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PRAY:
"Lord, as I open Your Word—*open me* to Your Word."

WRITE:
Answer the following questions in your journal

1. What is the main idea?
2. What did I learn about Jesus?
3. What did I learn about man?
4. How can I apply the truth of Scripture in my life today?

MEDITATE/MEMORIZE:
Pick a verse(s) in the daily scripture reading to think on throughout the day and commit to memory. Writing the verse on a notecard and keeping it with you is helpful for memorization.

PRAY:

Something significant happens when you pray. Recognize that Jesus stands as your Great High priest as you enter the Most Holy Place. You can come boldly before the throne of God because you enter through the blood of Jesus, for He has made you worthy.

Prayer guide:

- Magnify the Lord and declare His greatness and your dependance on Him.
- Thank God for the truth you learned in God's Word.
- Ask the Lord to help you apply the truth
- Confess any sin that would hinder your walk with the Lord
- Confess your identity in Christ—that you are a new creation, redeemed, loved by God, a chosen race, royal priesthood, etc.
- Thank the Lord for His goodness and mercy over your life.
- Open your heart to God. Lay down any burdens, concerns, fear, doubt, worry etc. Ask the Lord to help you and increase your faith and faithfulness to Him.
- Pray for the people in your life that you are concerned about. What are the hardships they face?
- Pray for a friend who does not know Christ. Pray the Holy Spirit will convict their heart and draw them to a saving knowledge of Jesus.
- Realize that you will enter a battlefield today. The enemy does not want you to glorify Christ. So, be prepared and put on the full armor of God

The people you are around today are not your enemies. Your enemy is the prince of darkness and the demonic forces around us. He will use the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the boastful pride of life. Your enemy will use the world's philosophies, the cultures world view, and the media that constantly bombards your mind. Therefore, you must be prepared for battle.

- Belt of truth: Make sure that you listen to the voice of the Holy Spirit. Discern the things you hear through the truth of God's Word. It is the belt of God's truth that keeps us from falling, not the belt of "your" truth or the "world's" truth.

- Breastplate of righteousness: Protect your heart. Do not allow the desires of the flesh and the lure of this world to draw your heart away from the love of Christ. Keep your heart sensitive to the will of God.

- Shoes of the gospel: Be ready to share your faith with others. Ask the Lord to open your eyes to those around you and to take advantage of any opportunity the Lord grants you today.

- Shield of faith: The righteous walk by faith. Our trust is in the Lord. When arrows of doubt, fear, depression, temptation, etc. attack you—allow your faith to strengthen and sustain you.

- Helmet of Salvation: Many times, we battle terrible thoughts, whether they are self-inflected or from an enemy. These thoughts can be lustful, full of hate, lacking in self-worth, prideful, shameful, or immoral. The helmet of salvation protects the believer from these thoughts and helps the believer 'think saved". Paul said in 2 Cor. 10:5 to "take every thought captive". Use the helmet of salvation to allow your mind to think how God would have you think.

- Sword of the Spirit: The Word of God is your offensive weapon. When you study and know the Word of God, you can defend yourself and cut through the temptations of the enemy. It is not enough to know you have a sword; you must use it. The Bible is the same. It is not enough to know the Word of God; you must apply it

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Reading Plan

Day 1: Mark 1:1-8

Day 2: Mark 1:9-19

Day 3: Mark 1:19-44

Day 4: Mark 2:1-17

Day 5: Mark 2:18-28

Day 6: Mark 3:1-19

Day 7: Mark 3:20-35

Day 8: Mark 4:1-20

Day 9: Mark 4:21-34

Day 10: Mark 4:35-41

Day 11: Mark 5:1-20

Day 12: Mark 5:21-43

Day 13: Mark 6:1-13

Day 14: Mark 6:14-29

Day 15: Mark 6:30-56

Day 16: Mark 7:1-23

Day 17: Mark 7:24-37

Day 18: Mark 8:1-26

Day 19: Mark 8:27-33

Day 20: Mark 8:34-9:1

Day 21: Mark 9:2-13

Day 22: Mark 9:14-29

Day 23: Mark 9:30-37

Day 24: Mark 9:38-50

Day 25: Mark 10:1-12

Day 26: Mark 10:13-31

Day 27: Mark 10:32-45

Day 28: Mark 10:46-52

Day 29: Mark 11:1-25

Day 30: Mark 11:27-12:12

Day 31: Mark 12:13-34

Day 32: Mark 12:35-44

Day 33: Mark 13

Day 34: Mark 14:1-11

Day 35: Mark 14:12-31

Day 36: Mark 14:32-52

Day 37: Mark 14: 53-72

Day 38: Mark 15:1-15

Day 39: Mark 15:16-16:8

Day 40: The Gospel of Mark