



# Growing in *Wisdom*



A 21 DAY JOURNEY  
THROUGH PROVERBS 27



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— WISDOM. FORMATION. STEWARDSHIP. LEGACY. —

BE ROOTED. BE ESTABLISHED. BUILD WHAT LASTS.

# INTRODUCTION

## Welcome to the Journey

Welcome to *Growing in Wisdom: A 21 Day Journey Through Proverbs 27*.

This devotional was created to accompany the midyear 21-day fast of TACC-FRIENDS INTERNATIONAL, where I serve as Women's Leader.

What began during a season of fasting, prayer, waiting, and reflection gradually became something deeper, a leadership formation journey centered on wisdom, discernment, stewardship, and spiritual maturity.

As a woman with a mandate to mentor and strengthen women in leadership, I am constantly seeking ways to challenge our faith, deepen our spiritual roots, and cultivate endurance for the assignments God has entrusted to us. By the help of the Holy Spirit, these devotionals were written during the fast itself, often flowing directly out of prayer, reflection, teaching, and lived experience.

It is my sincere hope that this devotional will continue to bless you long after the fasting season concludes. Even if you did not participate in the corporate fast, my prayer is that these reflections will still serve as a source of encouragement, instruction, sharpening, and spiritual renewal.

Associated teachings connected to these themes are also available through our YouTube teaching series, where diverse teachers expand on the same topics explored throughout this devotional.

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## FASTING FORMAT

### Type of Fast

Partial Fast as led by the Holy Spirit.

Please choose one of the following options:

Daniel Fast

6:00 AM – 3:00 PM

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## PURPOSE OF THE FAST

This fast was designed to:

Form wise and discerning women leaders

Purify motives, speech, and relationships

Strengthen integrity and stewardship

Anchor leadership in humility, faithfulness, and longevity

Wisdom is not optional for leadership; the stakes are too high.

While gifting may open doors, wisdom is what sustains influence. Proverbs 4:7 reminds us that “wisdom is the principal thing,” and James 1:5 teaches that those who lack wisdom should ask of God.

As leaders, wives, mothers, pastors, ministers, mentors, professionals, and spiritual mothers, we constantly navigate responsibilities that are often complex, emotionally demanding, and spiritually weighty. We need wisdom not only to lead effectively, but to endure faithfully.

This fast is especially focused on women in leadership because leadership is not sustained by charisma alone. It requires discernment, humility, emotional maturity, relational wisdom, and faithful stewardship over time.

Fasting is an appropriate spiritual discipline for seeking wisdom because it quiets the soul, sharpens discernment, and realigns priorities.

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# WHY PROVERBS 27?

Proverbs 27 is uniquely suited for leaders because it does not focus primarily on public success, growth strategies, or visibility. Instead, it addresses the deeper matters that sustain leadership over time: character, relationships, stewardship, correction, discernment, accountability, diligence, emotional maturity, covenant, and humility.

There is nothing wrong with growth, expansion, or influence. However, character is the bedrock that sustains elevation.

Proverbs 27 confronts the inner life and reveals the kinds of wisdom necessary for those entrusted with people, platforms, influence, and spiritual authority.

Throughout this devotional, we will explore themes such as:

1. Humility
  2. Emotional maturity
  3. Jealousy and comparison
  4. Correction and accountability
  5. Covenant relationships
  6. Discernment
  7. Stewardship
  8. Diligence
  9. Longevity in leadership
  10. Legacy and endurance
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# WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP

Women in leadership often carry multiple burdens simultaneously.

Many serve as pastors, ministers, mentors, mothers, intercessors, professionals, counselors, nurturers, and builders while quietly carrying emotional, spiritual, and relational responsibilities for families, churches, ministries, and communities.

This past year, God taught me many lessons during hidden and quiet seasons. Some of those reflections found their way into these pages.

Proverbs 27 speaks honestly to the real pressures women leaders face:

The pain of comparison and jealousy

The weight of criticism and correction

The temptation toward self-promotion or self-protection

Emotional fatigue

Relational strain

The challenge of remaining faithful in long assignments

The danger of neglecting personal spiritual health while caring for others

This fast is not about striving for visibility or expansion. It is about formation, preservation, sustainability, and longevity in ministry.

It is my prayer that this journey will expose areas where wisdom is needed, soften hearts to receive correction, sharpen discernment, and align us more deeply with God's timing rather than urgency.

Ultimately, my hope is that women leaders will pause, reflect, examine, and recalibrate—not for performance, but for continued faithfulness.

Amen.

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## OBJECTIVES OF THIS JOURNEY

## Spiritual Objectives

- To deepen reverence for God as the source of all wisdom
- To cultivate humility, discernment, and spiritual maturity
- To renew hunger for God's Word and presence

## Relational Objectives

- To foster unity, sharpening, and covenant loyalty among women leaders
- To bring healing from comparison, jealousy, betrayal, and isolation

## Leadership Objectives

- To strengthen integrity in both private and public leadership
  - To sharpen discernment in relationships, counsel, and accountability
  - To address emotional health and relational dynamics in ministry
  - To reinforce diligence and faithfulness in long-term assignments
  - To establish sustainable leadership rooted in wisdom, endurance, and godly legacy
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# FINAL EXHORTATION

Proverbs 27 reminds us that wisdom is proven over time, not merely in moments of visibility.

Recently, while reflecting on the often unseen and thankless work many women carry in the trenches of life and ministry, I found myself praying: "Lord, give me wisdom and grace lest I grow weary or weak."

This fast is a call for women like us, women on stilettos carrying spiritual weight, to lead wisely, love faithfully, steward diligently, and endure humbly.

As we fast, we are not seeking to become more impressive.  
We are seeking to become wiser.

*“For the wise woman builds her house...”*  
— *Proverbs 14:1 (NKJV)*

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# Day 1

## Opening Worship, Consecration & Commitment

### Growing in Wisdom

*A 21 Day Journey Through Proverbs 27*

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## Welcome to Day 1

Before we begin this journey through Proverbs 27, let us first pause and position our hearts before the Lord.

Every meaningful spiritual journey should begin with consecration. Throughout Scripture, whenever God prepared people for transition, instruction, leadership, or assignment, there was usually a call to pause, pray, fast, and sanctify themselves before Him.

Wisdom is not merely intellectual; it is spiritual.

It is formed in surrendered hearts.

And before we ask God for greater influence, insight, or leadership capacity, we must first place ourselves willingly into His hands for shaping.

This 21 day journey is not about performance.  
It is not about striving to appear spiritual.  
It is not merely about abstaining from food.

It is about formation.

It is about yielding our hearts, appetites, motives, speech, relationships, leadership, emotions, and desires to God.

Throughout Proverbs 27, we will encounter themes that challenge us deeply:  
humility,  
correction,  
discernment,  
stewardship,  
relationships,  
faithfulness,  
restraint,  
and endurance.

Some lessons will comfort us.  
Others may confront us.

But wisdom requires honesty.

As women in leadership, ministry, family, career, and service, many of us carry significant responsibilities quietly. We often pour into others while neglecting our own spiritual and emotional replenishment. But this fast is also an invitation to return inwardly to the presence of God.

This is our moment to slow down and listen again.

To examine what has become noisy.  
To surrender what has become heavy.  
To allow God to recalibrate what has become misaligned.

And perhaps most importantly, to seek wisdom before greater weight is added to our lives.

Because wisdom is what sustains what gifting alone cannot.

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## Call to Worship

Before beginning today's prayers, take time to worship.

You may choose worship songs that focus on:

Surrender

Holiness

Wisdom

Consecration

The Presence of God

Trust and Dependence on God

Suggested Scriptures for Worship:

Psalm 95:1-7

Proverbs 3:5-6

James 1:5

Psalm 139:23-24

Romans 12:1-2

Take a few quiet moments and invite the Holy Spirit into this journey.

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## Reflection

Ask yourself honestly:

What areas of my life need wisdom right now?

Where have I been emotionally exhausted or spiritually distracted?

What patterns need to change?

What burdens have I carried that God never assigned to me?

What kind of woman am I becoming?

Am I building with wisdom or merely surviving through pressure?

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Do not rush these questions.

Wisdom grows where honesty is permitted.

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# Prayer Topics

## 1. Prayer for Wisdom

**Scripture:** James 1:5

Father, I acknowledge my need for Your wisdom. Give me understanding beyond human reasoning and teach me to walk according to Your truth.

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## 2. Prayer for Consecration

**Scripture:** Romans 12:1-2

Lord, I surrender myself fully to You during this fast. Purify my motives, renew my mind, and align my desires with Your will.

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## 3. Prayer for Spiritual Sensitivity

**Scripture:** John 16:13

Holy Spirit, sharpen my discernment and teach me to recognize Your voice clearly throughout this journey.

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## 4. Prayer for Humility

**Scripture:** Proverbs 11:2

Father, remove pride, self-reliance, and defensiveness from my heart. Teach me humility and teachability.

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## 5. Prayer for Endurance

**Scripture:** Galatians 6:9

Strengthen me to remain faithful throughout this fast. Help me not to grow weary spiritually, emotionally, or mentally.

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## 6. Prayer for Women in Leadership

**Scripture:** Esther 4:14

Lord, strengthen women serving in ministry, leadership, business, family, and community responsibilities. Give us grace, wisdom, and endurance for every assignment.

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## 7. Prayer for Alignment

**Scripture:** Proverbs 3:5-6

Father, reorder my priorities, align my steps, and establish me firmly in Your wisdom throughout this season.

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# Declarations

## 1.

I will walk in wisdom and not lean on my own understanding.

**Proverbs 3:5-6**

2.

God is forming my character alongside my calling.

**Romans 8:29**

3.

I will be teachable, humble, and spiritually discerning.

**James 3:17**

4.

The Holy Spirit is guiding me into truth and wisdom daily.

**John 16:13**

5.

This fast will produce lasting fruit in my life and leadership.

**John 15:5**

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## Closing Prayer

Father, as I begin this 21 day journey, I place myself willingly into Your hands.

Consecrate my heart.

Renew my mind.

Purify my motives.

Sharpen my discernment.

Teach me wisdom.

Help me not merely to complete a fast outwardly, but to experience transformation inwardly.

May this journey produce humility, maturity, faithfulness, endurance, and deeper intimacy with You.

I commit these 21 days into Your hands.  
Lead me, sustain me, and form me according to Your will.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

— Gloria Ngwendson

## Day 2

### Humility

#### Proverbs 27:1-2

*“Do not boast about tomorrow,  
For you do not know what a day may bring forth.  
Let another man praise you, and not your own mouth...”*  
— Proverbs 27:1-2 (NKJV)

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### Morning Devo

Boasting about tomorrow is not just speech; it is a posture of the heart.

It reveals where our confidence truly lies. It is not merely what we say; it is where our hearts dwell.

Pride is common to humanity; we all struggle with it in different measures. And too often, we move ahead in our own plans instead of depending fully on God.

Today's Scripture reminds us:

“Let another praise you, and not your own mouth.”

One of the subtle struggles in leadership is the desire to be seen, acknowledged, validated, or affirmed. Yet wisdom teaches us not to strive for visibility or self-promotion.

Today, we release the need to strive, which is often the source of many anxieties and insecurities. When we can genuinely praise others, celebrate others, and applaud another woman's growth without our flesh feeling threatened, God is glorified.

After all, God is the source of every good thing. In due season, He knows how to lift, establish, and promote according to His will.

Humility is not thinking less of yourself; it is learning to think of yourself rightly before God.

As women in leadership, humility protects us from comparison, self-exaltation, and unnecessary striving. It keeps our hearts surrendered and our motives pure.

Sometimes God intentionally develops us in hidden places before entrusting us with visible influence. Hidden seasons are not punishment; they are preparation.

This journey through Proverbs 27 begins here because wisdom cannot grow where pride remains unchallenged.

Today, we release the need to be seen and choose humility instead.

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## Selah Pause

*"No matter how high God lifts you, remain humble."*

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# Prayer Topics

## 1. Prayer for Humility

**Scripture:** James 4:10

Father, teach me humility and help me walk in complete dependence on You.

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## 2. Prayer Against Pride

**Scripture:** Proverbs 16:18

Lord, expose every hidden area of pride, self-exaltation, and striving within me.

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## 3. Prayer for Pure Motives

**Scripture:** Psalm 51:10

Create in me a clean heart and purify my intentions in leadership and service.

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## 4. Prayer for Trust in God's Timing

**Scripture:** Ecclesiastes 3:11

Help me trust Your process, timing, and promotion for my life.

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## 5. Prayer Against Comparison

**Scripture:** Galatians 6:4

Deliver me from comparison, insecurity, and competition.

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## 6. Prayer for Contentment in Hidden Seasons

**Scripture:** Matthew 6:6

Teach me to remain faithful even when unseen or unnoticed.

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## 7. Prayer for Wisdom in Leadership

**Scripture:** Proverbs 11:2

Lord, let humility and wisdom govern my leadership and relationships.

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### Declarations

1.

I choose humility over striving.

**James 4:10**

2.

My identity is secure in God and not in visibility.

**Galatians 2:20**

3.

God's timing for my life is good and purposeful.

**Ecclesiastes 3:11**

4.

