

His
KINGDOM
IS COMING

SUMMER *of* PRAYER

GROW GUIDE

Daily Encounter Guide

Daily Encounters are the greatest way to spiritually grow as a disciple of Jesus.

God invites us to meet with Him daily. Just as Israel gathered manna every morning, God teaches us to live in daily dependence, obedience, and intimacy with Him. Daily Encounters are daily discipleship. A disciple is someone who follows Jesus, obeys Him, and builds their life around Him every day. Discipleship is formed through repetition, obedience, intimacy, and trust, not information alone.

1. SET AN APPOINTMENT WITH GOD

Daily encounters begin with intention.

- Choose a **daily time**
- Choose a **daily place**
- Remove distractions
- Expect resistance, and show up anyway
- Have an appointment with the Lord every day

2. WELCOME THE HOLY SPIRIT

Begin by inviting God's presence. Pray:

- "Holy Spirit, You are welcome here."
- "No spirit but the Holy Spirit is welcome."
- "Give me ears to hear."
- "Teach me."
- "Speak, Lord."

3. WORSHIP

Minister to God's heart before asking for anything.

- Play worship music
- Sing, speak, or sit in reverence
- Thank God for who He is ([Ps. 110:4](#))

4. PRAY THE LORD'S PRAYER

Jesus gave us a daily prayer framework.

Pray slowly and intentionally:

- **"Our Father in Heaven..."**
Declare God's holiness.
- **"Your Kingdom come, Your will be done..."**
Surrender your will to His.
- **"Give us this day our daily bread..."**
Ask God for what you need today.
- **"Forgive us our debts..."**
Repent and receive grace.
- **"As we forgive our debtors..."**
Forgive people by name.
- **"Lead us not into temptation..."**
Ask for strength and protection.
- **"Deliver us from evil..."**
Declare victory in Christ.

5. PERSONAL PRAYER LIST

Pray intentionally for:

- Yourself
- Your family
- Your friends
- Your workplace
- Your city
- Your church & leaders
- The peace of Jerusalem ([Psalm 122:6](#))
- + Add your own

6. READ THE WORD (DAILY BREAD)

God's Word was meant to be encountered daily, not occasionally.

Suggested Reading Plans:

- **15-Minute Plan**
1 Psalm, 1 Proverb, 1 Gospel
- **30-Minute Plan**
1 Psalm, 1 Proverb, 1 Gospel,
1 Old Testament, 1 New Testament,
1 Revelation

7. GIVE GOD ROOM TO SPEAK

Slow down. Listen. Pray:

- "Speak, Lord. Your servant is listening."
- Be still
- Write down what you sense
- Pay attention to Scripture, impressions, or the conviction of the Holy Spirit

8. ASK HIM TO TEACH YOU HIS WAYS

God desires to form you, not just inform you. Pray:

- "Teach me Your ways."
- "I want what You want, show me what You want."
- Repeat what God says out loud.
- Obey what He reveals.

9. CLOSE WITH THE PRAYER OF ENCOUNTERS



WATCH & PRAY

MATTHEW 26:36-46

In both the Hebrew and Greek the meaning of “Kingdom of God” describes the reign, rule, authority, and royal dominion of God.

In the ancient world, a city's survival depended on its watchmen. They were posted on the walls — elevated, positioned, eyes open — assigned to see what the people inside the city could not see. Their job was to see what's coming, discern threats, and sound the trumpet before they arrived.

HEBREW

שומר (shamar) — **To keep, guard, watch over, observe.** (over 460 occurrences)

It is the word God used in Genesis 2:15 when He placed Adam in the garden and said: “Tend it and keep it.” The very first human assignment on planet earth was a watchman assignment.

GREEK

γρηγορέω (Grēgoreō) — **To be awake. Alert. Alive and watchful to your post.**

Jesus uses this word in Mark 13

He has just described the signs of the end, the shaking of kingdoms, His second coming.

