Are you willing to spend a few minutes every day with God? Are you willing to spend a few quiet moments each morning studying God’s Word, or are you too busy for that? The answer, of course, is that you can find time for God . . . and you should.

Scottish-born evangelist Henry Drummond correctly observed, “Ten minutes spent in Christ's company every day—even two minutes—will make the whole day different.” How true. If you dedicate even a few minutes each morning to a time of devotional reading and prayer, you will change the tone and direction of your day.

Are you seeking to change some aspect of your life? Do you seek to improve the condition of your spiritual, physical, or emotional health? Do you desire the peace that can be yours through Christ? If so, ask for God’s help and ask for it many times each day . . . starting with a regular morning download of God’s wisdom, God’s truth, and God’s love.

If I should neglect prayer but a single day, I should lose a great deal of the fire of faith.

Martin Luther

How bright is your future? Well, if you're a faithful believer, God's plans for you are so bright that you'd better wear shades. But here's an important question: How bright do you believe your future to be? Are you expecting a terrific tomorrow, or are you dreading a terrible one? The answer you give will have a powerful impact on the way tomorrow turns out.

Do you trust in the ultimate goodness of God’s plan for your life? Will you face tomorrow’s challenges with optimism and hope? You should. After all, God created you for a very important reason: His reason. And you still have important work to do: His work.

Today, as you live in the present and look to the future, remember that God has an amazing plan for you. Act—and believe—accordingly.

Yesterday is just experience but tomorrow is glistening with purpose—and today is the channel leading from one to the other.

Barbara Johnson

Don’t ever forget there are many more firsts to come.

Dennis Swanberg