I will celebrate others without insecurity or comparison.

**Romans 12:15**

5.

Wisdom and humility will guide my leadership journey.

**Proverbs 11:2**

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# Growth Chart

Humility

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## Closing Prayer

Lord, we trust Your timing, and we rest in Your will.

Teach us humility in both hidden and visible seasons.  
Help us to release striving, comparison, and self-promotion.

May our hearts remain surrendered, teachable, and secure in You.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

— Gloria Ngwendson

## Day 3

### Healing

#### Proverbs 27:3-4

*“A stone is heavy and sand is weighty,  
But a fool's wrath is heavier than both of them.”*  
— Proverbs 27:3-4 (NKJV)

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### Morning Devo

Today, we focus on *Healing*.

Scripture says a stone is heavy and sand is weighty, but a heart carried by anger, jealousy, insecurity, or unresolved pain is heavier still.

Many times, what we struggle with in relationships is not always the other person; it is what we are carrying within.

When the heart is wounded, comparison increases and insecurity grows. What should be celebration begins to feel like competition.

But wisdom calls us higher.

Security in God allows us to applaud others without intimidation. It allows us to celebrate another woman's growth, influence, and fruit without feeling diminished.

The truth is this:

another person's elevation does not reduce your assignment.

When our identity is anchored in God, we are no longer competing; we are contributing.

I often challenge myself to ask how I can help another woman succeed. And when my heart reveals negativity, insecurity, or comparison, I intentionally choose to speak or act contrary to what my flesh desires as a way of guarding my heart. I do not always succeed perfectly, but I remain a work in progress.

Today, God is inviting us to examine our hearts, not to condemn us, but to heal us.

Because a healed heart can celebrate freely.

A secure heart gives freely because it knows God is its source.

Elizabeth celebrated Mary.

John the Baptist rejoiced in Jesus.

They understood that honoring another person's assignment did not diminish their own.

As women in leadership, this is important to remember.

We are not all called to the same platforms, assignments, or visibility. Scripture itself shows us that while there were many prophets, leaders, and servants, not everyone carried the same public assignment.

And yet every role mattered.

One of the great deceptions of this generation is the constant pursuit of attention and visibility. But if many truly understood the weight carried by those in visible positions, they might not desire it so quickly.

Healing allows us to love without competition, support without insecurity, and celebrate without hidden resentment.

We began this journey with humility.  
Now, we continue through healing.

Be healed, in Jesus' name.

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## Selah Pause

*“A secure heart gives freely—it knows God is its source.”*

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# Prayer Topics

## 1. Prayer for Inner Healing

**Scripture:** Psalm 147:3

Father, heal every wounded, insecure, and broken place within my heart.

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## 2. Prayer Against Comparison

**Scripture:** Galatians 6:4

Lord, deliver me from unhealthy comparison and silent competition.

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### 3. Prayer for Emotional Wholeness

**Scripture:** 2 Timothy 1:7

Help me walk in emotional stability, love, and a sound mind.

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### 4. Prayer for Secure Identity

**Scripture:** Ephesians 1:4–5

Teach me to find my identity and value in You alone.

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### 5. Prayer for Pure Relationships

**Scripture:** Romans 12:10

Help me genuinely honor, celebrate, and support others with sincerity.

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### 6. Prayer Against Jealousy and Resentment

**Scripture:** James 3:16

Remove envy, bitterness, and hidden offense from my heart.

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### 7. Prayer for Freedom in Leadership

**Scripture:** John 8:36

Father, free me from every emotional burden that hinders healthy leadership.

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# Declarations

1.

I am secure in God's purpose for my life.

**Jeremiah 29:11**

2.

Another person's success does not diminish my assignment.

**Romans 12:15**

3.

God is healing every wounded place within me.

**Psalms 147:3**

4.

I choose love, honor, and unity over comparison and competition.

**Romans 12:10**

5.

My heart is rooted in God and not in human validation.

**Colossians 3:2**

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# Growth Chart

Humility → Healing

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# Closing Prayer

Lord, search my heart and heal every hidden wound.

Deliver me from comparison, insecurity, jealousy, and silent competition.  
Teach me to celebrate others with a pure and secure heart.

Anchor my identity deeply in You and help me walk in freedom, wholeness,  
and love.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

— Gloria Ngwendson

## Day 4

### Helping

#### Proverbs 27:5-6

*“Open rebuke is better  
Than love carefully concealed.  
Faithful are the wounds of a friend...”*  
— Proverbs 27:5-6 (NKJV)

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### Morning Devo

Today, we focus on *Helping* through correction, honesty, and growth.

Correction is one of the greatest gifts God gives His people. Scripture teaches us that He corrects those He loves. Yet correction is also one of the most resisted parts of spiritual growth.

Many desire growth, but few are willing to be corrected.

Why?

Because correction touches the heart, the ego, and the image we have built of ourselves.

True love is willing to correct even when it is uncomfortable.

Hidden love is not love at all.

We live in a time where many would rather avoid difficult conversations in order to escape emotional tension, misunderstanding, discomfort, or relational strain. Sometimes people withdraw rather than remain present enough to lovingly speak truth.

But when correction is withheld:

growth is delayed,  
errors are repeated,  
leaders remain unhealed in critical areas,  
and communities are robbed of healthier leadership.

If we are to grow in wisdom, we must learn to:

receive correction without offense,  
discern correction without defensiveness,  
and apply correction without unnecessary delay.

Correction is not rejection.

It is direction.

Correction is not against you.

It is often God's mercy working for your growth.

As leaders, one of the most dangerous places we can arrive at is believing we are beyond accountability, instruction, or adjustment.

A leader who cannot be corrected cannot be trusted to lead.

And this applies not only spiritually, but emotionally and relationally as well.

Correction exposes blind spots.

It reveals patterns.

It refines character.

And sometimes it uncovers wounds we did not realize were still influencing us.

If we are humble enough to receive it, correction can become one of the greatest instruments of transformation in our lives.

As we journey through Proverbs 27, notice the path we are tracing:

Humility gave us the posture to receive.

Healing began restoring the heart.

Now Helping becomes possible because healthy people are able to guide others well.

We cannot effectively help others while resisting the very growth God is trying to produce within us.

Helping flows best from healed and teachable people.

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## Selah Pause

*“Faithful correction may be painful to receive, but it is sweeter than silence that leaves you unchanged.”*

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# Prayer Topics

## 1. Prayer for a Teachable Spirit

**Scripture:** Proverbs 9:9

Father, make me teachable, humble, and willing to receive correction.

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## 2. Prayer Against Pride and Defensiveness

**Scripture:** Proverbs 16:18

Remove pride, resistance, and defensiveness from my heart.

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## 3. Prayer for Wise Counsel

**Scripture:** Proverbs 11:14

Surround me with wise and honest voices that will help me grow.

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## 4. Prayer for Emotional Maturity

**Scripture:** James 1:19

Teach me to respond to correction with wisdom and maturity.

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## 5. Prayer for Healing Through Correction

**Scripture:** Hebrews 12:11

Help me recognize Your love even in seasons of discipline and refinement.

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## 6. Prayer for Accountability

**Scripture:** Ecclesiastes 4:9–10

Lord, establish healthy accountability and covenant relationships in my life.

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## 7. Prayer to Help Others Wisely

**Scripture:** Galatians 6:1

Teach me to correct, guide, and help others with gentleness and wisdom.

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### Declarations

1.

I am teachable and open to godly correction.

**Proverbs 9:9**

2.

Correction is producing wisdom and maturity within me.

**Hebrews 12:11**

3.

I will not resist the growth God is working in my life.

**Philippians 1:6**

4.

God is surrounding me with wise and trustworthy counsel.

**Proverbs 11:14**

5.

I will help others from a place of healing, wisdom, and humility.

**Galatians 6:1**

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# Growth Chart

Humility → Healing → Helping

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## Closing Prayer

Father, give me the humility to receive correction without offense.

Remove pride, defensiveness, and resistance from my heart.  
Help me see correction as Your love at work within me.

Heal every area where growth is still needed and make me a wiser vessel for Your use.

And as You heal and mature me, help me guide and strengthen others with gentleness, truth, and wisdom.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

— Gloria Ngwendson

## Day 5

### Hunger

#### Proverbs 27:7-8

*“A satisfied soul loathes the honeycomb,  
But to a hungry soul every bitter thing is sweet.  
Like a bird that wanders from its nest  
Is a man who wanders from his place.”*

— Proverbs 27:7-8 (NKJV)

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## Morning Devo

Today, we focus on *Hunger, Appetite, and Direction*.

One of the great challenges of our generation, especially in the age of advanced technology and constant stimulation, is shortened attention spans, impatience, restlessness, and increasing forms of addiction and distraction.

As a healthcare professional, I have observed the rise of attention struggles, mood disorders, emotional fatigue, stress-related conditions, and unhealthy dependency patterns. And many of these same tendencies quietly affect our spiritual lives as well.

We become impatient.

Easily distracted.

Quickly dissatisfied.

Always searching for the next thing, the next experience, or the next emotional “high.”

But wisdom calls us back to something deeper.

Scripture reminds us that appetite alone is not a reliable guide.

Paul captures this struggle beautifully in Romans 7:15–19. He describes the tension between desire and discipline, wanting to do what is right while simultaneously wrestling with the weakness of the flesh.

This is why we cannot rely solely on feelings to direct our lives spiritually.

Not every feeling is instruction.

Not every emotional shift is direction.

And not every sense of dissatisfaction means God is calling us to move.

Sometimes restlessness is information that requires prayer, reflection, accountability, and discernment.

We must ask ourselves honestly:

Am I being led by the Spirit, or driven by my emotions?

That dissatisfaction may be real, but wisdom teaches us to bring it before God and submit it to truth, wise counsel, and spiritual structure.

The foundational structures that sustain our faith are essential:

prayer,  
discipline,  
accountability,  
sound doctrine,  
spiritual authority,  
wise counsel,  
and consistent devotion to God.

These are not restrictions.  
They are protections.

The voice you refuse to submit to when life is stable may become the same voice you struggle to trust when pressure arrives.

Structure guards us from drifting.  
It anchors us when emotions become unstable.  
And it preserves direction during seasons of uncertainty.

As women in leadership, many of us carry enormous responsibility while quietly navigating emotional fatigue, transition, and pressure. This is why spiritual discipline matters so deeply.

Because sometimes what we are calling a need for change is actually a need for renewal.

Wisdom teaches us that:  
what you hunger for shapes your direction,  
but what you commit to sustains your destiny.

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## Selah Pause

*“You cannot build a stable life on unstable appetites.”*

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## Prayer Topics

### 1. Prayer for Spiritual Hunger

**Scripture:** Matthew 5:6

Father, increase my hunger for Your presence, truth, and righteousness.

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### 2. Prayer Against Distraction

**Scripture:** Luke 10:41–42

Help me resist unnecessary distractions and remain focused on what matters spiritually.

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### 3. Prayer for Discipline

**Scripture:** 1 Corinthians 9:27

Teach me self-control, consistency, and discipline in my spiritual life.

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### 4. Prayer for Discernment

**Scripture:** Philippians 1:9–10

Help me discern between emotional impulses and Your true leading.

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## 5. Prayer for Stability

**Scripture:** Colossians 2:7

Establish me firmly in Your Word and keep me grounded spiritually.

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## 6. Prayer for Wise Counsel

**Scripture:** Proverbs 15:22

Surround me with wise voices that help preserve my direction and growth.

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## 7. Prayer for Renewal

**Scripture:** Isaiah 40:31

Renew my strength, my focus, and my spiritual passion for You.

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# Declarations

1.

My hunger will be directed toward God and not toward unstable desires.

**Matthew 5:6**

2.

I will not be led by emotions alone but by the Spirit of God.

**Romans 8:14**

3.

God is establishing stability and discipline within me.

**Colossians 2:7**

4.

My mind is being renewed and sharpened daily through God's Word.

**Romans 12:2**

5.

What I commit to in wisdom will sustain my destiny.

**Galatians 6:9**

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## Growth Chart

Humility → Healing → Helping → Hunger

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## Closing Prayer

Father, renew my hunger for You.

Help me not to be led by emotions, impulses, or instability, but by Your Spirit and Your truth.

Give me discipline where I have been distracted, wisdom where I have been restless, and clarity where I have been uncertain.

Anchor my life in Your Word and establish me firmly in Your wisdom.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

— Gloria Ngwendson

# Day 6

## Harmony

### Proverbs 27:9-10

*“Ointment and perfume delight the heart,  
And the sweetness of a man’s friend gives delight by hearty counsel.”  
— Proverbs 27:9 (NKJV)*

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## Morning Devo

Today, we focus on *Harmony*.

Women’s ministry can be challenging from many fronts, but it is also deeply rewarding. There is something powerful that happens when women come together with the right heart.

Women thrive when they bond, strengthen one another, and labor together in unity.

Scripture tells us that “the sweetness of a friend gives delight by hearty counsel.” There is a fragrance that comes from godly relationships:  
something life-giving,  
something strengthening,  
something healing.

Covenant relationships and walking in harmony are especially valuable in women’s ministry. These are not merely casual friendships; they are Kingdom relationships that sustain us through seasons of pressure, transition, leadership, and growth.

