

DAILY DEVOTIONAL

Vital

WEEK 2

GETTING TO KNOW JESUS IS HOW WE GET TO KNOW GOD.

**“Ah, sovereign Lord,
you have made the
heavens and the earth
by your great power
and outstretched arm.
Nothing is too hard for
you.”**

JEREMIAH 32:17 NIV

DAY 1

Life constantly reminds us of our limitations. The failed math quiz, the missed free throw, and even that challenging level of a video game—all tell us that some things are just beyond our abilities. But thankfully, we have access to a God who can do anything. All of creation—from the stars in the sky to the smallest fish in the sea—reminds us that God is all powerful. As you pray today, talk to God about a struggle or limitation you’re dealing with in life. Ask Him to step in and carry the weight of it for you, as He is strong and able.

**“For God has not given
us a spirit of fear
and timidity, but of
power, love, and self-
discipline.”**

2 TIMOTHY 1:7 NLT

DAY 2

No one likes to admit that they’re afraid, but we all struggle with fear from time to time. But the good news for us is that God gives us a way out. Fear does not come from God. He wants us to live courageously and has given us everything we need to do just that. All we have to do is call on Him for the power, love, and strength we need to face any of our fears. What’s one fear that you currently have? Share it with a friend and ask them to help you work toward facing it with God’s help.

“He personally carried our sins in his body on the cross so that we can be dead to sin and live for what is right. By His wounds you are healed.”

1 PETER 2:24 NLT

DAY 3

Have you ever been blamed for someone else’s mistake? It isn’t fair, is it? Consequences should be given to the guilty, not the innocent, right? Well, Jesus stepped in the line of fire for all of us—guilty and innocent. He took the fall for all of our mistakes with His death on the cross. And the best part? In doing so, He saved us all for eternity! This week, share with a friend or Small Group Leader what it means to you to know that Jesus saved us all.

“This is why we work hard and continue to struggle, for our hope is in the living God, who is the Savior of all people and particularly all believers.”

1 TIMOTHY 4:10 NLT

DAY 4

Life is not always easy. Sometimes, the pressures of today can distract us from the possibilities of tomorrow. But when we place our hope in Jesus, we can be encouraged as we face both today and tomorrow knowing that He has already overcome every possible challenge we might face. This week, write down a few challenges you’re facing. Share them with a friend or Small Group Leader and pray for God’s encouragement to get through them.

“See how very much our Father loves us, for He calls us His children, and that is what we are!”

1 JOHN 3:1a NLT

DAY 5

It feels good to be loved. Whether it’s through an encouraging text, a hug from someone you love, or an unexpected gift, it’s nice to know that you matter to others. One of the greatest acts of love we’ve ever received is being a part into the family of God. The God of the universe loves us as His own children. What better gift is there than that? Take time this week to spend alone with God. Thank Him for loving you enough to give you life and make you His own.