Discovering Bartholomew: A Deep Dive into Nathanael's Faith Journey



Explore Bartholomew's life through Scripture, gaining insight into his faith, character, and encounter with Jesus across 21 days.





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Introduction

Welcome to a transformative 21-day Bible study focused on Bartholomew, also known as Nathanael. This disciple of Jesus, while often overshadowed by others, offers rich spiritual lessons through his journey of faith, honesty, and devotion. Over the next three weeks, you will explore the nuances of his life as revealed in key passages of Scripture, deepening your understanding of what it truly means to follow Christ.

Bartholomew's story invites us to examine our own hearts and trust in Jesus amid doubts and challenges. Known primarily by the name Nathanael in John's Gospel, he is introduced with a mix of skepticism and openness that many believers can relate to. Today, we often overlook how his genuine questioning leads to a profound encounter with Jesus that transforms his life.

Throughout this study, expect to meet a man who starts as skeptical but becomes a firm witness to Jesus' divine identity. We will look into his faith, his response to the call, and his role among the apostles. Each day will uncover insights to inspire you to grow in faithfulness, authenticity, and courage.

Let this journey strengthen your personal walk with God, challenge your assumptions about belief, and deepen your reliance on Scripture as a living guide. As we unpack Bartholomew's life, may you recognize the ways God meets you right where you are and calls you forward.















Your Verse

John 1:45–49 NIV – "Philip found Nathanael and told him, 'We have found the one Moses wrote about...Jesus of Nazareth."

Supporting Scriptures

- Matthew 10:3 NIV 'Bartholomew was listed among the twelve apostles chosen by Jesus.'
- Mark 3:18 NIV 'Bartholomew is named in the list of Jesus' twelve disciples.'







Devotional: From Skepticism to Faith: Bartholomew's Honest Beginning

Bartholomew's introduction in Scripture offers a powerful reminder: God often calls ordinary people to extraordinary purposes. In John 1, we see Nathanael's initial skepticism when Philip shares the news about Jesus. "Can anything good come from Nazareth?" he asks, revealing his honest doubts.

Yet this skepticism quickly gives way to a remarkable confession of faith when he meets Jesus. This accelerated journey from doubt to belief invites us to hold our questions honestly before God, confident that He meets us in those moments. Bartholomew embodies the believer's path from curiosity to conviction.

As we start this study, consider your own initial responses to God's call. Like Bartholomew, you may wrestle with doubts or assumptions—but God's grace is sufficient and transformative.







Reflect and Apply

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Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about a time you questioned your faith or God's plan.
	Describe how you imagine Bartholomew felt when first hearing about Jesus.
3.	List any doubts you have about your spiritual journey right now.







Prayer for Today

Lord, thank You for meeting us wherever we are, even in doubt and uncertainty. Help me to be honest with You as Bartholomew was, trusting that You can transform my questions into deeper faith. Guide me through this journey to know You more fully and follow You more closely every day. *Amen.*









Day 2: Meeting Jesus: Revelation and Response









Day 2: B Meeting Jesus: Revelation and Response

Your Verse

John 1:47–49 NIV – "Jesus saw Nathanael approaching and said, 'Here truly is an Israelite in whom there is no deceit.'"

Supporting Scriptures

- Psalm 34:18 NIV 'The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.'
- Hebrews 4:13 NIV 'Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight.'







Day 2: Meeting Jesus: Revelation and Response

Devotional: Jesus Sees the Heart: Embracing Authenticity

Jesus' declaration that Nathanael is 'an Israelite in whom there is no deceit' is profound and revealing. Jesus sees into the heart, discerning authenticity beyond outward appearances. For Nathanael, this was not just an introduction but a revelation that pierced to his core.

This moment highlights the intimate knowledge Jesus has of us—even our unspoken thoughts and true character. Nathanael's honest nature is recognized and affirmed by the Messiah Himself. It reminds us that true authenticity before God is valued over superficial piety.

As you reflect today, ask yourself if you are presenting your genuine heart to God or building walls of pretense. Jesus calls us to transparency, promising acceptance and transformation.