Women's ministry is no longer in its infancy, yet even now, there are still relatively few women in leadership spaces compared to the many responsibilities women carry.

Even in Jesus' ministry, women played significant roles in supporting, serving, and walking faithfully alongside Him.

Today, we are blessed to stand on the shoulders of women who labored faithfully before us:

women like Maria Woodworth-Etter, Aimee Semple McPherson, and Kathryn Kuhlman.

But wisdom teaches us that we must also intentionally build healthy, lasting relationships among ourselves.

Our strength is often found in unity, support, and covenant loyalty.

There is so much a woman in leadership quietly carries and contends with spiritually, emotionally, relationally, and practically. Let us not add unnecessarily to one another's burdens.

Be a friendly voice.

Be a steady presence.

Be a safe place.

Sometimes ministry is as simple as fixing your sister's hat or quietly reminding another woman:

"I see you."

As women in leadership, we must actively pursue loving and healthy covenant relationships.

Nobody rises alone.

There are no lone rangers in the Kingdom of God.

A Kingdom woman is not competing:

not with men,

not with women,

not for platforms,  
not for visibility.

We are co-laborers.  
We strengthen one another.  
We complement one another.

This is harmony.

And harmony is not automatic.  
It must be cultivated intentionally.

Scripture admonishes us to:  
“endeavor to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace” (Ephesians 4:3).

If we pursue this sincerely, harmony will follow.

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## Selah Pause

*“Be the woman who fixes another woman’s crown without announcing it.”*

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# Prayer Topics

## 1. Prayer for Unity Among Women Leaders

**Scripture:** Ephesians 4:3

Father, help us walk in unity, peace, and mutual support within the Body of Christ.

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## 2. Prayer for Covenant Relationships

**Scripture:** Proverbs 17:17

Lord, establish healthy and trustworthy covenant relationships in my life.

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### 3. Prayer Against Competition and Jealousy

**Scripture:** James 3:16

Remove comparison, insecurity, envy, and rivalry from our hearts.

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### 4. Prayer for Encouragement and Support

**Scripture:** Hebrews 10:24–25

Teach me to strengthen, encourage, and uplift others faithfully.

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### 5. Prayer for Wisdom in Relationships

**Scripture:** Proverbs 13:20

Surround me with wise relationships that sharpen and strengthen my walk with God.

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### 6. Prayer for Healing in Community

**Scripture:** Colossians 3:13

Bring healing to wounded relationships and restore unity where division exists.

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### 7. Prayer for Love and Compassion

**Scripture:** John 13:35

Help me reflect Christ through love, kindness, humility, and sincerity.

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## Declarations

1.

I will walk in unity and peace with others.

**Ephesians 4:3**

2.

God is surrounding me with wise and healthy relationships.

**Proverbs 13:20**

3.

I choose encouragement over competition.

**Romans 12:10**

4.

I will strengthen others and not tear them down.

**1 Thessalonians 5:11**

5.

Harmony and love will mark my relationships and leadership.

**Colossians 3:14**

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# Growth Chart

Humility → Healing → Helping → Hunger → Harmony

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## Closing Prayer

Father, thank You for the gift of godly relationships.

Teach me to walk in love, unity, humility, and sincerity with the women You have placed around me.

Help me to strengthen, support, and honor others well.

Let my life reflect harmony, wisdom, and peace within Your Kingdom.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

— Gloria Ngwendson

## Day 7

### Heed

#### Proverbs 27:11-12

*“A prudent man foresees evil and hides himself;  
The simple pass on and are punished.”*

— Proverbs 27:12 (NKJV)

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### Morning Devo

Today, we focus on *Discernment, Foresight, and the ability to Heed.*

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There is a quiet maturity that begins to develop in a person's life when they learn not just to see, but to respond wisely to what they see.

Scripture tells us that the prudent person sees danger and takes refuge, while the simple continue on and suffer for it.

I believe life often gives us signals before it gives us consequences.

These signals may come as:

1. gentle promptings,
2. repeated patterns,
3. checks in our spirit,
4. emotional unrest,
5. unhealthy cycles,
6. or situations that quietly reveal misalignment.

And many times, we see the signals... but we do not heed them.

Discernment is not suspicion.

It is not fear.

It is not paranoia or overthinking.

Discernment is spiritual attentiveness.

It is the quiet ability to recognize when something needs attention, adjustment, wisdom, or caution even when everything appears normal outwardly.

For many women in ministry and leadership, the challenge is often not a lack of discernment.

The challenge is overriding it.

We explain things away.

We delay responding.

We suppress concerns.

We continue pushing forward while ignoring what wisdom is trying to reveal.

Over time, what could have been addressed early becomes something much heavier to recover from later.

Wisdom teaches us to pause, pay attention, and respond appropriately.

That is where we learn to heed.

Heeding is not reacting emotionally or impulsively.  
It is responding wisely.

It is choosing obedience over convenience.  
It is making small adjustments before major correction becomes necessary.

In many areas of healthcare, diagnosis often begins during history-taking and observation long before major intervention becomes necessary. Most breakdowns do not happen suddenly.

Emotional exhaustion,  
blurred boundaries,  
spiritual fatigue,  
misaligned priorities,  
and unhealthy relational dynamics often develop gradually when signals are ignored repeatedly.

As leaders, wisdom requires attentiveness.

And yet, even while walking in discernment, we are not led by fear.

We do not anticipate danger anxiously.  
We walk in wisdom confidently.

We trust God while responsibly stewarding what He reveals to us.

Because wisdom is not merely proven by what we discern.  
Wisdom is proven by how we respond.

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## Selah Pause

*“Discernment shows you what is ahead; heeding determines your path.”*

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# Prayer Topics

## 1. Prayer for Discernment

**Scripture:** Philippians 1:9–10

Father, sharpen my discernment and help me recognize what requires wisdom and attention.

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## 2. Prayer for Obedience

**Scripture:** James 1:22

Teach me not only to hear wisdom, but to respond and obey promptly.

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## 3. Prayer Against Ignoring Warning Signs

**Scripture:** Proverbs 22:3

Help me not to ignore the signals You are revealing in my life.

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## 4. Prayer for Emotional Wisdom

**Scripture:** Proverbs 14:29

Give me wisdom to manage my emotions and respond maturely under pressure.

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## 5. Prayer for Spiritual Attentiveness

**Scripture:** Isaiah 30:21

Help me recognize Your voice and leading clearly.

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## 6. Prayer for Healthy Boundaries and Priorities

**Scripture:** Ecclesiastes 3:1

Teach me proper timing, priorities, and wise responses in every season.

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## 7. Prayer for Preservation

**Scripture:** Psalm 121:7–8

Lord, preserve my life, leadership, relationships, and spiritual walk through wisdom and discernment.

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# Declarations

1.

I will walk in discernment and wisdom daily.

**Philippians 1:9–10**

2.

I will not ignore what God is revealing to me.

**Proverbs 22:3**

3.

The Holy Spirit is guiding my decisions and responses.

**Isaiah 30:21**

4.

I choose wisdom over impulsive reactions.

**James 1:19**

5.

God is preserving my path through discernment and obedience.

**Psalms 121:7-8**

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## Growth Chart

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## Closing Prayer

Father, help me walk in discernment and wisdom.

Teach me to recognize Your promptings and respond with humility and obedience.

Give me grace to pause, listen, observe, and heed what You are revealing.

Preserve my life, leadership, relationships, and calling as I follow Your direction.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

— Gloria Ngwendson

# Selah Reflection

## Wisdom of the Heart

This week, Proverbs 27 has invited us inward.

We began with humility, learning to release striving and trust God with elevation. We confronted wounded places in the heart, examined how insecurity affects relationships, and learned that correction is not rejection but an invitation to growth.

We reflected on hunger, appetite, and the importance of spiritual structure. We considered the beauty of harmony and covenant relationships. And finally, we learned that discernment is not enough; wisdom is revealed in our willingness to heed what God shows us.

We are on a path of growth and that often begins quietly.

Before God entrusts greater influence outwardly, He forms stability inwardly.

This week brought us into awareness:  
awareness of the heart,  
the appetite,  
the relationships,  
the patterns,  
and the responses shaping our lives.

Take time today to pause and reflect.

What is God revealing in you?  
What patterns need adjustment?  
What wisdom must you carry intentionally into the next season?

Because wisdom is not rushed.

It is formed slowly through humility, reflection, obedience, and surrender.

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# Prayer Topics

## 1. Prayer for Continued Humility

**Scripture:** James 4:10

Father, keep my heart humble and surrendered before You.

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## 2. Prayer for Healing and Wholeness

**Scripture:** Psalm 147:3

Heal every wounded place within me and restore emotional stability.

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## 3. Prayer for Wisdom and Discernment

**Scripture:** James 1:5

Lord, continue to give me wisdom for every area of leadership and life.

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## 4. Prayer for Spiritual Stability

**Scripture:** Colossians 2:7

Root and establish me deeply in truth and spiritual maturity.

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## 5. Prayer for Healthy Relationships

**Scripture:** Ephesians 4:3

Teach me to walk in unity, love, and covenant relationships.

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## 6. Prayer for Obedience

**Scripture:** James 1:22

Help me not merely hear wisdom, but apply it faithfully.

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## 7. Prayer for Inner Transformation

**Scripture:** Romans 12:2

Renew my mind and transform my heart through Your Word.

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# Declarations

1.

God is forming wisdom and stability within me.

**James 1:5**

2.

I am growing in humility, healing, and discernment.

**Colossians 2:7**

3.

I will not resist the growth God is producing in me.

**Philippians 1:6**

4.

My heart is being transformed through surrender and obedience.

**Romans 12:2**

5.

Wisdom is shaping both my character and leadership.

**Proverbs 4:7**

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## Growth Chart

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## Sunday Prayer

Father, thank You for every lesson You are teaching me through this journey.

Help me not merely to hear wisdom, but to live it.

Continue forming my heart, renewing my mind, and establishing my steps in truth.

Give me grace to grow steadily, deeply, and sincerely before You.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

— Gloria Ngwendson

## Day 8

### Healthy Boundaries

## Proverbs 27:13

*“Take the garment of one who is surety for a stranger,  
And hold it in pledge when taken for a seductress.”*  
— Proverbs 27:13 (NKJV)

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### Morning Devo

Today, we focus on *Healthy Boundaries, Guarding Entanglements, and Risk Exposure*.

Proverbs 27:13 warns against taking responsibility for what does not belong to you. While the Scripture speaks in financial language, the principle reaches much further into leadership, relationships, emotions, and stewardship.

Entanglements are not always financial.  
Sometimes they are:

1. emotional,
2. relational,
3. administrative,
4. spiritual,
5. or mental.

And often, they begin with good intentions.

They begin with compassion, concern, loyalty, empathy, or the sincere desire to help someone.

But over time, what began as assistance can slowly become a weight we were never assigned to carry.

Hear this clearly:

Not every crisis is a calling.  
Not every need is an assignment.

Scripture teaches us to bear one another's burdens, yet it also teaches personal responsibility. Wisdom discerns the difference.

For many women in ministry and leadership, this is a quiet but significant challenge.

Because we care deeply, we often carry deeply.

We step into situations where we were not sent.  
We absorb burdens God never assigned to us.  
And eventually, the weight begins to show:

emotional exhaustion,  
frustration,  
fatigue,  
confusion,  
resentment,  
and loss of clarity.

Godly leadership requires boundaries.

To take on what God has not assigned is not always sacrificial.  
Sometimes it is presumptuous.

Wisdom pauses and asks:  
"Lord, is this mine to carry?"

Boundaries are not cruelty.  
They are stewardship.

Even Jesus withdrew from crowds, rested, prayed, and maintained clarity concerning His assignment. He did not respond to every demand equally because He understood divine priority and timing.

As women in leadership, we must learn the difference between compassion and unhealthy overextension.

You cannot pour effectively from an exhausted soul.

And if we are not careful, constant overextension can eventually weaken the very areas God genuinely assigned us to steward faithfully.

This is why wisdom teaches restraint, discernment, and clarity.

Because what you carry without assignment will eventually cost you clarity.

As we continue this journey, let this move beyond inspiration into practical application. Let wisdom become visible in how we lead, serve, rest, respond, and discern.

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## Selah Pause

*“Not every crisis is a calling.  
Not every need is an assignment.”*

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# Prayer Topics

## 1. Prayer for Discernment in Leadership

**Scripture:** James 1:5

Father, give me wisdom to discern what You have truly assigned to me.

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## 2. Prayer for Healthy Boundaries

**Scripture:** Proverbs 4:23

Teach me to guard my heart, time, energy, and responsibilities wisely.

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## 3. Prayer Against Overextension

**Scripture:** Matthew 11:28–30

Help me not to carry burdens You never intended for me to bear.

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## 4. Prayer for Clarity of Assignment

**Scripture:** Habakkuk 2:2

Lord, clarify my priorities and help me remain focused on my true assignment.

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## 5. Prayer for Emotional Wisdom

**Scripture:** Ecclesiastes 3:1

Give me wisdom to know when to engage, pause, release, or step back.

