



Grace Assembly Of God

Grace Every Morning – Worship Edition Devotional

Scripture:	Psalm 59:16-17	Title:	Worship in Tough Times
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Focus Points:	We can find strength and place our hope and trust in God when we worship Him.		
Key Verse(s) (NLT):	<p><i>16 But I will sing of your strength, in the morning I will sing of your love; for you are my fortress, my refuge in times of trouble.</i></p> <p><i>17 You are my strength, I sing praise to you; you, God, are my fortress, my God on whom I can rely.</i></p> <p><i>Psalm 59:16-17 (NLT)</i></p>		
Devotional	<p>None of us are immune to tough times. But one of the best responses we can have is to remember to worship God, even if we don't feel like expressing our praise or singing a song. There is power when we worship through difficulty, and I believe the Lord honors us when we choose to honor Him. When we sing songs that are Bible-rich in lyrics about who God is – His power, His faithfulness, His goodness – we are reminding ourselves that God is with us and will make a way for us. Just like King David learned to strengthen himself in the Lord, let us also learn to strengthen ourselves in the Lord especially in the face of difficulty</p>		
APPLICATION QUESTIONS:			
Adult:	When was the last time you witnessed God helping you through a tough time? How did He help you, and what did you learn from that time?		
Youth:	When was the last time you witnessed God helping you through a tough time? How did He help you, and what did you learn from that time?		
Child:	Is there a superhero in your life who you know is strong and can always be there when you need him to be? No one can be always there except God. When you are afraid or when you don't know what to do, turn to God and pray. Praise God for always being there.		
PRAYER:			
Praying Scripture:	Father, You are our fortress and refuge, our strength and our shield. When we are afraid, we can run to You. Help us cling closer to You when we face trials. When we are lost and confused, help us look to You to direct our paths. Thank You for being an ever-present help in times of need. We praise You and pray this in Jesus' name, amen.		
Thanksgiving Prayer:	I/We thank you for _____ (e.g. delicious food they ate, places they went, prayer that is answered, etc)		
Intercessory Prayer:	I/We want to pray for _____ (e.g. healing of sickness, family members, work or study, leaders, nation, etc)		
Salvation Prayer:	I/We pray for the salvation of my/our unsaved loved ones _____ (can add one name per day). In Jesus Name I/we pray. Amen.		

“As The Deer” by Don Moen (lyrics)

Verse 1

As the deer panteth for the water
So my soul longeth after Thee
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship Thee

Chorus

You alone are my strength my shield
To You alone may my spirit yield
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship Thee