



第30周 靈修默想

每日靈思：請信徒齊來歡然取水，

請先翻開聖經，恭讀相關詩篇，禱告，默想經文，然後再回答問題。

7月26日（星期一）經文：詩篇36：1-12

1. 在第1節，惡人的罪過是什麼？第2-4節中指出他們有什麼惡行？我如何成為是一位敬畏神，遠離惡事的基督徒？
2. 第5-6節，詩人怎樣稱頌神？第7節，神的慈愛對世人有什麼益處？第8節，人們可以進一步得著什麼？我是否常思想主的愛，活在神的慈愛裡？

7月27日（星期二）經文：詩篇37：1-4

1. 第1節，神禁止什麼？第2節的原因是什麼？在我的生活中，什麼情況下我會為作惡的心懷不平，並且以惡報惡？
2. 惡人行惡之時，第3節告訴我們應當如何回應？第4節中提醒我們怎樣才会有好心情？將有什麼結果？我能夠靠主堅持行善嗎？我真的相信神的話，心裡得力量嗎？即使在困境中，神仍然是我的喜樂嗎？

7月28日（星期三）經文：詩篇37：5-9

1. 當惡人囂張時，在第5節中，詩人如何面對？第6節將會有什麼結果？我將自己的事交托神嗎？在什麼狀況之下，我才願意全心依靠祂？
2. 在惡人當道時，第7節告訴我們應當如何？應該拒絕什麼？在第8節中，我們又應當如何？心懷不平有什麼危險？在第9節中，惡人的結局如何？在生活中，有什麼事情會使我爭吵？我如何默然依靠神，止住怒氣，不報復？

7月29日（星期四）經文：詩篇37：10-17

1. 在第10節中是經過了多久的時間？惡人將會如何呢？第11節，謙卑依靠神的人將如何？我如何確信神的話是不會落空的？我什麼時候最缺乏忍耐片時？
2. 第12節，惡人怎樣待義人？第13節，主有什麼回應？第15節，惡人的惡行有什麼結果？第16節，神怎樣看義人和惡人？這也是我的看法嗎？

7月30日（星期五）經文：詩篇37：18-29

1. 第18-19節，完全人的結局如何？第20節，惡人的結局又是如何呢？我是否相信神，並且追求完全嗎？如果是的話，我當有什麼態度？
2. 第21、26節，義人有什麼義行？惡人行為如何？第23-25節，耶和華如何善待義人？我曾經樂意施捨助人嗎？在我的周圍，有什麼人特別需要我的幫助？

7月31日（星期六）經文：經文：詩篇37：30-40

1. 在第30-31節中，義人在談論什麼？他們的心裡在想什麼？第32-33節，惡人怎樣對待義人？耶和華怎樣保護義人？我的口在談論智慧、公平或有批評、論斷、詭詐、污穢？
2. 在第34節中，詩人的回應是什麼？他如此做之後有什麼結果？在第37節，我們應當細察哪些人？我是否願意操練等候神，遵行祂的道？

Week 30

THE POWER TO CHOOSE

Joshua 24:15

Choose for yourselves today whom you will serve. . . . As for me and my house, we will serve the LORD

Adam and Eve's sin also affected the area of their will. Do you realize that in the Garden of Eden they could only make one wrong choice? Everything they wanted to do was okay except eating from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil (Genesis 2:16, 17). They had the possibility of making a myriad of good choices and only one bad choice-- only one!

Eventually, however, they made that one bad choice. As a result, you and I are confronted every day with a myriad of good and bad choices. You can choose to pray or not pray, read your Bible or not read your Bible, go to church or not go to church. You can choose to walk according to the flesh or according to the Spirit. You and I face countless choices like that every day, and we eventually make some bad ones.

Other than the Holy Spirit in your life, the greatest power you possess is the power to choose. Someone has said that pure Christianity lies in the exercise of the will. The animal kingdom operates out of divine instinct. But we are created in the image of God, which means we have a self-operated, independent will. The essence of temptation is to function independently of God. The basis for temptation is legitimate needs.

Sinful behavior is often a wrong attempt at meeting your basic needs. The real issue here is are you going to get your needs met by the world, the flesh and the devil, or are you going to allow God to meet your needs "according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:19)?

It's an issue of identity and maturity. The more you understand your identity in Christ, the more you will grow in maturity. And the more mature you become, the easier it will be for you to choose to live your life in dependence on your heavenly Father.



Prayer: Lord, I determine to exercise my great power of choice to live in moment-by-moment dependence on You today.

Visit Neil Anderson's Daily In Christ at:
<http://www.crosswalk.com/devotionals/dailyinchrist/>



Aspire To What Is Higher

Aspire to godly excellence
And wisdom for your life
For these have eternal value
And is the character of Christ

Why should we spend
more time
On what is only external?
Shouldn't we be feeding
our spirits?
For it's our spirit that is
eternal

For there is far more value
In pursuing godly things
For with it our souls
shall prosper
And know eternal blessings

God wants to lift us up
To our full potential in Him
To rise above our limitations
And run the race to win

Don't let circumstances in life
Hold you back once more
For you can arise and
conquer it
As you trust in the living Lord

And as the Lord reveals to you
His purposes and His will
Know that He equips you for
Your destiny to fulfil

And He will be to you a friend
You can go to when in need
Just keep your eyes
focused on Him
And upon His word believe

© By M.S.Lowndes