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## 6. Prayer for Rest and Renewal

**Scripture:** Mark 6:31

Teach me healthy rhythms of rest, renewal, and sustainability.

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## 7. Prayer for Freedom from People-Pleasing

**Scripture:** Galatians 1:10

Deliver me from the pressure to please everyone at the expense of obedience to You.

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# Declarations

1.

I will carry only what God has assigned to me.

**Matthew 11:28-30**

2.

Wisdom is teaching me healthy boundaries and clarity.

**James 1:5**

3.

I am free from unhealthy overextension and emotional exhaustion.

**Galatians 5:1**

4.

God is giving me discernment concerning relationships and responsibilities.

**Ecclesiastes 3:1**

5.

I will steward my energy, time, and calling wisely.

**Proverbs 4:23**

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## Growth Chart

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Healthy Boundaries

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## Closing Prayer

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Father, give me wisdom to discern what You have assigned to me.

Help me love others without overstepping healthy boundaries.

Teach me to release what is not mine to carry and remain faithful to what You have truly entrusted to me.

Preserve my clarity, my peace, and my strength as I walk in wisdom and obedience.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

— Gloria Ngwendson

## Day 9

### Healthy Communication

#### Proverbs 27:14

*“He who blesses his friend with a loud voice, rising early in the morning, It will be counted a curse to him.”*

— Proverbs 27:14 (NKJV)

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### Morning Devo

Today, we focus on *The Tone of a Leader's Voice*.

Proverbs 27:14 gives us a simple picture, yet a profound truth: a blessing spoken at the wrong time or in the wrong manner can feel like a burden.

The issue is not always what is said, but how and when it is said.

As leaders, many of us genuinely desire to help, guide, correct, encourage, or contribute positively. Yet wisdom teaches us that timing, tone, atmosphere, and delivery matter deeply.

Let us bring this closer to home:  
marriage.

Marriage is often one of the first places where our tone is revealed honestly.

Two people who love one another and are meant to strengthen each other can still wound each other deeply simply through tone, timing, and emotional tension.

In counseling and relational wisdom, we often recognize that certain emotional states create fertile ground for unnecessary conflict:

exhaustion,  
stress,  
hunger,  
frustration,  
disappointment,  
emotional overload.

These conditions quietly shape how we speak.

You may be correct in your words yet wrong in your delivery.  
You may have good intentions but poor timing.

And what was meant to help may instead wound, overwhelm, embarrass, or discourage.

This applies far beyond marriage.

As leaders, ministers, parents, mentors, and professionals, our words carry weight.

People do not only hear our words.  
They feel them.

Scripture repeatedly calls us to speak with grace, wisdom, gentleness, and discernment.

Mature communication requires more than honesty.  
It requires wisdom.

Sometimes we excuse harshness by saying:  
“That’s just how I speak,”  
or  
“I simply speak my mind.”

But sincerity alone does not equal wisdom.

We can be sincerely wrong while unintentionally damaging others emotionally.

This journey through Proverbs 27 is helping expose the “little foxes” that quietly spoil relationships, leadership, communication, and trust.

Wisdom teaches us to pause before speaking.

Is this the right time?  
Is this the right setting?  
Should this be private or public?  
Will my words build or merely release frustration?

Scripture gives us a beautiful example in Apollos. Though eloquent and gifted, he still required correction and greater understanding. Yet Priscilla and Aquila handled it wisely and privately.

That was wisdom.

Because the right word, spoken the wrong way, can still wound.

But the right word, spoken with wisdom, can bring healing, growth, and life.

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## Selah Pause

*“Tone can turn a blessing into a burden.”*

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# Prayer Topics

## 1. Prayer for Wisdom in Speech

**Scripture:** Proverbs 15:1

Father, teach me to speak with gentleness, wisdom, and grace.

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## 2. Prayer for Emotional Control

**Scripture:** James 1:19

Help me become slow to speak, slow to anger, and quick to listen.

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## 3. Prayer for Healthy Communication in Relationships

**Scripture:** Ephesians 4:29

Let my words build others up rather than tear them down.

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## 4. Prayer for Discernment in Timing

**Scripture:** Ecclesiastes 3:7

Teach me proper timing and wisdom in difficult conversations.

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## 5. Prayer for Healing Through Words

**Scripture:** Proverbs 12:18

Use my words to bring healing, encouragement, and peace.

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## 6. Prayer Against Harshness and Impatience

**Scripture:** Colossians 4:6

Remove harshness, frustration, and careless speech from my life.

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## 7. Prayer for Leadership Communication

**Scripture:** Proverbs 16:24

Help me communicate truth with maturity, compassion, and wisdom.

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# Declarations

1.

My words will bring life, wisdom, and healing.

**Proverbs 16:24**

2.

I will communicate with grace and discernment.

**Colossians 4:6**

3.

God is teaching me wisdom in timing and tone.

**Ecclesiastes 3:7**

4.

I will not allow emotions to govern my speech.

**James 1:19**

5.

My communication will strengthen relationships and leadership.

**Ephesians 4:29**

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## Growth Chart

Humility → Healing → Helping → Hunger → Harmony → Heed →  
Healthy Boundaries → Healthy Communication

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## Closing Prayer

Father, help me guard both my words and my tone.

Teach me to speak with wisdom, gentleness, maturity, and grace.  
Give me discernment concerning timing, atmosphere, and delivery.

Let my words bring healing, clarity, encouragement, and peace to those  
around me.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

— Gloria Ngwendson

## Day 10

## Holy Restraint

## Proverbs 27:15–16

“A continual dripping on a very rainy day  
And a contentious woman are alike...”  
— Proverbs 27:15 (NKJV)

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### Morning Devo

Yesterday, we talked about tone. Today, we continue by focusing on *relational tension, emotional maturity, and Holy Restraint*.

These Proverbs are deeply honest.

Scripture compares contentiousness to a continual dripping:  
constant,  
steady,  
persistent,  
and exhausting.

Most of us can imagine the frustration of an endless dripping sound. Over time, even something small can become emotionally draining because of its constancy.

Relationships can experience the same tension.

For many women balancing leadership, ministry, marriage, motherhood, work, emotional labor, and spiritual responsibility, exhaustion quietly affects:

patience,  
reactions,  
communication,  
and emotional regulation.

And if we are not careful, tension can gradually become our atmosphere.

But wisdom calls us higher.

Not toward suppression.  
Not toward pretending everything is fine.  
And not toward emotional denial.

Wisdom calls us toward *Holy Restraint*.

Holy Restraint is the ability to:

pause before reacting,  
process before speaking,  
pray before responding,  
and allow wisdom to govern emotions.

A mature leader does not respond immediately to every feeling.

She learns to slow down long enough for wisdom to lead her response.

Relational tension is not always caused by another person.

Sometimes repeated conflict reveals something deeper within us:

unhealed wounds,  
unmanaged stress,  
emotional fatigue,  
disappointment,  
frustration,  
or burdens we have not properly surrendered to God.

Sometimes what we call:

“being strong”  
is actually irritation.

And sometimes what we call:

“being honest”  
is impatience.

Wisdom invites us inward honestly.

Not to condemn ourselves, but to examine ourselves.

Scripture tells us to be:

“quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath” (James 1:19).

That requires maturity.

That is Holy Restraint.

Because restraint is not weakness.

In fact, it often takes more strength to restrain than to release.

It takes more strength to govern emotions than to surrender to them impulsively.

As women in leadership, Holy Restraint protects:

relationships,  
leadership,  
influence,  
homes,  
ministries,  
and emotional stability.

Not every emotion deserves expression in its raw form.

Wisdom teaches us to process emotions through prayer, maturity, discernment, and surrender before releasing them carelessly onto others.

Restraint is a leadership strength.

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## Selah Pause

*“Restraint is a leadership strength.”*

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# Prayer Topics

## 1. Prayer for Emotional Maturity

**Scripture:** James 1:19

Father, teach me to become slow to anger, wise in speech, and mature in emotional responses.

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## 2. Prayer for Holy Restraint

**Scripture:** Proverbs 25:28

Help me govern my emotions and reactions through wisdom and self-control.

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## 3. Prayer for Healing from Internal Unrest

**Scripture:** Psalm 51:10

Heal hidden frustrations, emotional wounds, and inner unrest within me.

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## 4. Prayer for Peace in Relationships

**Scripture:** Romans 12:18

Help me pursue peace and healthy relationships wherever possible.

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## 5. Prayer Against Irritation and Strife

**Scripture:** Proverbs 15:1

Guard my heart and mouth from unnecessary strife and contention.

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## 6. Prayer for Wisdom in Leadership

**Scripture:** Colossians 4:6

Teach me to lead and communicate with grace, patience, and wisdom.

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## 7. Prayer for Inner Stability

**Scripture:** Isaiah 26:3

Establish emotional stability and peace within my heart and mind.

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# Declarations

1.

I will respond with wisdom and not react impulsively.

**James 1:19**

2.

God is teaching me emotional maturity and restraint.

**Proverbs 25:28**

3.

Peace and wisdom will govern my relationships.

**Romans 12:18**

4.

I choose patience, gentleness, and stability.

**Galatians 5:22-23**

5.

Holy Restraint is strengthening my leadership and character.

**Isaiah 26:3**

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## Growth Chart

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Healthy Boundaries → Healthy Communication → Holy Restraint

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## Closing Prayer

Father, help me lead from a place of maturity and peace.

Heal every area of internal unrest and teach me Holy Restraint.  
Guard my tone, my emotions, my reactions, and my relationships.

Let wisdom govern my responses and establish stability within me.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

— Gloria Ngwendson

## Day 11

### Honesty

## Proverbs 27:17

*“As iron sharpens iron,  
So a man sharpens the countenance of his friend.”  
— Proverbs 27:17 (NKJV)*

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### Morning Devo

Today, we focus on *Iron Sharpens Iron*.

Let me begin by acknowledging that we are in a season of sharpening. Please do not miss this growth opportunity as we surrender daily to the Master's hand.

Growing up, I remember watching knives being sharpened. Sometimes they were sharpened on a grinder, and other times against a rough stone surface.

I still remember:

the sound,  
the friction,  
the resistance,  
and the residue left behind.

But afterward, the knife became sharper, more effective, and more useful. Preparing meals became easier, smoother, and safer.

A sharp knife made the work lighter.

A dull knife, however, required more force, more struggle, and often became more dangerous because it slipped while attempting to cut.

Leadership can be very similar.

God often sharpens people through people.

And sharpening is rarely comfortable.

Sometimes sharpening comes through:

1. correction,
2. accountability,
3. difficult conversations,
4. differing perspectives,
5. or relationships that challenge us to grow.

One of the dangers in leadership is surrounding ourselves only with voices that agree with us constantly.

But wisdom requires honest voices.

We need people who sharpen us,  
challenge us,  
and help expose blind spots.

Not every friction is an attack.

Some friction is necessary for stretching, maturity, and refinement.

Even the story of *The Emperor's New Clothes* reminds us of the danger of leaders being surrounded by people too afraid to speak truth honestly.

A leader without honest voices eventually becomes vulnerable.

As leaders, we must never live without instruments of correction or voices of reason.

And even when correction is imperfectly delivered, wisdom still teaches us humility.

Sometimes the wiser response is to receive what is useful, process it prayerfully, and trust God concerning the vessel He used.

Not every disagreement requires confrontation.  
Not every correction requires emotional reaction.

Maturity teaches us emotional restraint, discernment, and wisdom.

Some situations require:

surrender,  
patience,  
observation,  
modeling,  
prayer,  
or silence.

Because sharpening is not rejection.

It is refinement.

And often, the relationships that sharpen us most deeply are also the relationships God uses most significantly in our growth.

As women in leadership, honesty matters deeply:

honesty with ourselves,  
honesty in relationships,  
honesty in accountability,  
and honesty before God.

Because growth cannot happen where honesty is avoided.

Let us continue allowing God to sharpen us into wiser, healthier, and more effective vessels for His Kingdom.

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## Selah Pause

*“Not every friction is an attack.  
Some friction is necessary for your growth.”*

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# Prayer Topics

## 1. Prayer for Teachable Relationships

**Scripture:** Proverbs 27:17

Father, surround me with wise and honest voices that sharpen me in truth and love.

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## 2. Prayer for Humility Under Correction

**Scripture:** Proverbs 9:9

Teach me humility and help me receive correction with maturity.

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## 3. Prayer for Emotional Wisdom

**Scripture:** Ecclesiastes 7:9

Help me not to react emotionally or defensively during difficult moments.

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## 4. Prayer for Healthy Accountability

**Scripture:** Ecclesiastes 4:9–10

Establish healthy accountability and covenant relationships in my life.

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## 5. Prayer Against Isolation in Leadership

**Scripture:** Proverbs 18:1

Protect me from unhealthy isolation and independent pride.

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## 6. Prayer for Wisdom in Conflict

**Scripture:** Colossians 4:6

Teach me wisdom, grace, and discernment in difficult conversations.

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## 7. Prayer for Spiritual Refinement

**Scripture:** Malachi 3:3

Refine my character, motives, and leadership through Your wisdom.

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# Declarations

1.

God is using relationships to sharpen and strengthen me.

**Proverbs 27:17**

2.

I am teachable, humble, and willing to grow.