Day 2: 💋 Meeting Jesus: Revelation and Response

Reflect and Apply

1.	In what areas of your life do you feel called to be more authentic before God?
2.	How does knowing Jesus sees your heart encourage you?
3.	What barriers might you need to remove to experience transparency with God?







Day 2: **B** Meeting Jesus: Revelation and Response

Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about a time you felt completely known and accepted by God.
2.	Identify specific areas where you struggle with authenticity in your faith.
3.	Pray for courage to be honest and open with God about your true self.







Day 2: Meeting Jesus: Revelation and Response

Prayer for Today

Father, help me to come before You without pretense or fear. Thank You for knowing me fully and loving me still. Give me the grace to embrace authenticity and to walk humbly with You, trusting that Your light exposes what is good and refines what needs to change. *Amen.* *







Day 3: Day Bartholomew's Honest Questions









Day 3: Partholomew's Honest Questions

Your Verse

John 1:46 NIV - 'Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?'

Supporting Scriptures

- James 1:5 NIV 'If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God.'
- Proverbs 3:5-6 NIV 'Trust in the Lord with all your heart.'







Day 3: Partholomew's Honest Questions

Devotional: Faith That Questions: Seeking Wisdom from God

Bartholomew's frank question about Nazareth reveals his critical thinking and willingness to seek truth. Rather than accepting what others say blindly, he tests the claim about Jesus, showing a disciplined and thoughtful faith.

Faith is never opposed to questions; rather, it often begins with them. Bartholomew's example encourages believers to pursue God with both heart and mind. Honest questions can open doors to deeper understanding and trust if brought before God with humility.

As you continue this study, remember that asking God for wisdom and guidance is an invitation to grow. Trust is not the absence of questions but the confidence that God will lead you through them.







Day 3: 💬 Bartholomew's Honest Questions

Reflect and Apply

1.	How comfortable are you with asking God tough questions?
2.	In what ways can questioning strengthen rather than weaken your faith?
	How can you cultivate both heart and mind in your relationship with God?







Day 3: 💬 Bartholomew's Honest Questions

Journaling Prompts

1.	List questions you have about your faith or about God right now.
2.	Describe how you approach God when you don't have all the answers.
3.	Write a prayer asking God for wisdom to navigate doubts.







Day 3: Day Bartholomew's Honest Questions

Prayer for Today

Lord, thank You for welcoming my questions and doubts. Please grant me wisdom and patience as I seek to understand Your ways. Help me to trust You even when the answers are not immediate, knowing You are faithful to guide every step. *Amen.* \bigcirc \bigcirc

















Day 4: 🔥 Encounter with the Son of God

Your Verse

John 1:49 NIV - 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the King of Israel.'

Supporting Scriptures

- John 20:31 NIV 'These are written that you may believe Jesus is the Messiah.'
- Romans 10:9 NIV 'If you declare with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart.'







Day 4: 🔥 Encounter with the Son of God

Devotional: Transforming Encounter: Confessing Christ's Lordship

Nathanael's immediate confession acknowledges Jesus' divine identity and kingship. This pivotal moment marks the transformation that comes from personal encounter with Christ. It is a powerful example of how meeting Jesus can shift skepticism into worship.

Faith is deeply relational. Like Bartholomew, when we truly encounter Jesus, our lives change. Recognizing Him as both Son of God and King challenges us to trust and submit daily.

Reflect on your own encounter with Jesus. How has it shaped your view of who He is and your place in His kingdom?







Day 4: 🖰 Encounter with the Son of God

Reflect and Apply

1.	What does it mean for you to declare Jesus as Son of God?
2.	How has your own encounter with Jesus changed your life perspective?
3.	In what ways can you grow in submitting to His kingship daily?







Day 4: 🖰 Encounter with the Son of God

Journaling Prompts

Write your personal testimony of meeting Jesus or growing in faith.
Reflect on how declaring Jesus as Lord affects your decisions.
Pray for deeper understanding and commitment to Christ's authority.







Day 4: 6 Encounter with the Son of God

Prayer for Today

Jesus, You are Lord and King. I confess You as Son of God and surrender my life to Your reign. Teach me to follow You wholeheartedly and to worship You in spirit and truth. Fill me with Your Spirit to live as Your faithful disciple.

