

# DAY 6

## Psalm 119:130 NLT

Light is one of those things you don't really think about until it's gone. Think about when you're trying to find the bathroom or get a glass of water in the middle of the night. Without light, you stumble around, knocking things over and stubbing your toes. But when you flip the lights on, everything becomes clearer. You can see what's in front of you. You can find your way. The Bible is like a light for our lives! When you can't see your way, it helps show you where to go and what's ahead. It makes things easier to see!

**This week, talk to your small group leader or friend about an area of your life where you don't really know what to do next. Together, find a verse that can help shine some light on what your best next step could be.**

# DAY 7

## Psalm 119:105 NIV

There is wisdom in the Bible designed to help us navigate every part of our lives! Trouble with friends, struggles in our families, anxiety, fear, rejection, heartbreak—the Bible has something to say about it all! So, as you find yourself looking for help navigating the ups and downs of life, you can turn to God's Word for all you need.

**As you continue to memorize this verse this week, ask someone for help! Invite a friend to work on it with you, ask a parent for encouragement to keep going, or turn to your small group leader for help in understanding what it means for your life. The goal? To work on getting into God's Word with the people around you!**

# DAILY DEVOTIONAL

FOR AN  
**everyday faith.**

COMPASS / WEEK 2

MIDDLE SCHOOL

# DAY 1

## Psalm 143:10 NIV

Many of the Psalms read like prayers. That's because many of them were written as prayers! The writers were asking God to show them what to do. They're praying that God would lead them and show them God's will, or plan, for their lives. Chances are you've prayed a similar prayer. Maybe you've asked God for guidance, wisdom, or direction in your own life. The truth is, God uses so many things in our lives to answer this prayer. The Holy Spirit, the Bible, other people—all sorts of things can teach us and lead us toward wisdom when we need it.

**So today, use this Psalm as a guide for a prayer. Pray that God would teach you and lead you. Then, look for who or what God is using around you to do that.**

# DAY 2

## Psalm 37:23-24 NIV

The Bible is like an instruction manual for our lives. It shows us where to go, what to do, and how to live. After all, everyone needs help from time to time! And as books like the Psalms remind us, when we go to the Lord for help—when we seek out God's wisdom in the Bible—God promises to lead us, guide us, and keep us standing strong. What an encouraging promise to have! To know that when we turn to God for guidance, God will not lead us the wrong way.

**Write this verse somewhere you can see it. Look to it when you're not sure what to do in a situation in your life. Let it remind you that God is with you and will not leave you.**

## DAY 3

### Luke 1:3-4 NLT

The Bible was written by ordinary people. They were real people living real lives with real struggles and real challenges. With God leading them, they wrote down the experiences and truths that God gave them so that they could be given to us today. The words and wisdom of the Bible are just as important to our lives now as they were back when they were written.

**This week, dive into learning about some of those experiences and people in the Bible. Dive into the book of Luke, where this verse is found, to start. Spend time reading and learning about Jesus and the men and women who experienced Him on Earth.**

## DAY 4

### 1 Thessalonians 2:13 NLT

Maybe you've wondered how you can know that the Bible is real. How can you trust it? How can you believe in it? Well, because as this verse says, the very words you read in the Bible are the very words of a very real God. While it was written by humans, God used them to communicate God's heart, mind, commands, and love to us. So, as we read and learn about the Bible, we can know we're hearing from the God who loves us and wants to know us.

**Today, take a moment to thank God for the Bible. Pray that God would help you see it for what it truly is—the very words of God given to us.**

## DAY 5

### 2 Timothy 3:16 NLT

*Written by Josiah, age 18, from Wright City, Missouri, USA*

Have you ever had to build something without having any instructions? Maybe you tried to build Legos, but you lost the instruction manual that it came with. When things like this happen, you can feel like giving up. It's hard to know what to do without a guide, because you have all these pieces that go together somehow but you don't know where to start. It can be really easy to give up when you don't have any steps to follow.

Just like that, the Bible is our guide in life and our faith.

A couple years ago, I reached a point in my life where I really needed help and I didn't know what to do next. Before I reached out to anyone, I ran to God and wept. It was then that I started to read the Bible and understand it on a deeper level for the first time. What I read gave me hope and purpose. I don't know where you are

in life today, but I do know that God's Word can bring you life and encourage you no matter what you're going through.

**Today as you read the Bible, pray that God will use what you read to guide you in whatever it is you are going through right now.**