FIRST things FIRST Daily Devotionals

October 27-November 2, 2025

Devotions are prepared for you to use in your Quiet Time with the Lord and are designed to prepare you for the sermon next Sunday.

Monday, Oct. 27

An Inheritance That Lasts

Scripture: 1 Peter 1:3-4 and Ephesians 1:11-23

When we think about an inheritance, we usually think of something passed down from family—maybe money or possessions. But God gives us something far better: a lasting inheritance through Jesus. It's not something that can break, rust, or disappear. It's a life filled with His love, peace, and eternal hope. This inheritance isn't just for the future—it's something we can experience now. Every moment of peace, every bit of joy in Christ, is part of what He's already given us. **Prayer:** God, thank You for giving me a lasting inheritance in Jesus.

Tuesday, Oct. 28

Marked as God's Own

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 1:22 and Ephesians 1:11-23

When we put our trust in Jesus, God gives us His Spirit as a mark of belonging. It's like His signature saying, "You're mine." The Holy Spirit reminds us of who we are—God's children—and gives us strength to live in that truth every day. Even when we doubt or feel lost, the Spirit whispers that we are not forgotten. God's presence in us is proof that we are His forever.

<u>Prayer</u>: Holy Spirit, remind me today that I am loved, chosen, and never alone. Amen.

Wednesday, Oct. 29

Seeing with the Heart

Scripture: 2 Kings 6:17 and Ephesians 1:11-23

Sometimes we only see what's right in front of us—the worries, the stress, the problems. But God wants to open our spiritual eyes so we can see things from His point of view. Like Elisha's servant, we might feel surrounded by trouble, but when our eyes are opened, we realize God's power and

presence are right there with us. Hope grows when we start seeing life through faith instead of fear.

Prayer: Lord, open my eyes to see what You're doing around me.

Thursday Oct. 30

Power for Every Day

Scripture: Romans 8:11 and Ephesians 1:11-23

The same power that brought Jesus back to life lives inside every believer. That means we don't have to rely only on our own strength. When we face tough days or big challenges, God's power is right there to help us stand firm, forgive, love, and keep going. You don't need to be strong on your own—God's strength is already in you through His Spirit.

Prayer: God, thank You for filling me with Your strength.

Friday, Oct. 31

Christ Is in Charge

Scripture: Hebrews 1:3 and Ephesians 1:11-23

It can be easy to feel like the world is spinning out of control, but Scripture reminds us that Jesus is still in charge. He rules with love and wisdom. Nothing is too big or too broken for Him. When we look at life through that truth, we can find peace. Christ is over all things—and that means we can rest in His care no matter what's happening around us.

<u>Prayer</u>: Jesus, You are in control, even when I can't see it. Help me to trust.

Saturday, Nov. 1

The Fullness of Jesus

Scripture: John 15:5 and Ephesians 1:11-23

We, the church, are meant to show the world who Jesus is. Together we're His body—each of us a different part, working and growing together. When we stay close to Him, His love and power flow through us like sap through branches on a vine. No one can live out faith alone. The fullness of Christ shows up when we love, serve, and encourage one another in His name.

<u>Prayer</u>: Jesus, help me stay close to You and to others in Your church.

Sunday, Nov. 2

All Saints Day

Worship at 10:00am

Ephesians 1:11-23 by Pastor Clint Phillips