to find the right words, the Holy Spirit will help us to pray. The Holy Spirit reminds us how much God loves us and that He is always with us!

Because we have the Holy Spirit we have the strength to do all the good things God wants us to do.

#### Something to think about:

What do you want the Holy Spirit to help you with?

#### Prayer:

Dear God,

Thank You for the gift of the Holy Spirit. Help me to learn to listen to the promptings in my heart by the Holy Spirit to help me make wise decisions. In Jesus Name,

DAY 3 Completed:

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Amen

#### DAY 4: THE BIBLE

#### Bible Verse:

Psalm 119:105 - "Your word is like a lamp that shows me the way. It is like a light that guides me."

The Bible is God's word, and He speaks to us through reading the Bible. God didn't write the Bible, but every word in the Bible was inspired by God. He used different people to write it, like poets, Kings, Shepherds and even fishermen.

There are 66 books in the Bible. There is the Old Testament, which has 39 books and it was written before Jesus came to earth. After Jesus came, the New Testament was written and it has 27 books.

The Bible is not just any book, it is the most important book that we will ever read as followers of Jesus. Reading the Bible is like reading a letter from God that is written specially for us. God wants us to grow and become more like His son Jesus.

By reading our Bibles, God's word can teach us, grow us, challenge us, change us, encourage us and comfort us. It is like an instruction manual, and God gives us instructions and guides us on how we should live a life that brings Glory to His Name.

#### Something to think about:

Why is it important for me to read my Bible?

#### Prayer:

Dear God,

Thank you for your Word. Thank you that in it we can find life, hope, direction and instruction when we read and apply to our lives. We pray that this week as we read our Bibles that you would speak to us and help us to understand. In Jesus name, Amen.

Completed

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# Bible Verse:

Jeremiah 29:13 - When you look for me with all your heart, you will find me.

Praying is the way we talk to God. We can grow closer to God by spending time with Him and telling Him about all the things that are happening in our lives. God loves it when we talk to Him because it makes our relationship stronger. Just as you spend time talking to your best friends to get to know them better it's the same with God. When we spend time with God in prayer we get to know Him better and we can grow in our relationship with Him.

Praying is easy! You can talk to God just like you would talk to your best friend. You don't have to use big words or do anything to impress God. You can just be yourself when you pray. God is always listening and He listens to every word. He wants to hear from us because He loves us and care about us. You can talk to God every day, any time and about anything. You can tell God about the things that make you happy and things that make you sad or worried.

#### Something to think about:

Why should we pray?

Dear God,	
- Thank you for	
- I love you because	
- Please watch over	
- I'm sorry for	
- Please help me with	
In Jesus Name,	
Amen	DAY 5 Completed:
	Yes
	Not yet

#### DAY 6: SOAP JOURNALING

If you read the Word every day, write down the things that you learn and start to memorise verses, you will grow in your devotion time with God and His word will become part of who you are.

Here is a guide to help you read and study your Bible in just 4 steps. This is called SOAP Journaling.

SOAP is an acronym to help you remember how to use this Bible study method.

Step 1: S – Scripture (or bible verse): Read and write down a scripture.



Step 3: A – Application: Write down what does this mean in your own life.

Step 4: P – Prayer: Write down the prayer based on what you have learned.

# SOAP JOURNAL

SCRIPTURE What did you read?	OBSERVATION What is God saying?		
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APPLICATION What does this look like in my life?	PRAYER Dear God		
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DAY 6

# **SOAP JOURNAL SCRIPTURE OBSERVATION** What did you read? What is God saying? **PRAYER APPLICATION** Dear God What does this look like in my life?



#### DAY 7: SERVING

#### B<mark>ible Verse:</mark>

Mark 10:45 – "Even the Son of Man did not come to be served. Instead, he came to serve others. He came to give his life as the price for setting many people free."

Serving is close to God's heart and in the Bible there are many examples of Jesus serving people. God loves for us to serve people because that's how we can show them a how much God love and care for them. Serving is about other people and putting their needs before our own. We can do that by showing kindness, helping, being generous, loving others and praying for them.

There are many different ways that we can serve and help others. We can serve by using the gifts and talents God has given us. Whatever it is that you're good at, you can serve God by sharing that gift with others.

Serving can also be practical, for example, we can serve at home by helping your parents with chores around the house. You can serve at by helping others at church. You can also serve at your school by telling your friends about Jesus and praying for them.

#### Something to think about:

In what ways can you serve those around you? Write down a few ideas of how you can serve:

In your home:

Your friends at school:

At Church:

#### Prayer:

Dear God,

Thank you for choosing me to serve you and showing people how much you love them! Please help me see the people around that need help and give me the courage to serve them. In Jesus Name, Amen

DAY 7 Completed Yes No





### WELL DONE!

## You have completed the HSK Devotional and can be SUPER proud of yourself!

The best thing you can do is to continue to pray and to read and study your Bible every day. You can do this by using the Soap Journaling method.

To help you on this journey we have included a Bible Reading Plan.