**Proverbs 9:9**

3.

I will not fear correction or refinement.

**Hebrews 12:11**

4.

Wisdom is shaping my relationships and leadership.

**James 1:5**

**5.**

I will grow through honesty, accountability, and maturity.

**Ecclesiastes 4:9–10**

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## Growth Chart

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Honesty

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## Closing Prayer

Father, give me the humility to receive sharpening.

Place wise and honest voices around me that will refine me in love and truth.  
Help me not to resist the very relationships You are using for my growth.

Teach me maturity, discernment, and wisdom in every season of refinement.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

— Gloria Ngwendson

## Day 12

### Honor Through Stewardship

## Proverbs 27:18

*“Whoever keeps the fig tree will eat its fruit;  
So he who waits on his master will be honored.”*  
— Proverbs 27:18 (NKJV)

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### Morning Devo

Today, we focus on *Faithful Stewardship*.

Proverbs 27:18 tells us that the one who tends the fig tree will eat its fruit. Such a simple verse, yet deeply profound.

Fruit does not appear overnight.

Someone watered it.

Protected it.

Watched over it.

Tended it consistently through seasons where nothing visible seemed to be happening.

That is stewardship.

One of the challenges of leadership is that people often celebrate harvest while overlooking the discipline of tending.

But the truth is this:

most of leadership is not lived publicly on platforms.

Most of leadership is lived quietly in consistency:

prayer when no one sees,

preparation when no one applauds,

integrity in hidden places,

showing up faithfully in ordinary moments,

and remaining diligent through long seasons.

Many people desire fruit, but few desire the repetitive work required to sustain growth.

What we consistently nurture will eventually grow.  
What we consistently neglect will eventually weaken.

As women in leadership, this applies to every area of life:

our homes,  
our spiritual lives,  
our marriages,  
our assignments,  
our relationships,  
our character,  
our gifts,  
and the people connected to us.

Faithful stewardship is not glamorous.  
It is often quiet, repetitive, and hidden.

But wisdom teaches us that hidden consistency eventually produces visible fruit.

Scripture reminds us repeatedly not to grow weary in doing good because in due season we will reap if we do not lose heart.

The Master notices stewardship.

Even when people overlook it.  
Even when there is little applause.  
Even when the work feels repetitive.

God honors faithfulness.

And stewardship is not only about maintaining what exists today.  
It is also about preserving capacity for tomorrow.

The woman of wisdom understands that what she tends carefully today becomes part of what sustains future generations.

As leaders, we must resist the temptation to pursue only visible moments while neglecting the daily disciplines that sustain lasting fruit.

Because fruit is not sustained by charisma alone.

Fruit is sustained through stewardship.

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## Selah Pause

*“What you consistently tend will eventually grow.”*

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# Prayer Topics

## 1. Prayer for Faithfulness

**Scripture:** Luke 16:10

Father, help me remain faithful in every assignment You have entrusted to me.

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## 2. Prayer for Consistency

**Scripture:** Galatians 6:9

Teach me to remain steady and diligent even in hidden seasons.

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## 3. Prayer for Strength in Stewardship

**Scripture:** Colossians 3:23

Give me grace to serve wholeheartedly and with excellence.

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## 4. Prayer Against Weariness

**Scripture:** Isaiah 40:31

Renew my strength when leadership and responsibilities become heavy.

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## 5. Prayer for Integrity

**Scripture:** Psalm 101:2

Help me walk with integrity in both public and private places.

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## 6. Prayer for Fruitfulness

**Scripture:** John 15:5

Let my life produce lasting fruit through faithful connection to You.

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## 7. Prayer for Long-Term Endurance

**Scripture:** Hebrews 12:1

Strengthen me to endure faithfully over time without losing heart.

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# Declarations

1.

I will remain faithful in what God has entrusted to me.

**Luke 16:10**

2.

Consistency and diligence will produce lasting fruit in my life.

**Galatians 6:9**

3.

God is honoring hidden faithfulness and stewardship.

**Proverbs 27:18**

4.

I will not grow weary in doing good.

**Isaiah 40:31**

5.

My life will bear fruit that remains.

**John 15:16**

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## Growth Chart

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Honesty → Honor through Stewardship

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# Closing Prayer

Father, help me remain faithful in every assignment You have entrusted to me.

Teach me diligence, consistency, and integrity in both visible and hidden places.

Strengthen me not to grow weary in tending what You have placed in my hands.

May my life produce lasting fruit through faithful stewardship and obedience.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

— Gloria Ngwendson

## Day 13

### Heart Examination

#### Proverbs 27:19–22

*“As in water face reflects face,  
So a man’s heart reveals the man.”*

— *Proverbs 27:19 (NKJV)*

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### Morning Devo

Today, we focus on *The Mirror of the Heart and the Test of Praise*.

Scripture tells us that just as water reflects a face, the heart ultimately reflects the true person.

Eventually, what is within us surfaces.

Pressure reveals it.  
Disappointment reveals it.  
Relationships reveal it.  
And praise reveals it.

One of the dangers in leadership is becoming more concerned with appearance than with the condition of the heart. But what governs the heart eventually governs the life.

Proverbs reminds us that our desires are never neutral. What we continually crave often reveals what is shaping us beneath the surface:

- validation,
- applause,
- influence,
- recognition,
- attention,
- or approval.

And interestingly, Scripture teaches that praise tests a person.

The same way criticism can expose insecurity, praise can expose pride.

Some people remain humble in obscurity, yet become unstable when affirmed, elevated, or publicly celebrated. This is why wisdom continually calls us back to self-examination and surrender.

Leadership requires inward honesty.

Not everyone who appears strong publicly is healthy privately.  
Not every gifted person is emotionally mature.  
And not every visible leader is spiritually grounded.

Wisdom teaches us to pause long enough to ask:

- What is truly driving me?
- What do I crave most deeply?

- How do I respond to affirmation?
- What happens when I am overlooked?
- What surfaces when I feel unseen?

These questions matter because unresolved motives eventually shape leadership decisions, relationships, and spiritual stability.

Scripture also reminds us that not everyone responds to correction or wisdom. As leaders, we must remember that while we can:

guide,  
teach,  
counsel,  
pray,  
and love people,

only God can ultimately transform the human heart.

This week has shown us that wisdom is often formed on testing grounds.

Testing reveals:

motives,  
maturity,  
weaknesses,  
insecurities,  
and limitations.

And sometimes the greatest wisdom is recognizing that we are not the Holy Spirit.

As women in leadership, this realization protects us from unhealthy control, frustration, emotional exhaustion, and misplaced responsibility.

God changes hearts.  
We remain faithful vessels.

And perhaps one of the greatest acts of wisdom is allowing God to search us honestly before we attempt to lead others deeply.

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## Selah Pause

*“Praise can reveal pride just as quickly as criticism reveals insecurity.”*

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# Prayer Topics

## 1. Prayer for a Pure Heart

**Scripture:** Psalm 51:10

Father, create in me a clean heart and renew a right spirit within me.

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## 2. Prayer for Honest Self-Examination

**Scripture:** Psalm 139:23–24

Search me, Lord, and reveal every motive not aligned with You.

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## 3. Prayer Against Pride

**Scripture:** Proverbs 16:18

Guard my heart from pride, self-exaltation, and unhealthy ambition.

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## 4. Prayer for Humility in Leadership

**Scripture:** Micah 6:8

Teach me to walk humbly and wisely before You.

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## 5. Prayer for Stability Under Praise or Criticism

**Scripture:** Colossians 3:23

Help me remain steady whether affirmed or overlooked.

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## 6. Prayer for Emotional Maturity

**Scripture:** James 1:4

Develop maturity, patience, and stability within my life.

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## 7. Prayer for Wisdom in Leading Others

**Scripture:** Ezekiel 36:26

Help me remember that true heart transformation belongs to You alone.

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# Declarations

1.

God is purifying my motives and strengthening my character.

**Psalm 51:10**

2.

I will remain humble whether visible or hidden.

**Micah 6:8**

3.

My identity is rooted in God and not in human praise.

**Galatians 1:10**

4.

Wisdom is shaping my heart, leadership, and motives.

**James 3:17**

5.

I trust God to transform hearts while I remain faithful in service.

**Ezekiel 36:26**

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## Closing Prayer

Father, search my heart and reveal every motive not aligned with You.

Guard me from pride, unhealthy desires, insecurity, and self-exaltation.

Teach me humility, wisdom, emotional maturity, and stability in leadership.

Help me remain faithful whether seen or unseen, praised or overlooked.

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And remind me always that true transformation belongs to You.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

— Gloria Ngwendson

## Day 14

### Healthy Oversight

#### **Proverbs 27:23**

*“Be diligent to know the state of your flocks,  
And attend to your herds.”*

— Proverbs 27:23 (NKJV)

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### Morning Devo

*Today, we focus on Knowing the State of What You Steward.*

*Proverbs 27:23 says:*

*“Be diligent to know the state of your flocks, and attend to your herds.”*

*This Scripture reminds us that stewardship requires attentiveness.*

*You cannot properly lead what you refuse to pay attention to.*

*Whether it is:*

*your spiritual life,*

*your marriage,*

*your health,*

*your finances,*

*your children,*

*your ministry,  
your relationships,  
your emotions,  
or the people entrusted to your care,*

*wisdom calls us to remain aware.*

*Neglect is not always intentional.*

*More often, it develops quietly through:*

*distraction,  
overextension,  
busyness,  
assumption,  
emotional fatigue,  
or misplaced priorities.*

*Sometimes we become so busy managing responsibilities that we stop truly observing what is happening around us.*

*And over time, what is ignored weakens.*

*Leadership is not only vision.  
Leadership is also observation.*

*Even Moses, though deeply spiritual and close to God, still needed wise counsel from Jethro concerning structure, delegation, and leadership management.*

*This reminds us that spiritual gifting alone does not remove the need for wisdom, structure, leadership development, and accountability.*

*We cannot lead effectively in isolation.*

*What you cannot see, others may observe clearly.  
Wise leaders remain humble enough to receive insight, feedback, and counsel.*

*Healthy stewardship asks honest questions:*

*What is thriving?*

*What is declining?*

*What have I overlooked?*

*What requires attention?*

*What needs adjustment?*

*As women in leadership, this is especially important because many of us carry multiple responsibilities simultaneously. And when responsibilities increase, attentiveness must increase as well.*

*Small issues often become major problems simply because they remained unattended too long.*

*Wisdom teaches us to pay attention before crisis forces attention.*

*God does not only hold us accountable for what we build.  
He also cares how well we tended what He entrusted to us.*

*Healthy oversight is not control.  
It is responsible attentiveness.*

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## **Selah Pause**

*“You cannot properly steward what you refuse to observe.”*

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# **Prayer Topics**

## **1. Prayer for Wisdom in Stewardship**

**Scripture:** James 1:5

*Father, give me wisdom to steward every area of my life responsibly and attentively.*

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## **2. Prayer for Discernment and Awareness**

**Scripture:** Proverbs 27:23

*Help me recognize areas that require attention, adjustment, and care.*

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## **3. Prayer Against Neglect and Distraction**

**Scripture:** Ephesians 5:15–16

*Teach me to live intentionally and wisely, redeeming my time well.*

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## **4. Prayer for Healthy Leadership**

**Scripture:** Exodus 18:21–23

*Help me lead with wisdom, structure, humility, and accountability.*

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## **5. Prayer for Emotional and Spiritual Health**

**Scripture:** 3 John 1:2

*Teach me to care for my spiritual, emotional, and physical well-being wisely.*

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## **6. Prayer for Diligence**

**Scripture:** Proverbs 10:4

*Develop diligence, attentiveness, and consistency within my life.*

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## 7. Prayer for Wise Counsel

**Scripture:** *Proverbs 11:14*

*Surround me with wise voices that strengthen my leadership and growth.*

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## Declarations

1.

*I will steward faithfully what God has entrusted to me.*

**Proverbs 27:23**

2.

*Wisdom is teaching me attentiveness and discernment.*

**James 1:5**

3.

*I will not neglect the areas God has called me to oversee.*

**Ephesians 5:15–16**

4.

*God is strengthening me to lead wisely and responsibly.*

**Exodus 18:21–23**

5.

