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The background of the entire cover is a photograph of a sunset over the ocean. The sun is a bright, glowing orb on the horizon, casting a long, shimmering path of light across the water. The sky is filled with soft, golden clouds, and the waves are breaking gently on a sandy beach in the foreground. The overall mood is peaceful and contemplative.

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INTRODUCTION

How we feel about and look at our lives here on earth, molds us into the type of person we become as we work our way through all the various elements of that life.

There will be happy times, sad times, trying times and tragic times. Nobody can escape the different situations and circumstances we all find ourselves in at any given point in our lives.

It could be the birth of a child or the death of a loved one. It could be the sickening blow of hurt and disappointment when someone you loved, trusted or looked up to, betrays you or lets you down.

It could also be the surprise and joy when someone you thought wanted nothing to do with you suddenly surprises you by doing something that takes your life in an amazingly beneficial direction.

No matter what it is that may come your way or happen to you in life, it is how you handle each and every situation that will not only decide the type of person you are here but will also determine the place that will be your forever dwelling place for all eternity when you leave this life on earth.

I have created this devotional study journal so that each week you can look at the entry for that week and then

contemplate it, study it and I hope do some independent study and then enter your observations in the adjoining page to each week's devotional.

When it is finished over the years you will be able to look back at it and see how your life and your faith has changed. Perhaps it will remind you of a time when you were happy in Christ and help you get back there.

Perhaps you will be able to see how much you have grown in your relationship with God over the years from when you wrote your entries. Either way may this journal be an encouragement and blessing to you.

It is my sincerest prayer that this devotional will encourage you, uplift you and give you a desire to just take some time each week to study and get yourself more into God's word so that you get more out of God's word. By doing so you will draw closer to our Heavenly Father.

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52 Weekly devotions with personal journal entry space

Pastor Phillip Eckstein



** All scripture is taken from the New King James Version of the Bible*

Week 1

“by professing it some have strayed concerning the faith. Grace be with you. Amen.”

1Timothy 6:21

Probably one of the most important decision we make in our lifetime is whose friendship is more important to us. Most people would like and will try to make everyone their friend but that is just an impossibility.

You are going to meet many people in your lifetime. Most people you can say you know will just be acquaintances while others will become friends some even close friends, but you're the one that will have to decide who your best friend is.

It is no secret that before anyone can become your friend you need to get to know them. You may know about someone, their name, where they live, where they work and even what they sound like but you really don't know them.

You could be asked, what is their favorite food? What makes them happy, what makes them sad? Even though you may know the person you wouldn't be able to answer those questions because you don't personally know them.

It isn't until you have spent time with and have entered into matters of the heart that you can say you really know anyone.

So it is when you enter into a relationship with God. To really know God you have to spend time with Him and enter into matters that effect the heart.

There is a very big gap between knowing about God and actually knowing Him as your best friend. Just professing Christ as your Saviour is not enough.

This week take some time to spend with your Heavenly Father and then enter in your journal what you discovered about Him.

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Week 2

“Arise, walk in the land through its length and its width, for I give it to you.”

Genesis 13:17

So often we read and are told that this journey we are on with God is a walk. We are to walk with God, with Jesus and with the Holy Spirit.

Why is it that we are to always walk? There are many aspects to this that can be discovered in God’s word but for this week’s study we want to look at the reward of walking.

It’s no secret that there are physical, cardio and other health benefits to having a regimented walking routine. People are always willing to do what they can to have a healthy physical life style.

Our spiritual healthiness and well-being however is another story. It is as if people go through life thinking that their spiritual side will just automatically adjust itself and always be healthy.

Nothing can be further from the truth. Like our physical condition our spiritual condition requires work also. For a healthy spiritual life with God we must be in constant training. We must be in a perpetual walk with God.

Praying constantly, meditating on His word, worshiping and praising Him and walking in a life style that emulates Christ's life.

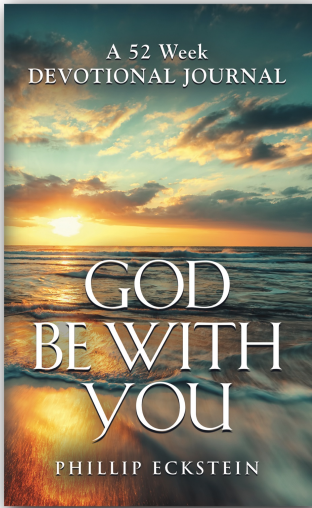
Just like a physical training routine has rewards, so does a spiritual training routine. Abraham, Abram at the time, was told that he would receive as his reward, all the land he could see but he had to walk it.

We too can receive all the promises and rewards God has for us but we must continue our walk with Him. Take this week to walk with God and then write the rewards you received from Him.

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