

### **RECOMMENDED FOR AUGUST**



## ON GOD'S PROMISES

from the Gospels & Old Testament

- When you feel like a failure, God helps you restart. (Nathan Rebukes King David)
- When you feel overwhelmed, God takes care of you. (Elijah Flees to Horeb)
- When you feel stuck, God gives you guidance. (Two Blind Men Receive Sight)
- When you feel unwanted, God says you belong. (Jesus Restores a Demon-Possessed Man)

### **RECOMMENDED FOR SEPTEMBER**



## ON LIVING WISELY

from Proverbs & the Epistles

- Wise people practice what God has said. (Solomon Asks God for Wisdom)
- Wise people share what God has given them. (John Teaches About Jesus' Love For Us)
- Wise people follow God's guidance. (Paul's Prayer for the Ephesians)
- Wise people's words show God's love. (James Explains Two Kinds of Wisdom)

### RECOMMENDED FOR OCTOBER



# **ON TRUSTING GOD**

from the old Testament

- God can turn fear into courage.
  (Esther is Vindicated)
- God can turn hurt into hope. (Job is Tested)
- God can turn wrongs into rights.
  (Amos Speaks Against Injustice)
- God can turn worry into trust. (Jesus Teaches About Worry)

### RECOMMENDED FOR NOVEMBER



## **ON LOVING LIKE JESUS**

from the Book of Mark

- Jesus shows us listening is worth repeating. (Bartimaeus Receives Sight)
- Jesus shows us love is worth repeating. (The Greatest Commandment)
- Jesus shows us caring is worth repeating. (Jesus Heals a Man With Leprosy)
- Jesus shows us encouragement is worth repeating. (Jesus Heals a Paralyzed Man)

#### **RECOMMENDED FOR DECEMBER**



# **ON CHRISTMAS**

from Luke & the Prophets

- Christmas reminds us Jesus is our Savior. (Isaiah Prophecies the Coming of Jesus)
- Christmas reminds us God can be trusted. (Mary's Song)
- Christmas reminds us to rely on each other. (Mary Visits Elizabeth)
- Christmas reminds us God is with us. (Jesus is Born)

### RECOMMENDED FOR JANUARY



# **ON FOLLOWING JESUS**

from the Gospels

- From now on, trust Jesus is with you. (The Word Became Flesh)
- From now on, let Jesus give you peace. (Jesus Calms the Storm)
- From now on, trust Jesus loves you. (Love Others Like Jesus loves IIs)
- From now on, Jesus gives you a place to belong. (Jesus Welcomes Little Children)

#### RECOMMENDED FOR FEBRUARY



## **ON GODLY FRIENDSHIP**

from the old & New Testaments

- God's words can help your friendships grow. (Naomi and Ruth)
- Your friends can help your faith grow. (Jesus Calls His Disciples)
- God can help us choose our friends wisely. (Hate What is Evil, Cling to What is Good)
- God can help repair broken friendships. (Jesus Teaches About Loving Our Enemies)

#### **RECOMMENDED FOR MARCH**



## ON SPIRITUAL GROWTH

from the New Testament

- Spending time with God can make us more like Jesus. (Moses Sees God's Glory)
- When you face temptation, ask God for help. (Jesus Is Tested in the Wilderness)
- With God, difficult moments can help our character grow. (Jesus Warns About Persecution)
- We grow when we make things right with God. (The Parable of the Fig Tree)

### RECOMMENDED FOR APRIL



## ON EASTER

from the Gospels & Acts

- With Jesus, everyone's invited.
  (Parable of the Lost Son)
- We're invited to celebrate who Jesus is. (Jesus Enters Jerusalem)
- We're invited to remember what
- Jesus has done. (Jesus' Crucifixion)
- We're invited to let Jesus make us new. (Jesus' Resurrection)
- We're invited to follow the Holy Spirit's lead. (Jesus Appears to His Disciples)
- Jesus invites us to invite others.
  (The Parable of the Great Banquet)

#### RECOMMENDED FOR MAY



# ON RIGHTING WRONGS

from the New Testament

- What if God wants you to meet someone's needs? (Aeneas & Dorcas)
- What if God wants you to rest?
  (Jesus Feeds the 5,000)
- What if God wants you to help others heal? (The Healing at the Pool)
- What if God wants you to make wrong things right? (Paul & Silas)

### **RECOMMENDED FOR JUNE**



# **ON THE GOSPEL**

from the old & New Testaments

- God is writing a good story.
  (The Creation Story)
- Sin isn't the end of our story.
  (The Impact of Sin)
- Jesus can rewrite our stories.
  (Redemption Through Jesus)
- We can be part of God's story.
  (Restoration Through Jesus)

## **RECOMMENDED FOR JULY**



# **ON DOUBTING GOD**

from the Gospels ? Old Testament

- When you doubt God can be trusted, remember what God's already done. (Naaman is Healed)
- When Jesus' followers disappoint you, be what you don't see. (Jeremiah Speaks Against False Religion)
- When you've lost hope, ask God to surprise you. (God Promises Sarah a Son)
- When it feels like God doesn't hear you, keep praying. (The Birth of Samuel)

#### FOR A WEEK-LONG CAMP



- Walking with God helps you grow. (Fruit of the Spirit)
- Everyone benefits when you use your gifts. (Spiritual Gifts in the Body of Christ)
- Spending time with others helps you love like Jesus. (Love Is...)
- Jump at a chance to share your faith story. (The Armor of God)

#### FOR A WEEKEND RETREAT



- God invites you to own your faith.
  (No Confidence in the Flesh)
- True friends shape each other's faith. (Philip & Nathanael Follow Jesus)