

Grace Guide



JUNE 1-7

“Come Follow Me”

MONDAY

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1 SAMUEL 3:1-21

Samuel's call came in the quiet of the night while he was carrying out ordinary responsibilities. At first, he did not recognize God's voice, assuming someone else was calling him (Eli the priest). With Eli's guidance, Samuel learned to listen and respond, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening." God's call often comes while we are busy with everyday life rather than while we are seeking dramatic spiritual experiences. The challenge is not that God is silent but that we are often distracted by other voices competing for our attention. Like Samuel, we grow in faith when we learn to recognize God's voice and respond with openness and obedience, even when we do not yet know where his leading will take us.

1. What voices or distractions most often make it difficult for you to hear God's guidance?
2. When have you sensed God speaking through an ordinary circumstance rather than an extraordinary one?

TUESDAY

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JEREMIAH 17:5-10

The prophet Jeremiah contrasts two ways of living. One person places ultimate trust in human strength and finds life becoming dry and barren. The other trusts in God and is like a tree planted by water, remaining fruitful even during difficult seasons. The difference is not the absence of hardship, both experience heat and drought. The difference is where their roots are planted. Our culture encourages self-reliance and independence, but faith calls us to depend on God as the source of life and stability. When our confidence is rooted in God, we are able to endure challenges without losing hope, purpose, or spiritual vitality.

1. When have you been tempted to seek safety and security in places other than God's presence?
2. How have you experienced God's faithfulness during a difficult season of life?

WEDNESDAY

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1 CORINTHIANS 9:19-23

The apostle Paul explains that he willingly adjusted his habits, preferences, and freedoms in order to share the good news with others. He was not compromising the gospel, he was removing unnecessary barriers that might prevent people from hearing the truth of God. Paul's example reminds us that faith is not only about personal spiritual growth. Faith also calls us to consider how our lives can help others encounter Christ. Sometimes this means setting aside our own comfort, expectations, or routines for the sake of serving someone else. Love motivates us to meet people where they are so that they might experience God's grace.

1. What personal preferences (in any aspect of your life) are you least willing to set aside to be able to show Christ to others?
2. How might setting aside one of those preferences help you better serve another person?

THURSDAY

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EPHESIANS 4:1-6

After describing the incredible grace God has given through Christ, Paul turns to a practical question: How should we live in response to God's grace? His answer begins with humility, gentleness, patience, and love. These qualities are not signs of weakness but evidence that God is shaping us into the people he created us to be. Paul also emphasizes the unity that believers share. Though we come from different backgrounds and have different gifts, we are joined together by one Lord, one faith, and one baptism. Following Christ is not merely an individual journey, it is a shared life in which we learn to love, encourage, and bear with one another as members of God's family.

1. Which of the qualities Paul lists—humility, gentleness, patience, or love—do you find most challenging to practice? Which is easiest for you?
2. How has another Christ follower helped strengthen your faith through their encouragement or example?

FRIDAY

6/5

PSALM 40

David begins this psalm by celebrating God's faithfulness. God heard his cry, lifted him from danger, and gave him a new song to sing. Yet David also recognizes that God desires more than outward religious actions. God wants hearts that are attentive and willing to do his will. Gratitude for God's saving work naturally leads to a life of obedience and testimony. When we remember how God has carried us through past challenges, we gain confidence to trust him in present circumstances and opportunities to share his goodness with others.

1. What is a specific way God has shown faithfulness in your life that you can thank him for today?
2. What does it mean to delight in doing God's will rather than simply fulfilling religious obligations?

**SATURDAY/
SUNDAY**
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MARK 1:16-20 & 2:13-17

Jesus called Simon, Andrew, James, John, and Levi while they were engaged in the ordinary work of their daily lives. None of them had everything figured out. They were fishermen casting nets and a tax collector sitting at his booth when Jesus invited them into something new. Remarkably, Jesus did not begin by asking them to achieve, prove, or earn anything. He simply said, "Follow me." The same invitation continues today. Christ calls people not because they are already perfect but because he is able to transform them through a relationship with him. As Levi's story shows, encountering Jesus changes not only personal priorities but also relationships, habits, and the way we see other people. The invitation remains simple, but responding to it can change everything.

1. When did you hear Jesus say to you, "Come, follow me"?

2. Why is it important that Jesus called ordinary people rather than religious experts? What does that mean to you?

VERSE OF THE WEEK

"Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people."

(Mark 1:17)