*Healthy oversight will preserve my life, leadership, and relationships.*  
**Proverbs 27:23**

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## Closing Prayer

*Father, teach me to steward faithfully what You have placed in my care.*

*Give me wisdom to pay attention, discern what needs tending, and respond with diligence.*

*Help me not to neglect what matters most through distraction, overextension, or busyness.*

*Establish wisdom, attentiveness, and healthy oversight within my life and leadership.*

*In Jesus' name, Amen.*

— Gloria Ngwendson

## Selah Reflection

### The Testing Ground of Wisdom

*This week, Proverbs 27 brought us into the refining places of wisdom.*

*We learned that not every burden belongs to us and that wisdom requires healthy boundaries. We reflected on the weight of our words, the importance of tone, and the maturity required to exercise restraint under pressure.*

*We were reminded that sharpening often comes through friction, correction, and relationships that challenge us to grow. We reflected on stewardship, not merely as responsibility, but as faithful tending over time. And finally, we examined the heart, recognizing that what governs the heart eventually governs the life.*

*We now understand that wisdom is tested long before it is trusted.*

*Through testing, we grow in maturity.*

*This week revealed that maturity is not simply seen in gifting, but in stability:  
the ability to pause,  
to discern,  
to receive correction,  
to steward faithfully,  
and to remain humble under both pressure and praise.*

*Not every refining season is comfortable, but refinement is often the mercy of God preserving us from becoming unstable under future weight.*

*Take time today to pause and reflect.*

*Where is God refining me?  
What relationships are sharpening me?  
What patterns require adjustment?  
What responsibilities require greater stewardship?  
What motives still need surrender?*

*Because wisdom is not formed in ease alone.*

*It is formed in tension, honesty, correction, endurance, and surrender.*

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# Prayer Topics

## 1. Prayer for Stability in Leadership

**Scripture:** Colossians 2:7

*Father, establish stability and maturity within my life and leadership.*

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## 2. Prayer for Humility During Refinement

**Scripture:** Proverbs 15:33

*Help me remain humble and teachable during seasons of correction and sharpening.*

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## 3. Prayer for Healthy Stewardship

**Scripture:** Luke 16:10

*Teach me faithfulness and wisdom in every responsibility You have entrusted to me.*

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## 4. Prayer for Wisdom in Relationships

**Scripture:** Proverbs 27:17

*Surround me with relationships that sharpen, strengthen, and mature me.*

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## 5. Prayer for Emotional Maturity

**Scripture:** James 1:19–20

*Help me respond wisely under pressure and not react from emotion alone.*

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## 6. Prayer for Purity of Motive

**Scripture:** *Psalm 139:23–24*

*Search my heart and align my desires with Your will.*

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## 7. Prayer for Endurance Through Refinement

**Scripture:** *Hebrews 12:11*

*Strengthen me to endure seasons of growth, stretching, and refinement faithfully.*

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# Declarations

1.

*God is using refinement to establish wisdom and stability within me.*

**Colossians 2:7**

2.

*I will remain humble, teachable, and surrendered during seasons of correction.*

**Proverbs 15:33**

3.

*Faithful stewardship will produce lasting fruit in my life.*

**Luke 16:10**

4.

*The relationships God has placed around me are sharpening and strengthening me.*

**Proverbs 27:17**

5.

*Wisdom is being formed within me through endurance, honesty, and surrender.*

**Hebrews 12:11**

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## Sunday Prayer

*Father, thank You for every area where You are refining my life.*

*Give me the humility to receive correction, the wisdom to exercise restraint, and the grace to steward faithfully what You have entrusted to me.*

*Search my heart and establish stability within me.*

*Let wisdom govern my motives, my relationships, and my leadership.*

*Continue refining me until my life reflects maturity, faithfulness, and endurance.*

*In Jesus' name, Amen.*

— Gloria Ngwendson

## Day 15

### Hiddenness

#### Proverbs 27:24

*“For riches are not forever,  
Nor does a crown endure to all generations.”  
— Proverbs 27:24 (NKJV)*

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### Morning Devo

*Today, we focus on The Myth of Permanence.*

*This Proverb reminds us that riches do not last forever. Such a simple statement, yet deeply instructive.*

*Everything in life shifts.*

*Seasons change.*

*Roles change.*

*Influence changes.*

*Platforms rise and fall.*

*Positions evolve.*

*Visibility fluctuates.*

*One of the dangers in leadership is assuming that our current season will remain forever. But wisdom reminds us that earthly gain, whether financial, positional, or influential, is temporary.*

*Leadership itself is seasonal.*

*But character is foundational.*

*Character transcends positions, titles, and seasons.*

*When identity becomes attached to position, every transition begins to feel threatening. But when identity is rooted in God, visibility can change without destabilizing the soul.*

*This is why wisdom teaches us not to build our lives merely on applause, image, recognition, or public influence.*

*These things are unstable by nature.*

*The wiser pursuit is depth,  
substance,  
integrity,  
and rootedness in God.*

*As women in leadership, this matters deeply because many seasons require quietness, transition, obscurity, pruning, rebuilding, or waiting.*

*And if our identity is rooted only in visibility, hidden seasons can feel unbearable.*

*But hiddenness is not irrelevance.*

*Many of God's greatest works are formed in hidden places:*

*Moses in Midian,  
David in the wilderness,  
Esther in preparation,  
Jesus in obscurity before public ministry.*

*Wisdom teaches us not to despise hidden seasons.*

*Sometimes God hides us:*

*to preserve us,  
to refine us,  
to deepen us,*

*to mature us,  
or to prepare us for future weight.*

*Longevity does not belong to those who chase prominence.  
It belongs to those who remain rooted in God through changing seasons.*

*As leaders, we must learn to steward visibility without depending on it emotionally.*

*Because our value does not increase with visibility, nor decrease in hiddenness.*

*Hide yourself in God.  
And in due season, He will reveal what He has prepared.*

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## **Selah Pause**

*“Your value does not increase with visibility, nor decrease in hiddenness.”*

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# **Prayer Topics**

## **1. Prayer for Identity Rooted in God**

**Scripture:** *Colossians 3:3*

*Father, anchor my identity deeply in You and not in titles, visibility, or recognition.*

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## **2. Prayer for Faithfulness in Hidden Seasons**

**Scripture:** *Matthew 6:6*

*Teach me to remain faithful even when unseen or unnoticed.*

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### 3. Prayer Against Pride and Self-Promotion

**Scripture:** Proverbs 27:2

*Guard my heart from striving, pride, and unhealthy ambition.*

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### 4. Prayer for Stability Through Transitions

**Scripture:** Hebrews 13:8

*Help me remain steady and secure through every changing season of life.*

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### 5. Prayer for Character and Integrity

**Scripture:** Psalm 101:2

*Develop depth, integrity, and wisdom within my character.*

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### 6. Prayer for Trust in God's Timing

**Scripture:** Ecclesiastes 3:11

*Help me trust Your process, timing, and preparation.*

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### 7. Prayer for Longevity in Leadership

**Scripture:** Galatians 6:9

*Strengthen me to remain faithful over time and not grow weary.*

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# Declarations

1.

*My identity is rooted in God and not in visibility.*  
**Colossians 3:3**

2.

*I will remain faithful in hidden seasons.*  
**Matthew 6:6**

3.

*God is developing character and wisdom within me.*  
**Psalms 101:2**

4.

*I trust God through every transition and season.*  
**Ecclesiastes 3:11**

5.

*Longevity and stability will mark my life and leadership.*  
**Galatians 6:9**

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## Closing Prayer

*Father, anchor my identity in You and not in titles, platforms, or recognition.*

*Teach me to pursue character above visibility and integrity above image.  
Help me remain steady through every transition and faithful in every season.*

*Develop wisdom, depth, and endurance within me as I learn to trust You in both hidden and visible places.*

*In Jesus' name, Amen.*

— Gloria Ngwendson

## Day 16

### Hidden Growth

#### **Proverbs 27:25**

*“When the hay is removed, and the tender grass shows itself,  
And the herbs of the mountains are gathered in...”*

— Proverbs 27:25 (NKJV)

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### Morning Devo

*Today, we focus on Cycles of Renewal.*

*Proverbs says:*

*“When the hay is removed and new growth appears...”*

*Such a beautiful picture of transition.*

*What once covered the field is cleared away, and suddenly new growth becomes visible.*

*At first glance, clearing can feel uncomfortable.*

*Sometimes God removes:*

- 1. familiar rhythms,*
- 2. relationships,*
- 3. routines,*
- 4. structures,*
- 5. comforts,*
- 6. or seasons that once sustained us.*

*Naturally, we may interpret this as loss.*

*But wisdom teaches us that not every clearing is punishment.*

*Some transitions are preparation.*

*Jesus Himself taught that the Father prunes fruitful branches so they can bear more fruit. Pruning is not rejection; it is preservation.*

*There are seasons in life where God gently removes what can no longer sustain the next stage of growth.*

*As women in leadership, this can be especially difficult because many of us carry deep emotional attachments:*

- to people,*
- to assignments,*
- to routines,*
- to places,*
- and even to previous versions of ourselves.*

*Yet wisdom reminds us that growth often requires transition.*

*New growth needs room.*

*Sometimes what feels empty today is simply space being prepared for something deeper tomorrow.*

*And often, the most important growth is happening where nobody can yet see it.*

*Roots deepen before fruit appears.*

*That is hidden growth.*

*This is why wisdom does not resist every ending.*

*Instead, wisdom pauses and asks:*

*“Lord, what are You preparing through this transition?”*

*Because not every closed door is failure.*

*Not every delay is denial.*

*And not every pruning season is loss.*

*Some seasons are simply God preparing us for greater depth, greater wisdom, and greater endurance.*

*As leaders, we must learn not to panic when seasons shift.*

*God remains faithful in transitions.*

*And sometimes the quietest seasons produce the deepest roots.*

*Renewal often begins where something has been cleared away.*

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## **Selah Pause**

*“Sometimes what feels empty today  
is making room for deeper growth tomorrow.”*

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## **Prayer Topics**

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## 1. Prayer for Wisdom in Transition

**Scripture:** Ecclesiastes 3:1

*Father, help me recognize Your wisdom and purpose in changing seasons.*

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## 2. Prayer for Trust During Pruning

**Scripture:** John 15:2

*Teach me not to fear pruning, but to trust Your process of refinement and growth.*

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## 3. Prayer Against Fear of Change

**Scripture:** Isaiah 43:19

*Help me embrace new growth without fear, anxiety, or resistance.*

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## 4. Prayer for Hidden Growth

**Scripture:** Colossians 2:7

*Deepen my spiritual roots and establish me firmly in You.*

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## 5. Prayer for Emotional Strength in Transition

**Scripture:** Isaiah 40:31

*Renew my strength during seasons of uncertainty and adjustment.*

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## 6. Prayer for Spiritual Renewal

**Scripture:** Romans 12:2

*Renew my mind, priorities, and perspective through Your wisdom.*

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## 7. Prayer for Endurance Through Change

**Scripture:** Hebrews 10:36

*Give me endurance to walk faithfully through every season of transition.*

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## Declarations

1.

*God is preparing deeper growth within me through every transition.*  
**John 15:2**

2.

*I will not fear change because God is guiding my seasons.*  
**Ecclesiastes 3:1**

3.

*What God removes is making room for greater fruitfulness.*  
**Isaiah 43:19**

4.

*My roots are growing deeper even in hidden seasons.*  
**Colossians 2:7**

## 5.

*Renewal and growth are emerging through God's process in my life.*

**Romans 12:2**

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## Closing Prayer

*Father, help me trust You in seasons of transition and change.*

*Give me wisdom to recognize when You are making room for new growth in my life.*

*Teach me not to fear pruning, but to trust Your process of renewal and hidden growth.*

*Strengthen my roots, renew my spirit, and establish me deeply in Your wisdom through every changing season.*

*In Jesus' name, Amen.*

— Gloria Ngwendson

## Day 17

# Household Stewardship

## Proverbs 27:26

*“The lambs will provide your clothing,  
And the goats the price of a field.”  
— Proverbs 27:26 (NKJV)*

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## Morning Devo

*Today, we focus on Provision Through Stewardship.*

*This verse reveals a simple but powerful truth:  
provision is connected to tending.*

*The garments and resources mentioned here are the result of careful  
stewardship. What is managed faithfully becomes sufficient supply.*

*We often think meaningful provision must appear dramatically or suddenly. Yet  
many times, God’s provision begins quietly through faithful stewardship of what  
is already in our hands today.*

*God is interested in patterns of faithfulness that create:*

*stability,  
sustainability,  
discipline,  
and longevity before spectacular abundance.*

*Proverbs 13:11 reminds us that wealth gained quickly may disappear quickly,  
but gradual increase produces lasting growth.*

*Daily care produces lasting provision.*

*This principle extends far beyond finances.*

*Our:*

*time needs prioritizing,  
energy needs managing,  
relationships need investment,  
opportunities need valuing,  
and our households, ministries, gifts, and assignments all require  
intentional stewardship.*

*As women in leadership, we understand this deeply because much of what we  
carry is sustained quietly through:*

*consistency,  
attentiveness,  
sacrifice,  
discipline,  
and endurance.*

*We must be like the virtuous woman in Proverbs 31.*

*Her stewardship was not only about:*

- managing resources,*
- making clothing for her household,*
- or maintaining relationships well.*

*It was also about future capacity.*

*She stewarded wisely enough to purchase a field.*

*Wisdom understands that how we manage today's resources often creates  
tomorrow's opportunities and even generational provision.*

*And stewardship also applies spiritually.*

*Sometimes wisdom requires restraint:*

*limiting excess,  
avoiding waste,  
resisting impulsive consumption,  
and exercising discipline in one season to preserve strength for another.*

*As leaders, we must not become so focused on visibility that we neglect sustainability.*

*Because often, the true miracle is not excess.*

*It is sufficiency.*

*Enough grace for the season.  
Enough wisdom for the responsibility.  
Enough strength for the assignment.*

*Wisdom teaches us that faithful stewardship produces stability over time.*

*Because consistency can sustain what charisma alone cannot.*

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## **Selah Pause**

*“Consistency can sustain what charisma alone cannot.”*

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# **Prayer Topics**

## **1. Prayer for Faithful Stewardship**

**Scripture:** Luke 16:10

*Father, teach me to steward faithfully every responsibility You have entrusted to me.*

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## 2. Prayer for Wisdom in Provision

**Scripture:** Proverbs 3:9–10

*Help me manage resources wisely and honor You with what You provide.*

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## 3. Prayer for Discipline and Consistency

**Scripture:** Galatians 6:9

*Strengthen me to remain diligent and consistent over time.*

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## 4. Prayer for Sustainability in Leadership

**Scripture:** Ecclesiastes 7:8

*Teach me to build with wisdom, patience, and long-term faithfulness.*

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## 5. Prayer for Household Blessing

**Scripture:** Joshua 24:15

*Establish peace, provision, and wisdom within my household.*

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## 6. Prayer Against Waste and Excess

**Scripture:** Proverbs 21:20

*Help me exercise wisdom, restraint, and healthy stewardship in every area.*

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## 7. Prayer for Generational Impact

**Scripture:** Proverbs 13:22

*Let my stewardship today produce blessing and stability for future generations.*

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## Declarations

1.