Amen. 🗀 🙏 💍

















Day 5: 🎔 The Calling of Bartholomew

Your Verse

Matthew 10:3 NIV – 'Bartholomew was one of the twelve apostles Jesus sent out.'

Supporting Scriptures

- Luke 5:10 NIV 'Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people."
- 2 Timothy 4:5 NIV 'Discharge all the duties of your ministry.'







Day 5: 🎔 The Calling of Bartholomew

Devotional: Answering God's Call: Bartholomew's Apostleship

Bartholomew's calling as an apostle reminds us that God chooses ordinary people for extraordinary missions. His name appears in the lists of the twelve apostles, confirming his integral role in Jesus' ministry and the early church.

God's call involves not just invitation but also commissioning. Bartholomew's life exemplifies obedience and willingness to follow Jesus' call despite unknowns. His followers are urged likewise to heed God's call with courage.

Consider today the unique calling God has placed on your life, and whether you have responded with openness and trust.







Day 5: 🍑 The Calling of Bartholomew

Reflect and Apply

1.	How have you experienced God's call in your own life?
2.	What fears or reservations do you have about following God's invitation?
3.	How can you obey God's call with greater faith and courage?







Day 5: 🍑 The Calling of Bartholomew

Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about a time God asked you to step out in faith or service.
2.	Identify ways you can grow in obedience to God today.
3.	Pray asking God to confirm His calling on your life.







Day 5: 🎔 The Calling of Bartholomew

Prayer for Today

Lord, thank You for calling me to serve in Your kingdom. Help me to respond like Bartholomew—with faithfulness despite uncertainty. Strengthen me to obey wholeheartedly and fulfill all You have planned. Use my life for Your glory. *Amen.* & 🙏 🛠







Day 6: Day Bartholomew's Witnessing Role









Day 6: Day Bartholomew's Witnessing Role

Your Verse

Acts 1:13 NIV – 'When they arrived, they went upstairs to the room where they were staying, Peter, John, James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew...'

Supporting Scriptures

- Acts 1:8 NIV 'You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you.'
- 2 Corinthians 5:20 NIV 'We are therefore Christ's ambassadors.'







Devotional: Being a Witness: Empowered by the Spirit

Though Bartholomew's specific adventures are not recorded in detail, Scripture shows us he was part of the early witnessing community. As one of the apostles present at Pentecost, he stood with believers empowered by the Holy Spirit to proclaim Christ boldly.

Bartholomew's role calls us to remember that every follower of Jesus is called to be a witness. Our faith becomes meaningful when shared authentically with others, empowered by God's Spirit.

Reflect on how you can be a witness in your community and trust the Spirit to equip you.







Reflect and Apply

1.	How do you currently share your faith with others?
2.	In what ways can the Holy Spirit empower your witness daily?
3.	What fears or obstacles hold you back from bold testimony?







Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about a time you shared your faith and what you learned.
2.	List practical ways to witness more intentionally in your circles.
3.	Pray for Holy Spirit boldness and wisdom in witnessing.







Prayer for Today

Holy Spirit, fill me and empower me to be a faithful witness. Help me to speak truth in love and live out my faith courageously. May my life draw others to Jesus by Your strength. *Amen.* 🖰 🙏 😂







Day 7: P Lessons from Bartholomew's Discipleship









Day 7: V Lessons from Bartholomew's Discipleship

Your Verse

John 21:20–21 NIV – 'Peter turned and saw that the disciple Jesus loved was following them. This was the one who had leaned back against Jesus at the supper and had said, "Lord, who is going to betray you?"

Supporting Scriptures

- Luke 9:23 NIV 'Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily.'
- Philippians 3:14 NIV 'I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me.'







Day 7: O Lessons from Bartholomew's Discipleship

Devotional: Discipleship: Commitment and Daily Surrender

Though Bartholomew is not explicitly named here, as a close follower, his discipleship reflected dedication and intimacy with Jesus. Discipleship involves closeness, learning, and commitment to Christ's mission.

