

FORTY DAYS

WEEK 6 DEVOTIONAL

This is a 5-Day Devotional from Sunday's sermon "Envision The Vision." Each day includes a Scripture reading, reflection, meditation, and prayer to help guide personal renewal and deeper trust in Jesus.

DAY 1: THE AUTHORITY OF JESUS

Verse:

"Jesus came near and said to them, *"All authority has been given to me in heaven and on earth."* – Matthew 28:18

Reflection:

Our mission starts with Jesus' authority, not our ability. Because He reigns, we can persevere even when the mission feels overwhelming. His power guarantees the outcome.

Meditation:

Whisper: *"Jesus has all authority, so I will not give up."*

Prayer:

Read out loud – *"Lord Jesus, when I feel weak, remind me that You reign over all. Help me to trust Your authority as I step into Your mission. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."*

DAY 2: GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES

Verse:

"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations..." – Matthew 28:19a

Reflection:

"Making disciples" is the only command in these verses. Sometimes that means across the street and sometimes across the world. It will not be easy; relationships can be messy and fruit may take years. That's why perseverance is key. Galatians 6:9 reminds us that we will reap if we don't give up.

Meditation:

Picture the face of someone you're praying for. Ask God for strength to keep praying for and serving them, even when it feels slow.

Prayer:

Read out loud – *"Father, give me courage to keep going in love. When I grow weary, remind me that the harvest is coming in Your timing. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."*

Verse:

"Baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit..."
– Matthew 28:19b

Reflection:

Baptism symbolizes a new beginning—but taking that step takes courage, persistence, and prayer. Perseverance not only means walking with others, but also walking in obedience ourselves. Do you need to be baptized?

Meditation:

Recall your own baptism or your commitment to Christ. Let it remind you that God patiently pursued you—and He calls you to do the same for others.

Prayer:

Read out loud – *"Lord, thank You for welcoming me into Your family. Give me perseverance to walk faithfully with you and patiently with others until they too step into Your grace. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."*

Verse:

"Teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you." – Matthew 28:20a

Reflection:

Discipleship is a lifelong pursuit. It's not just information but transformation. That requires time, repetition, and perseverance. Like a farmer tending crops, we teach and model obedience, trusting God to bring the growth.

Meditation:

Ask yourself: *Am I persevering in obedience to what Jesus has already shown me? Do I trust His way over my own?*

Prayer:

Read out loud – *"Jesus, help me to live out Your commands faithfully and give me endurance to teach others with patience. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."*

Verse:

"And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." – Matthew 28:20b

Reflection:

The Great Commission ends with truth—Jesus is with us. This is what fuels perseverance. Even when fruit seems invisible, we don't labor alone. His Spirit is our strength to keep going until the harvest comes (Galatians 6:9).

Meditation:

Breathe deeply and repeat: *"Jesus is with me—I will not give up."*

Prayer:

Read out loud – *"Lord, thank You that You never leave me. When your mission feels hard or too slow, renew my perseverance with the promise of Your presence and the hope of an eternal harvest. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."*