

Daily Devotionals

FOR AN
everyday faith.

HABITS / WEEK 2

HIGH SCHOOL

*In the beginning God created
the heavens and the earth.*

GENESIS 1:1 NLT

DAY 1

What's your favorite part of God's creation? Maybe it's something like huge mountains or bright stars, or a new born baby or a massive forest. No matter what parts of creation put you in a state of awe, you get to see it every day. Wherever you live, God's creation is all around you. All we have to do is slow down long enough to pay attention and to see it. **This week, make a point to look around and notice some of your favorite parts of God's creation.**

*Let the heavens be glad, and
the earth rejoice! Let the sea and
everything in it shout His praise!*

PSALM 96:11 NLT

DAY 2

God wants all of His creation to worship Him—even the rocks and the seas! You might not be able to sing like an angel (even if you think you can) or play the guitar like a professional, but you can certainly worship better than a rock! Next time you have the opportunity to worship Jesus, do it with passion. You don't have to sing or have an instrument. **Just use your words to tell God how grateful you are for the world He has made and the good things you are experiencing in life.** God loves our worship no matter how we go about doing it.

*By faith we understand that the
entire universe was formed at
God's command, that what we now
see did not come from anything
that can be seen.*

HEBREWS 11:3 NLT

DAY 3

God formed the universe on purpose with purpose. He created each and every thing with detail—including *you*! Whether you believe it or not, or feel like it or not, you are a valuable part of God's creation. And that's something worth remembering! **On a piece of paper or in a note in your phone, write down three things you love about the way God made you and who He created you to be. Then, stick that note on your mirror or set a reminder on your phone to be remind you of how wonderful He believes you are!**

<p style="text-align: center;"><i>He counts the stars and He calls them all by name.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">PSALM 147:4 NLT</p>	<p>DAY 4</p> <p>For thousands of years, God's people have written about how much He cares for His creation. He cares about the stars so much that He calls them each by name. So, if God cares that much about the stars, how much more does He care for you—the one created in His very image? God knows every part of who you are. He knows your thoughts, your hurts, your dreams, and even your questions. Nothing you say or do surprises God or scares God away. Before your head hits the pillow tonight, thank God for how well He knows you and how much He cares about every part of who you are.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>O Sovereign Lord! You made the heavens and earth by your strong hand and powerful arm. Nothing is too hard for you!</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">JEREMIAH 32:17 NLT</p>	<p>DAY 5</p> <p>All of us have felt overwhelmed before. It's the feeling that we can't handle whatever we are facing, and it's a terrible feeling. The next time you feel like things are out of your control, remember this verse from Jeremiah. Nothing is too hard for God. It never has been. And it never will be. This week, when facing something big, remind yourself that nothing is too hard for God and thank Him that you can count on Him to be strong, even when you aren't.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Oh, how I love your law! I meditate on it all day long. Your commands are always with me and make me wiser than my enemies.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">PSALM 119:97-98 NLT</p>	<p>DAY 6</p> <p>Written by Cherish, age 17, from Charlotte, North Carolina, USA</p> <p>As a high school student, people, especially adults, are always asking you questions. What are your interests? What sports do you compete in? What clubs are you involved in? Are you going to college? If so, where? So. Many. Questions. To be completely honest, most of the time we don't know. It's not like when you come into this world the doctor gives you a life plan. There is no set route. There is not a Google Maps for life decisions. It can be extremely frustrating. The good thing about God is that He does not expect us to know all the answers. He gives us a plan. The Bible is His map to us. It gives us the answers to questions that we could never process.</p> <p>Now imagine, you are going on a road trip across the country all by yourself and purposely leave any source of direction at home. This sounds silly, right? This is us without the Bible—traveling the world alone and without direction. God does not want you to be alone or lost. While the Bible may not specifically answer all of the details, it does give us guidance on how to ask God and get wisdom from others before making these decisions. Reading and following His instructions helps us connect with God and leads to a fuller life.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Let all that I am praise the Lord; with my whole heart, I will praise his holy name. Let all that I am praise the Lord; may I never forget the good things he does for me.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">PSALM 103:1-2 NLT</p>	<p>DAY 7</p> <p>Ask a friend to memorize this verse with you. Make it a competition by seeing who can memorize the verse first.</p>