Bartholomew's example challenges believers to pursue Christ earnestly amid life's distractions. To take up our cross daily means embracing sacrifice, growth, and transformation.

Look today at your walk with Jesus. Are you pressing on with perseverance and love?







Day 7: \bigcirc Lessons from Bartholomew's Discipleship

Reflect and Apply

1.	What does it mean for you to take up your cross daily?
2.	How can you grow in intimacy and learning with Jesus?
3.	Where might easier paths be tempting you away from true discipleship?







Day 7: \bigcirc Lessons from Bartholomew's Discipleship

Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about how you currently express commitment to Jesus.
2.	List ways you can deepen your daily surrender to Christ.
3.	Pray for strength to persevere in your faith journey.







Day 7: V Lessons from Bartholomew's Discipleship

Prayer for Today

















Day 8: Taith under Trial

Your Verse

Hebrews 11:6 NIV - 'Without faith it is impossible to please God.'

Supporting Scriptures

- James 1:12 NIV 'Blessed is the one who perseveres under trial.'
- 1 Peter 1:6-7 NIV 'You may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials.'







Day 8: Taith under Trial

Devotional: Faith That Endures: Strength Through Trials

Though not detailed in Scripture, historical tradition holds that Bartholomew endured persecution for his faith. The testing of faith is a universal theme in the believer's journey.

Bartholomew's faith likely faced trials that strengthened his trust in God. Such perseverance glorifies God and develops spiritual maturity.

Today, remember that challenges refine faith. We are invited to rely on God's promises and remain steadfast, knowing He is with us through every test.







Day 8: 🚹 Bartholomew's Faith under Trial

Reflect and Apply

1.	How have past trials shaped your faith and character?
2.	What helps you to remain steadfast during difficulties?
3.	How can you encourage others facing tests of faith?







Day 8: 🚹 Bartholomew's Faith under Trial

Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about a recent challenge and how God sustained you.
2.	Identify scriptures or truths that comfort and strengthen you.
3.	Pray for grace to endure current or future trials.







Day 8: Taith under Trial

Prayer for Today

God, in times of trial, be my strength and refuge. Help me to persevere with faith and to find joy in Your presence. Teach me to trust You more deeply each day. *Amen.* &

















Your Verse

Mark 10:44 NIV - 'Whoever wants to be first must be slave of all.'

Supporting Scriptures

- Philippians 2:3-4 NIV 'Value others above yourselves.'
- Matthew 23:11 NIV 'The greatest among you will be your servant.'







Devotional: The Power of Humble Service in Faith

Bartholomew's quiet faith embodies humility and service to others. The call to servanthood is central to following Jesus, who exemplified ultimate humility.

Though not a leading figure in most Biblical accounts, Bartholomew's faithful witness reminds us that it is not status but heart attitude that counts. Serving others reflects Christ's love and advances God's kingdom.

Consider where God might be calling you to serve with humility today.







Reflect and Apply

1.	How do you express humility in your daily life?
2.	What opportunities for servant leadership are before you?
3.	How can serving others reflect Christ's love more fully?







Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about a time you served selflessly and what you learned.
2.	List people or causes you feel called to serve.
3.	Pray for a humble and servant-hearted spirit.







Prayer for Today

Lord Jesus, cultivate in me a heart of humility and service. Teach me to love others without seeking recognition, following Your example. May my life glorify You through selfless acts. *Amen.* 😂 💙 🙏















Your Verse

Acts 8:26-40 NIV - (Philip and Ethiopian eunuch, representing early mission spirit)

Supporting Scriptures

- Matthew 28:19–20 NIV 'Go and make disciples of all nations.'
- Romans 10:14 NIV 'How can they believe without someone preaching to them?'







Devotional: Called to Share the Gospel Across Borders

Though not recorded directly, tradition suggests Bartholomew shared the Gospel abroad, possibly in Armenia and India. The Great Commission calls all believers to participate in spreading the Good News globally.

Bartholomew's life challenges us to embrace a mission mindset, reflecting God's heart for all peoples. Even if our mission field is local, the call is universal.

Ask yourself how you can be part of God's global or local mission today.







