

5 DAILY LIFE AFFIRMING VERSES

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COVID-19 SPECIAL EDITION

C H A R L Y N N J O H N S

We are living through days when questions arise with frequency. The "why" has never been an easy one to respond to, or to understand how a Holy God allows circumstances to spin wildly out of control.

Over 6 years ago, a distraught and suicidal Marine asked if I would send him "5 reasons to stay alive" each day. Of course I said yes. Now, there are over 2,000 days, 10,000 verses of affirmations to continue, to have hope, reasons to hold on, even when a pandemic threatens to change our world in unimaginable ways.

The Word of God has always held the answers, and offered hope. The Truth found within the pages shows how people and nations wrestled with issues and cried out for a reason.

This special edition contains 40 days of five encouraging verses. My original desire was to publish a collection of 500 of the over 2,000 days I have amassed over the last six years. Yet, the world changed and accelerated the timeline. This edition contains flaws in formatting, and probably spelling. But... I didn't want to delay for want of perfection.

Download and share as often as you want. Find friends to read the verses with. Have a discussion on the quest, and on the questions that arise.

Please use the lines to enter your thoughts as you walk out this journey of self-distancing and the strange days we find ourselves in.

I pray these 40 days of hope serve as a light in the dark chaos of what we call COVID-19.

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5 for the Better Angels of Our Nature

1. CRISIS configures our appeal (Habakkuk 1:1-4)
2. He ASSURES and affirms (Habakkuk 1:5)
3. PRAY and watch for the answer (Habakkuk 2:1)
4. Be PATIENT (Habakkuk 2:3-4)
5. LISTEN well (Micah 6:8-9)

*March 4, 1861 Abraham Lincoln's 1st Inaugural Address

"We are not, we must not be, aliens or enemies but fellow countrymen and brethren... The mystic chords of memory, stretching from every battlefield and patriot grave, to every heart and hearth-stone, all over this broad land, will yet swell with the chorus of the Union, when again touched, as surely as they will be, by the better angels of our nature."

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