

# DAY 6

MICAH 6:8, NIV

God has made it clear what He wants from us, and it's not complicated—God asks us to live with purpose, compassion, and humility. Doing what is right means choosing honesty, kindness, and fairness, even when it's hard. Loving mercy means showing forgiveness and grace, even to those who don't deserve it. Walking humbly with God means recognizing that we don't have all the answers and trusting God to guide us. It's not about being perfect; it's about letting God shape us into people who reflect God's love. How can you live out what God has asked of you today?

# DAY 7

EPHESIANS 3:19, NIV

God's love is so big and so deep that we can't fully understand it—it's beyond anything we could ever know. But the amazing thing is, God wants us to experience it anyway. God's love fills every empty space in our hearts, giving us purpose, peace, and joy. It's not just a little taste; it's an overflow, a fullness that changes everything about how we live. Imagine being completely surrounded by a love so perfect that it leaves no room for fear or doubt. That's the kind of love God offers.

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MIDDLE SCHOOL

# DAY 1

ROMANS 15:13, NIV

Everything is connected. When we trust God, we find peace. That peace makes room for joy. And when joy fills us, hope can overflow—not because we force it, but because the Holy Spirit is working in us. It changes. Think about it like planting a seed. If you take a tiny apple seed, you trust that it will one day grow into a strong tree. It takes time, care, and patience, but eventually, it produces fruit. In the same way, when we trust God we experience things like peace, joy, and hope in our lives. It doesn't happen instantly, but little by little, we become stronger, more grounded, and more hopeful.

**What's one area of your life where you feel anxious or uncertain? This week, take one step to trust God with it—whether that's praying about it, talking to a trusted friend, or reminding yourself of what is true**

# DAY 2

PSALM 37:4-5, NIV

All the desires of your heart—sounds like a dream come true, right? We all have things we want and dreams we hope for, but here's the amazing thing about God: the more we trust Him and live in a way that honors Him, the more our hearts begin to change. The psalmist isn't promising that God is a genie who grants wishes; he's saying that as we follow God, our desires become aligned with His. It's like wanting something badly—maybe winning a big game or getting into a friend group—but then realizing God's plan is even better than what you thought you needed. That's the Holy Spirit working in and through us. Don't you think what God has planned is so much better than what we could come up with on our own?

## DAY 3

PHILIPPIANS 4:7, NIV

The heart feels everything, and the mind thinks about everything—sometimes too much. Both can lead us in circles, making us worry, overthink, or react out of emotion. But God makes an incredible promise: His peace, which is greater than anything we can understand, will guard both our hearts and our minds. He protects us, even from ourselves, so we don't have to keep worrying, planning, or stressing. His peace is a safe place to rest and trust that He has everything under control. How would it feel to let go and rest in His perfect peace today? Look for ways God helps you guard your heart and mind with peace.

## DAY 4

1 PETER 1:8, NIV

True joy is much more than just feeling happy when life is going well—it's deeper, steadier, and impossible to shake. This verse reminds us that even though we can't physically see Jesus and when we love Him and place our trust in Him, we receive a kind of joy that the world can't quite understand. It's not based on how easy or hard life feels but on the incredible gift of knowing Him. Think about the pure happiness you feel when you're with your closest friends, sharing a moment that makes you laugh until you cry—now imagine a joy even greater than that. That's the kind of joy Jesus offers us, one that stays with us no matter what's happening around us. How can you trust Him today and let that unshakable joy take root in your heart?

## DAY 5

COLOSSIANS 3:12, NIV

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Have you ever picked out an outfit in the morning based on what kind of day you were expecting? Maybe you wore a hoodie and sweats for a lazy day or your favorite shoes to feel confident. In this verse, Paul tells us to “clothe” ourselves with mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience—kind of like picking out what attitude we wear each day.

Seeing God in our everyday life isn't just about noticing what God is doing around us, but also about reflecting God's love through our actions. The way we treat people—our family, friends, teachers, even people who annoy us—shows others what God is like. The more we practice things like kindness and patience, the more natural they become.

**Tomorrow morning, when you pick out your clothes, take a second to pray and ask God to help you “put on” kindness, patience, and humility for the day. Look for one opportunity to show one of these qualities to someone, even in a small way.**