



Faith *Colored* Glasses

Radiant Reflections with Pastor Tamaris

5 - Day Devotional

Week of October 20, 2024

Devotional Summary:

This five-day devotional journey invites participants to view their lives, especially their relationships with family and friends, through "faith-colored glasses," inspired by Joshua's declaration in Joshua 24:15. Each day's reflection focuses on different aspects of how our faith influences and guides our choices, particularly in the context of preparing for and participating in Family and Friends Day at church.

Day 1: Choose This Day

Scripture: Joshua 24:15

Reflection: Choice is a powerful aspect of faith. Joshua presents a decision that is personal yet public, one that defines the identity of a family or community. As we look forward to Family and Friends Day, consider what choices you are making in your faith life. Are they reflective of serving God?

Prayer: Lord, help me to see the daily choices I make through the lens of my faith. Grant me the wisdom and courage to choose to serve You in all aspects of my life.

Action Step: Write down one area in your life where you feel you have been hesitant to choose faith as your guide. Commit to making a faith-led decision in that area this week.

Day 2: The Influence of Faith on Family

Scripture: Joshua 24:15b

Reflection: Joshua reminds the Israelites of their ancestors' choices and the prevailing cultural influences. In the context of Family and Friends Day, consider how your faith influences your family and friends. Do you actively share your faith, or do you conform to the 'gods' of modern culture?

Prayer: Heavenly Father, guide me to be an example of faith in my family. Let my life be a testament to Your love and truth, influencing others positively.

Action Step: Have a conversation with a family member or friend about how your faith influences your life choices. Share why serving God is important to you.

Day 3: As for Me and My House

Scripture: Joshua 24:15c

Reflection: Joshua's declaration is a commitment to faith not just for himself but for his entire household. Reflect on how you can lead your family in faith, especially as you prepare to participate in Family and Friends Day. How does your home reflect your commitment to serving God?

Prayer: Lord, I choose to serve You in my home. Help me lead my family with integrity and faithfulness, reflecting Your love and grace.

Action Step: Plan a family devotion or prayer time this week. Discuss what serving the Lord means to each family member and how you can support one another in faith.

Day 4: Faith-Colored Vision

Scripture: Joshua 24:15

Reflection: Seeing through "faith-colored glasses" means viewing our decisions, relationships, and actions in light of God's Word and His commandments. How does this perspective change the way you view others, especially as you invite friends to church?

Prayer: God, let my vision be colored by faith. Help me see others as You see them and love them as You love them.

Action Step: Reach out to someone you've been meaning to invite to Sunday Morning Worship Service or Bible Study. Share your excitement about what it means to serve God together.

Day 5: Confidence in God's Mercy and Grace

Scripture: Joshua 12:15

Reflection: Now that we have celebrated Family and Friends Day, take a moment to reflect on and celebrate the choices made by you and your loved ones to serve the Lord. Consider how this collective decision has strengthened your bonds and deepened your faith.

Prayer: Thank You, Lord, for the family of faith You have provided. Bless the relationships that have been fortified during our time together and continue to guide us as we joyfully serve You.

Action Step: Reflect on the interactions you had during Family and Friends Day. Think about the new people you met and those you might not have known well before. Continue to reach out, share stories of faith, and encourage one another in your commitment to serve the Lord.

Reflection