Day 1: Embracing Change

Devotional

In Acts 10, we see Peter being challenged to step out of his comfort zone. He receives a vision that goes against the Jewish dietary laws he has always followed. This vision is not just about food; it's about breaking down barriers and embracing change. God is showing Peter that the message of Jesus is for everyone, not just the Jews. This is a powerful reminder for us to be open to the changes God wants to bring into our lives. Change can be uncomfortable, but it is often necessary for growth. Jesus, you change everything.

Bible Verse"He saw heaven opened and something like a large sheet being let down to earth by its four corners." - Acts 10:11

Reflection Question What changes is God calling you to embrace in your life right now?

Quote Jesus, you change everything.

Prayer Lord, help me to embrace the changes You are bringing into my life. Give me the courage to step out of my comfort zone and trust in Your plan. Amen.

Day 2: Listening to the Holy Spirit

Devotional

Peter's vision was a direct message from God, but it required him to listen and obey. The Holy Spirit guided Peter to Cornelius, a Gentile, breaking down the barriers that existed between Jews and Gentiles. This teaches us the importance of listening to the Holy Spirit in our own lives. God is always working and speaking to us, but we need to be attentive and willing to follow His guidance. Pray and listen to God. He's always working.

Bible Verse"The Spirit told him, 'Simon, three men are looking for you.'" - Acts 10:19

Reflection Question How can you be more attentive to the Holy Spirit's guidance in your daily life?

Quote Pray and listen to God. He's always working.

Prayer Holy Spirit, help me to be attentive to Your voice. Guide me in my decisions and lead me to where You want me to be. Amen.

Day 3: Breaking Down Prejudices

Devotional

Peter's encounter with Cornelius is a powerful example of breaking down prejudices. Peter, a Jew, and Cornelius, a Gentile, were brought together by God's plan. This teaches us that there is no room for bigotry or prejudice in the church. We are all equal in God's eyes, and His love is for everyone. Peter left his comfort zone. There is no room in the church for any type of bigotry or prejudice or thinking that we are better than anybody else.

Bible Verse"Then Peter began to speak: 'I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism.'" - Acts 10:34

Reflection Question Are there any prejudices or biases you need to confront and overcome in your own life?

Quote Peter left his comfort zone. There is no room in the church for any type of bigotry or prejudice or thinking that we are better than anybody else.

Prayer Lord, help me to see others as You see them. Remove any prejudices or biases from my heart and help me to love everyone as You do. Amen.

Day 4: Being the Answer to Someone's Prayer

Devotional

Cornelius was a devout man who prayed regularly, and God answered his prayers by sending Peter to him. This shows us that we can be the answer to someone's prayer. God uses us to fulfill His plans and purposes. We need to be open and willing to be used by God to bless others. God will answer your prayer.

Bible Verse"Cornelius stared at him in fear. 'What is it, Lord?' he asked. The angel answered, 'Your prayers and gifts to the poor have come up as a memorial offering before God.'" - Acts 10:4

Reflection Question How can you be open to being used by God to be the answer to someone else's prayer?

Quote God will answer your prayer.

Prayer God, use me to be a blessing to others. Help me to be attentive to the needs around me and to be willing to be the answer to someone's prayer. Amen.

Day 5: Trusting in God's Plan

Devotional

Peter's journey to meet Cornelius was guided by the Holy Spirit, and it required him to trust in God's plan. This teaches us the importance of trusting in God's plan for our lives. Even when we don't understand or when things seem uncertain, we can trust that God knows what He is doing. God knows the courses of billions of stars in millions of galaxies and solar systems everywhere, and he knows exactly where they are.

Bible Verse"About noon the following day as they were on their journey and approaching the city, Peter went up on the roof to pray." - Acts 10:9

Reflection Question In what areas of your life do you need to trust God's plan more fully?

Quote God knows the courses of billions of stars in millions of galaxies and solar systems everywhere, and he knows exactly where they are.

Prayer Lord, help me to trust in Your plan for my life. Even when I don't understand, help me to have faith that You are in control and that You know what is best for me. Amen.