*God is teaching me faithful stewardship in every area of life.*

**Luke 16:10**

2.

*Consistency and diligence will produce lasting fruit.*

**Galatians 6:9**

3.

*I will steward wisely what God has placed in my hands.*

**Proverbs 3:9–10**

4.

*My household will experience God's wisdom and provision.*

**Joshua 24:15**

5.

*Faithful stewardship will produce stability, growth, and generational blessing.*

**Proverbs 13:22**

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## Closing Prayer

*Father, teach me to steward faithfully every responsibility You have placed in my hands.*

*Give me wisdom to manage well, sustain wisely, and trust You as my source in every season.*

*Help me remain diligent in both visible and hidden responsibilities.*

*Establish stability, wisdom, and faithful stewardship within my life and leadership.*

*In Jesus' name, Amen.*

— Gloria Ngwendson

## Day 18

### Heavenly Sufficiency

#### **Proverbs 27:27**

*“You shall have enough goats’ milk for your food,  
For the food of your household,*

*And the nourishment of your maidservants.”*  
— Proverbs 27:27 (NKJV)

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## Morning Devo

*Today, we focus on Heavenly Sufficiency.*

*Proverbs 27 closes with a reassuring promise:  
there will be enough.*

*Enough for the assignment.  
Enough for the household.  
Enough grace for the season.*

*What a comforting reminder in a world constantly pushing us toward:  
more,  
faster,  
bigger,  
louder,  
and greater visibility.*

*As leaders, it is easy to quietly drift into striving.*

*We compare:*

*seasons,  
influence,  
opportunities,  
resources,  
outcomes,  
and capacities.*

*And over time, anxiety can slowly replace peace.*

*But wisdom teaches us something different.*

*God's provision is connected to His assignment.*

*He does not call us to sustain what He will not supply.*

*Paul said he learned to be content in every circumstance, not because conditions were always easy, but because Christ Himself was sufficient.*

*As women in leadership, this matters deeply because many of us quietly carry enormous responsibilities:*

*homes,*

*ministries,*

*visions,*

*emotional burdens,*

*expectations,*

*and the needs of many people connected to us.*

*And often the greatest pressure is uncertainty:*

*Will I have enough strength?*

*Enough wisdom?*

*Enough provision?*

*Enough emotional capacity?*

*Enough grace for what this season requires?*

*But Heavenly Sufficiency reminds us that God already knows the demands attached to the assignment He entrusted to us.*

*Contentment is not complacency.*

*It is trust.*

*It is the quiet confidence that God can sustain what He has ordained.*

*Sometimes peace does not come because everything suddenly increases.*

*Sometimes peace comes when we finally recognize that God has already provided enough for today.*

*Enough grace for the moment.  
Enough wisdom for the responsibility.  
Enough strength for the burden.  
Enough provision for the assignment.*

*As leaders, wisdom teaches us to lead from trust rather than anxiety.*

*Because striving exhausts the soul, but trust steadies it.*

*God's sufficiency does not always appear as abundance.  
Sometimes it appears as daily sustaining grace.*

*And daily grace is still a miracle.*

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## **Selah Pause**

*“God does not call you to sustain  
what He will not supply.”*

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## **Prayer Topics**

### **1. Prayer for Trust in God's Provision**

**Scripture:** *Philippians 4:19*

*Father, help me trust You as my source and sustainer in every season.*

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### **2. Prayer Against Striving and Anxiety**

**Scripture:** *Matthew 6:31-33*

*Deliver me from fear, striving, comparison, and unnecessary worry.*

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### 3. Prayer for Contentment

**Scripture:** *Philippians 4:11–13*

*Teach me contentment and peace regardless of changing circumstances.*

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### 4. Prayer for Grace for the Assignment

**Scripture:** *2 Corinthians 12:9*

*Strengthen me with sufficient grace for every responsibility You have entrusted to me.*

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### 5. Prayer for Household Provision

**Scripture:** *Psalms 23:1*

*Provide for every need within my household according to Your wisdom and faithfulness.*

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### 6. Prayer for Emotional and Spiritual Peace

**Scripture:** *Isaiah 26:3*

*Establish peace and stability within my heart and mind.*

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### 7. Prayer for Rest in God's Sufficiency

**Scripture:** *Hebrews 4:9–10*

*Teach me to rest confidently in Your sustaining power and provision.*

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## Declarations

1.

*God will supply everything necessary for my assignment.*  
**Philippians 4:19**

2.

*I will lead from trust and not from anxiety.*  
**Isaiah 26:3**

3.

*God's grace is sufficient for every season of my life.*  
**2 Corinthians 12:9**

4.

*I choose contentment, peace, and confidence in God's provision.*  
**Philippians 4:11-13**

5.

*There will be enough grace, wisdom, strength, and provision for this season.*  
**Psalms 23:1**

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## Growth Chart

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## Closing Prayer

*Father, teach me to rest in Your sufficiency.*

*Guard my heart from striving, comparison, fear, and anxiety.*

*Help me trust that You will provide everything necessary for the assignment  
You have given me.*

*Teach me contentment, peace, and steady faith in every season.*

*And may Your wisdom establish stability within my life, leadership, and  
household.*

*In Jesus' name, Amen.*

*— Gloria Ngwendson*

## Day 19

### Heritage

#### Proverbs 27 — Closing Reflection

*“The wise woman builds her house...”*

*— Proverbs 14:1 (NKJV)*

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## Morning Devo

*Today, we come to the close of this journey through Proverbs 27.*

*And after all the teachings, prayers, sharpening, reflection, correction, surrender, and growth, one important question remains:*

*What will endure?*

*Throughout these weeks, God has taught us through many voices and experiences.*

*We have reflected on:*

*humility,  
healing,  
discernment,  
stewardship,  
restraint,  
faithfulness,  
contentment,  
and endurance.*

*And if we are honest, many of these lessons were deeply personal.*

*Because God was not forming flawless women.*

*He was cultivating wise women.*

*Women who are legacy minded.*

*Women who can sustain vision.*

*Women who can carry responsibility with maturity.*

*Women who understand that wisdom is not proven merely by how we begin, but by how faithfully we endure over time.*

*Wise leadership always thinks beyond itself.*

*As women, we understand this language naturally because much of our lives involve:*

*birthing,  
nurturing,  
preserving,  
sustaining,  
and building.*

*Some women are called to lead visibly like Deborah.*

*Others are called to influence strategically like Esther.*

*Neither calling is lesser.*

*Deborah functioned publicly with delegated authority and governmental influence. Esther functioned relationally and strategically within proximity to power.*

*One confronted openly.  
The other influenced wisely from within.*

*Both required wisdom.  
Both required courage.  
Both required discernment.*

*The wisdom is not in imitating another woman's calling.  
The wisdom is in knowing your assignment and developing the capacity to sustain it faithfully.*

*Mature women stop competing and start functioning.*

*It is in the consistent exercise of your calling that capacity grows.*

*What is built in wisdom may grow quietly, but it endures.*

*Platforms shift.  
Titles change.*

*Seasons transition.*

*Visibility rises and falls.*

*But:*

- *character,*
- *stewardship,*
- *obedience,*
- *faithfulness,*
- *and the fear of the Lord*

*continue sustaining a life long after visibility changes.*

*As we conclude this fast, let us not merely carry inspiration forward.*

*Let us carry wisdom.*

*Because true legacy is not merely what we achieved.*

*True legacy is what continues because we obeyed God faithfully.*

*Wise women build to last.*

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## **Selah Pause**

*“Wise women build to last.”*

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# **Prayer Topics**

## **1. Prayer for Wisdom and Endurance**

**Scripture:** James 1:5

*Father, establish wisdom, endurance, and maturity within my life and leadership.*

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## **2. Prayer for Clarity of Calling**

**Scripture:** *Ephesians 2:10*

*Help me recognize my assignment clearly and walk faithfully in it.*

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## **3. Prayer for Legacy and Longevity**

**Scripture:** *Proverbs 13:22*

*Let my life produce fruit and influence that will endure beyond my lifetime.*

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## **4. Prayer for Faithful Stewardship**

**Scripture:** *Luke 16:10*

*Teach me to steward influence, responsibility, and opportunity wisely.*

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## **5. Prayer Against Comparison**

**Scripture:** *Galatians 6:4–5*

*Help me function faithfully without competing with others.*

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## **6. Prayer for Future Generations**

**Scripture:** *Psalms 145:4*

*May wisdom, faithfulness, and godly leadership be passed to future generations.*

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## 7. Prayer for the Fear of the Lord

**Scripture:** Proverbs 9:10

*Anchor my life in reverence for God above public recognition or approval.*

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## Declarations

1.

*God is establishing wisdom and endurance within me.*

**James 1:5**

2.

*I will walk faithfully in the assignment God has given me.*

**Ephesians 2:10**

3.

*My life will produce lasting fruit and godly legacy.*

**Proverbs 13:22**

4.

*I choose faithfulness over comparison and endurance over applause.*

**Galatians 6:4-5**

5.

*Wisdom, stewardship, and the fear of the Lord will sustain my leadership.*  
**Proverbs 9:10**

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## Closing Prayer

*Father, establish us as wise women who build what lasts.*

*Teach us to steward our calling faithfully, walk in discernment, and grow in  
endurance and maturity.*

*May our lives produce fruit that remains and a legacy that glorifies You.*

*Help us lead with wisdom, humility, courage, and faithfulness in every season.*

*And may what You build within us continue blessing generations long after our  
visible seasons change.*

*In Jesus' name, Amen.*

— Gloria Ngwendson

## Selah Reflection

## *The Wisdom That Endures*

*This week, Proverbs 27 invited us deeper into the quiet work of sustainability.*

*We learned that wisdom pays attention.*

*That faithful leadership is not built merely on inspiration, but on careful oversight, stewardship, and consistency over time.*

*We reflected on hidden seasons and discovered that our value does not increase with visibility, nor decrease in obscurity. We were reminded that some transitions are not punishment, but pruning, making room for deeper growth.*

*We learned that provision is often connected to stewardship, and that consistency can sustain what charisma alone cannot. We reflected on sufficiency, contentment, and the peace that comes from trusting God to supply what He has assigned.*

*And finally, we arrived at legacy.*

*Not merely what we accomplish, but what remains because we walked faithfully with God.*

*This week revealed that maturity is not only seen in how we begin, but in how we endure.*

*Wisdom taught us:*

*to pay attention,*

*to tend carefully,*

*to remain faithful in hidden places,*

*to trust God through transitions,*

*and to build with endurance rather than urgency.*

*Because some of the strongest things God builds grow slowly.*

*Not every fruitful season is loud.*

*Not every important work is visible.*

*And not every form of growth appears immediately.*

*Yet what is deeply rooted eventually becomes enduring.*

*Take time today to pause and reflect.*

*What is God teaching me to sustain?*

*Where am I being called to greater consistency?*

*What hidden areas still require faithful stewardship?*

*Am I building for applause, or for endurance?*

*What legacy am I shaping through my daily decisions?*

*Because wisdom is not only the ability to start.*

*Wisdom is the grace to remain faithful over time and finish strong.*

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## **Prayer Topics**

### **1. Prayer for Faithful Endurance**

**Scripture:** Hebrews 12:1

*Father, strengthen me to remain faithful and steadfast over time.*

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### **2. Prayer for Wisdom in Stewardship**

**Scripture:** Proverbs 27:23

*Teach me to steward responsibly every area You have entrusted to me.*

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### **3. Prayer for Stability in Hidden Seasons**

**Scripture:** Colossians 3:3

*Help me remain secure and rooted in You even during hidden seasons.*

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## 4. Prayer for Trust During Transition

**Scripture:** Ecclesiastes 3:1

*Teach me to trust You fully through every changing season of life.*

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## 5. Prayer for Contentment and Peace

**Scripture:** Philippians 4:11–13

*Guard my heart from striving and establish contentment within me.*

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## 6. Prayer for Legacy and Longevity

**Scripture:** Proverbs 13:22

*Let my life produce fruit and influence that will endure for generations.*

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## 7. Prayer for Deep Spiritual Roots

**Scripture:** Colossians 2:7

*Establish me deeply in wisdom, truth, and spiritual maturity.*

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# Declarations

1.