SPIRITUAL WARNINGS

- 1. Prayer is not a performance** — Prayer becomes theater the moment the heart wants man's approval more than God's presence.
- 2. An unwatched post is an open gate** — The Enemy walks through open gates.
- 3. Self-will is a throne problem** — Elevating what's right in your own eyes leads to rebellion, and rebellion blocks you from walking in God's will even when He tries to give it to you.
- 4. An unguarded soul fails publicly** — A watchman who neglects his own soul will eventually fail at his post. Watching over yourself has to come before watching over others.
- 5. Watching isn't worrying about the Devil** — True watching means fixing your eyes on what God is doing, not living in fear of the Enemy.

His Kingdom Come:

Watch and Pray:

◇ Matthew 6:9-10

◇ Psalm 103:19

◇ Isaiah 66:1

◇ Isaiah 6:1

◇ Revelation 4:2–3

◇ Romans 8:5-9

◇ Matthew 12:39-41

◇ Matthew 6:5-14

◇ Matthew 6:33

◇ Colossians 3:2

◇ Philippians 3:17-20

◇ Mark 13:32-37

◇ Proverbs 4:23

HOW TO PRAY HIS WILL

1. Ask Him

- a. What is on His heart
- b. What is on His mind
- c. What are His ways

2. Humble yourself and submit your desires to God

- a. "Not my will be done"

3. Pray that He would increase

- a. "Let Your will be done"

PRACTICAL ADVICE

1. Pick a day outside of your Daily Encounter to intentionally pray and watch

- a. Worship and pray in the Spirit.
- b. Write down anything you sense or see from the Lord.
- c. Reflect on how you are doing with what He showed you — and pray what He leads you to pray.
- d. Reflect on how your family is doing with what He showed you — and pray.
- e. Ask Him what He wants you to do about what He shows you.

2. Pray His Kingdom and will over yourself and your family daily.

3. Before major decisions, fast and pray to hear and know God's will.

4. Before minor decisions, ask God for His opinion.

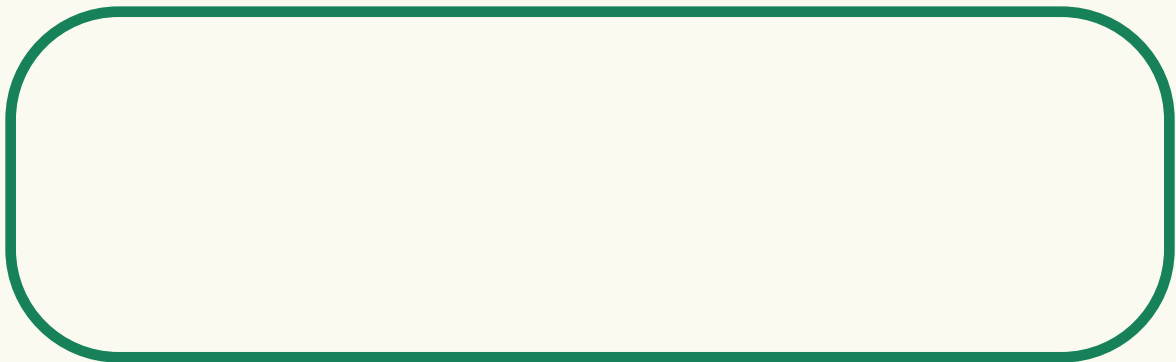
5. In your encounters, or throughout the day, ask God "What is the most important thing you want me to know or do today?"

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. What areas of your will do you need to surrender to God?



2. What is God's will for you in this season?



3. Where is what you want clouding your view of what God wants you to see?

4. What has God spoken to you through this guide?

5. What places has God called you to pray and usher in His Kingdom?

The Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13 ESV

“Our Father in Heaven,
hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come,
your will be done,

on Earth as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil”



PRAYER *of* ENCOUNTERS

This is where I tell You... I love You, I love You, I love You!

This is where I tell You... You're Holy, You're Holy, You're Holy!

This is where I tell You... Thank You, thank You, thank You!

This is where I tell You... I need You, I need You, I need You!

This is where I tell You... Speak Lord, Your servant is listening!

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