*God is teaching me endurance, faithfulness, and stability.*  
**Hebrews 12:1**

2.

*I will remain faithful in both hidden and visible seasons.*  
**Colossians 3:3**

3.

*Consistency and wisdom are strengthening my leadership.*  
**Proverbs 27:23**

4.

*I trust God through every transition and season of growth.*  
**Ecclesiastes 3:1**

5.

*My life will produce lasting fruit and enduring legacy.*  
**Proverbs 13:22**

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# Sunday Prayer

*Father, thank You for the work You are doing within me.*

*Teach me to build with wisdom, steward with faithfulness, and endure with grace.*

*Help me remain rooted in hidden seasons, attentive in responsibility, and content in Your provision.*

*Establish my life in truth, stability, and maturity.*

*And may the fruit of my obedience become a lasting legacy that honors You.*

*In Jesus' name, Amen.*

— Gloria Ngwendson

## Day 20

### Thanksgiving

#### **Finishing with Gratitude**

*“Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!*

*For His mercy endures forever.”*

— Psalm 136:1 (NKJV)

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### Morning Devo

*Today, we pause to give thanks.*

*Not only for completing a fast,*

*but for the work God has done within us throughout this journey.*

*Over these past weeks, we have walked carefully through Proverbs 27 and allowed wisdom to confront, refine, strengthen, and mature us.*

*We have reflected on:*

*humility,  
healing,  
discernment,  
stewardship,  
relationships,  
restraint,  
hiddenness,  
contentment,  
and legacy.*

*And perhaps one of the greatest lessons we learned is this:  
growth is often quieter than we expect.*

*Not every transformation announces itself loudly.*

*Sometimes wisdom grows slowly:  
through surrender,  
through correction,  
through endurance,  
through hidden faithfulness,  
and through daily obedience.*

*Today is not merely about thanking God for answers or breakthroughs.  
It is also about thanking Him for preservation.*

*For sustaining us.  
For correcting us.  
For strengthening us.  
For carrying us through hidden battles nobody else saw.*

*As women in leadership, many of us know what it means to continue serving while quietly carrying responsibilities, burdens, disappointments, and pressure.*

*Yet through it all, God remained faithful.*

*Even the desire to seek Him is grace.*

*And as this journey concludes, let gratitude guard our hearts from pride, striving, and forgetfulness.*

*Because wise people remember.*

*They remember:*

*where God brought them from,  
what He preserved them through,  
what He taught them quietly,  
and how faithfully He sustained them.*

*Gratitude keeps the heart tender.*

*It reminds us that wisdom is not self-produced.  
It is God-given.*

*And perhaps one of the purest signs of maturity is the ability to remain thankful through every season:  
visible or hidden,  
abundant or stretching,  
celebrated or overlooked.*

*Today, we give thanks for the journey.*

*And we trust that the seeds planted during this fast will continue producing fruit long after this season ends.*

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## **Selah Pause**

*“Gratitude protects the heart from forgetting the faithfulness of God.”*

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# Prayer Topics

## 1. Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Scripture:** Psalm 136:1

*Father, thank You for Your goodness, mercy, and faithfulness throughout this journey.*

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## 2. Prayer for Lasting Fruit

**Scripture:** John 15:16

*Let every lesson, correction, and seed planted during this fast produce lasting fruit.*

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## 3. Prayer for Continued Wisdom

**Scripture:** James 1:5

*Help me continue walking in wisdom beyond this fasting season.*

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## 4. Prayer for Spiritual Preservation

**Scripture:** Jude 1:24

*Thank You for preserving me spiritually, emotionally, and mentally.*

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## 5. Prayer for Strength and Renewal

**Scripture:** Isaiah 40:31

*Renew my strength and establish endurance within me for future seasons.*

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## 6. Prayer for a Thankful Heart

**Scripture:** 1 Thessalonians 5:18

*Teach me to remain grateful in every circumstance and season.*

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## 7. Prayer for Future Impact

**Scripture:** Psalm 90:17

*Establish the work of my hands and let my life glorify You.*

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# Declarations

1.

*God has been faithful throughout every season of my life.*

**Psalm 136:1**

2.

*The wisdom gained during this journey will continue producing fruit.*

**John 15:16**

3.

*I will continue walking in humility, wisdom, and faithfulness.*

**James 1:5**

4.

*Gratitude, peace, and stability will guard my heart.*  
**Philippians 4:6-7**

## 5.

*God is establishing the work of my hands for His glory.*  
**Psalm 90:17**

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## Closing Prayer

*Father, thank You for sustaining me throughout this journey.*

*Thank You for every lesson, every correction, every hidden work, and every moment of growth.*

*Thank You for Your mercy, wisdom, provision, and faithfulness.*

*Help me carry these lessons forward with humility and maturity.*

*May the seeds planted during this season continue producing fruit in my life, leadership, family, and calling.*

*And may gratitude always remain alive within my heart.*

*In Jesus' name, Amen.*

— Gloria Ngwendson

# Day 21

## Commissioning

### Sent Forth in Wisdom

*“The wise woman builds her house...”*

— Proverbs 14:1 (NKJV)

*“Wisdom is the principal thing;  
Therefore get wisdom.”*

— Proverbs 4:7 (NKJV)

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## Morning Devo

*Today, we come to the conclusion of this 21 day journey through Proverbs 27.*

*But this is not merely an ending.*

*It is a commissioning.*

*Over these past weeks, God has walked us carefully through:*

*humility,*

*healing,*

*discernment,*

*stewardship,*

*restraint,*

*hiddenness,*

*contentment,*

*endurance,*

*and legacy.*

*And through it all, wisdom has been quietly forming us.*

*Not merely as women who lead publicly,  
but as women who can sustain weight privately.*

*Because wisdom is not simply about knowledge.*

*Wisdom is:*

*rightly applying truth,  
stewarding responsibility,  
governing emotions,  
discerning seasons,  
building faithfully,  
and enduring humbly over time.*

*As women in leadership, many of us serve in different capacities.*

*Some lead visibly like Deborah:  
governing,  
speaking,  
building,  
and carrying delegated authority openly.*

*Others influence strategically like Esther:  
positioned quietly,  
moving with discernment,  
using wisdom relationally and strategically within systems and structures.*

*Neither calling is lesser.*

*Both require:*

*courage,  
wisdom,*

*restraint,  
discernment,  
and maturity.*

*The danger comes when women attempt to imitate callings they were never assigned rather than developing the grace attached to their own.*

*Wisdom teaches us to know our assignment.*

*Some are called to pioneer.*

*Some are called to preserve.*

*Some are called to build systems.*

*Some are called to nurture people.*

*Some are called to counsel.*

*Some are called to govern.*

*Some are called to intercede quietly while others lead publicly.*

*But every calling requires wisdom to sustain it.*

*This journey was never merely about inspiration.*

*It was about formation.*

*Because gifting may attract attention, but wisdom sustains longevity.*

*And perhaps one of the greatest lessons Proverbs 27 taught us is this:  
wise women build intentionally.*

*They understand:*

*stewardship,*

*structure,*

*endurance,*

*sustainability,*

*and legacy.*

*They know that what is built carelessly eventually collapses under pressure.*

*But what is built with wisdom endures.*

*As you leave this fast, do not leave merely emotionally stirred.*

*Leave wiser.*

*Carry these lessons into:*

*your homes,*

*your ministries,*

*your leadership,*

*your marriages,*

*your businesses,*

*your relationships,*

*and your private life before God.*

*Build carefully.*

*Lead humbly.*

*Steward faithfully.*

*Endure wisely.*

*And may your life become evidence that wisdom still builds what lasts.*

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## **Selah Pause**

*“Wise women build to last.”*

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# **Prayer Topics**

## **1. Prayer for Wisdom in Every Assignment**

**Scripture:** James 1:5

*Father, continue giving me wisdom for every season, responsibility, and assignment ahead.*

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## **2. Prayer for Clarity of Calling**

**Scripture:** *Ephesians 2:10*

*Help me walk confidently and faithfully in the calling You have designed for me.*

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## **3. Prayer for Endurance and Longevity**

**Scripture:** *Galatians 6:9*

*Strengthen me to remain faithful over time and not grow weary in doing good.*

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## **4. Prayer for Legacy and Influence**

**Scripture:** *Proverbs 13:22*

*Let my life produce fruit and influence that honors You for generations.*

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## **5. Prayer for Women in Leadership**

**Scripture:** *Esther 4:14*

*Strengthen women serving in ministry, leadership, family, business, and community influence.*

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## **6. Prayer for Stewardship and Maturity**

**Scripture:** Luke 16:10

*Teach me to steward faithfully every opportunity, responsibility, and influence entrusted to me.*

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## 7. Prayer for Continued Spiritual Growth

**Scripture:** Colossians 2:7

*Root me deeply in wisdom, truth, humility, and spiritual maturity.*

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## Declarations

1.

*I will walk wisely in every assignment God has entrusted to me.*

**James 1:5**

2.

*God is establishing wisdom, endurance, and maturity within me.*

**Colossians 2:7**

3.

*I will build carefully, lead humbly, and steward faithfully.*

**Luke 16:10**

4.

*My life will produce lasting fruit and godly legacy.*

**Proverbs 13:22**

## 5.

*Wisdom will sustain my leadership long after visibility changes.*

**Proverbs 4:7**

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## Final Commissioning Prayer

*Father, thank You for walking with us through this journey of wisdom and formation.*

*Thank You for every lesson, every correction, every hidden season, every moment of growth, and every act of Your faithfulness.*

*Now as we go forward, establish us as wise women who build what lasts.*

*Give us wisdom to lead,  
grace to endure,  
discernment to steward well,  
humility to remain teachable,  
and courage to walk faithfully in every assignment You have ordained for us.*

*May our homes reflect wisdom.  
May our leadership reflect maturity.  
May our relationships reflect grace.  
May our lives reflect Christ.*

*And may the fruit of this journey continue producing lasting transformation for generations to come.*

*In Jesus' name, Amen.*

— Gloria Ngwendson

Yes — I do. Based on your earlier revisions and the tone you consistently preferred, this is the strongest polished version for the devotional:

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*Salvation is the beginning. Formation is the journey. And becoming like Christ is the lifelong work of God's faithful hand.*

— Gloria Ngwendson

## Dedication

To every woman and leader who journeyed through this fast, both now and in the days to come:

May these reflections, prayers, corrections, and moments of wisdom leave an indelible mark upon your life and leadership.

May you grow not only in knowledge, but in discernment, maturity, endurance, and the fear of the Lord.

May God establish you as a wise builder, faithful steward, and enduring vessel for His glory.

And may the seeds planted during this journey continue to bear fruit long after this season has passed.

With prayer and expectation,

**Gloria Ngwendson**

### Final Thanksgiving Note

As we conclude these 21 days of prayer and fasting, my heart is filled with gratitude to God for all He has done among us. What began as a gathering of

women seeking wisdom became a sacred journey of growth, sharpening, healing, prayer, and transformation.

To every woman who joined faithfully, prayed fervently, participated consistently, and opened her heart to the work of God, thank you. Your hunger for God and commitment to growth have been deeply inspiring.

A very special thank you to all our speakers and leaders who poured out with wisdom, humility, depth, and grace throughout these 21 days. Your labor in the Word and in prayer did not go unnoticed. I have great confidence in you and in the gifts God has placed within you. Truly, your gifts will make room for you in many places.

I believe God will bring people to partake of the wisdom and fruit He has cultivated within you. Just as a tree heavy with untapped fruit longs to be harvested, and full vessels must pour out, so too the wisdom, insight, and grace within you are meant to bless others. You have labored, grown, and attained wisdom. Now it is time to walk boldly, graciously, and honorably in your places of calling.

This generation desperately needs women who carry both wisdom and substance. And by the grace of God, you are becoming those women.

Special appreciation to our Pastor and Shepherd Ps. Julius Ngwendson, for his steadfast support, encouragement, covering, and presence throughout this journey. Thank you for believing in the vision and standing with us daily so that the voices of these women could be heard. You have truly fathered this ministry with patience, kindness, and consistency. No matter the hour or need, you continually went the extra mile to support and strengthen us. We are deeply grateful.

And to our Apostle, who stood with us faithfully throughout nearly every day of this fast, thank you for your apostolic presence, sacrifice, encouragement, and unwavering support. Your willingness to be ministered to by vessels who happened to be women while openly supporting and strengthening them was a powerful example to us all. Your humility, strength, and leadership left a lasting impact on this journey.

We are not leaving this fast empty-handed.

We are taking wisdom with us into the marketplace, our homes, ministries, businesses, communities, and every place of influence. May the truths of Proverbs 27 continue to live within us long after these 21 days have ended.

To God be all the glory.

Lady Gloria Ngwendson

Women's Leader

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Whether you are leading, learning, praying, or waiting—this journey will help you grow in wisdom that endures.



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Wise women  
build their homes,  
nurture their callings,  
steward their resources,  
and leave a legacy  
that blesses generations.

PROVERBS 14:1



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