Reflect and Apply

1.	How do you understand your role in God's mission?
2.	What barriers might prevent you from embracing the Great Commission?
3.	How can you support mission efforts, near or far?







Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about your personal calling to mission or service.
2.	List ways to support evangelism in your community.
3.	Pray for boldness to proclaim Christ wherever you are.







Prayer for Today

Father, send me where You would have me go to share Your love. Open my eyes to mission opportunities and empower me to be Your witness. May Your Gospel reach every corner of the earth through me. *Amen.* \bigcirc \bigwedge

















Day 11: V Faith and Spiritual Warfare

Your Verse

Ephesians 6:11 NIV - 'Put on the full armor of God.'

Supporting Scriptures

- 2 Corinthians 10:4 NIV 'The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world.'
- James 4:7 NIV 'Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil.'







Day 11: V Faith and Spiritual Warfare

Devotional: Equipped to Stand: Spiritual Armor for Believers

Bartholomew's steadfast commitment implies spiritual readiness to face opposition. While details are sparse, enduring trials and mission would require reliance on God's armor.

Paul's teaching reminds us that faith involves active resistance against spiritual forces. We are called to be alert, clothed in truth, righteousness, and peace.

Reflect on your spiritual life. Are you equipped and alert to stand firm?







Day 11: **(**) Faith and Spiritual Warfare

Reflect and Apply

1.	What spiritual weapons are you employing in your daily life?
2.	How can you grow in awareness of spiritual battles?
3.	Where do you need God's strength to stand firm?







Day 11: **(**) Faith and Spiritual Warfare

Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about areas where you feel spiritually vulnerable.
2.	List elements of God's armor you want to put on more fully.
3.	Pray for protection and strength against spiritual attacks.







Day 11: V Faith and Spiritual Warfare

Prayer for Today

Lord, equip me with Your armor to stand firm in faith. Protect my heart and mind from the enemy's schemes, and fill me with Your power. Help me remain strong and faithful in every challenge. *Amen.* •







Day 12: BGrowing in Faith and Wisdom









Day 12: **B** Growing in Faith and Wisdom

Your Verse

Colossians 1:9 NIV - 'We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will.'

Supporting Scriptures

- Proverbs 2:6 NIV 'For the Lord gives wisdom.'
- James 3:17 NIV 'Wisdom from heaven is first of all pure.'







Day 12: B Growing in Faith and Wisdom

Devotional: Seeking God's Wisdom in Our Faith Journey

Bartholomew's life reflects growth in wisdom and understanding through relationship with Jesus. Our spiritual journey involves ongoing learning and maturity.

Paul's prayer for the Colossians encourages believers to seek God's wisdom and discernment earnestly. Faith without wisdom can falter.

Ask God daily for insight, so that you may walk worthy and glorify Him.







Day 12: 💋 Growing in Faith and Wisdom

Reflect and Apply

1.	How do you pursue spiritual wisdom and knowledge?
2.	In what areas of your life do you need God's guidance most?
3.	What steps can you take to grow in discernment?







Day 12: 💋 Growing in Faith and Wisdom

Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about ways you currently seek God's wisdom.
2.	Identify specific decisions or situations needing prayer for guidance.
3.	Pray for God's knowledge and wisdom to shape your path.







Day 12: **B** Growing in Faith and Wisdom

Prayer for Today

Father, fill me with Your wisdom and understanding. Teach me to walk in Your will and make choices that honor You. Let Your Spirit lead me in every step. *Amen.* ☐ ⚠ ❖















Your Verse

1 John 4:7 NIV - 'Let us love one another, for love comes from God.'

Supporting Scriptures

- John 13:34 NIV 'Love one another as I have loved you.'
- Romans 13:10 NIV 'Love does no harm to a neighbor.'







Devotional: Living Faith through God's Love for All

Bartholomew's genuine character likely reflected Christlike love in his relationships. Love is the hallmark of authentic faith, evidenced in service, sacrifice, and grace.

The New Testament emphasizes that love fulfills God's law. As believers, we are called to demonstrate God's love to others as an extension of our love for Him.

Investigate how your faith expresses love tangibly to those around you.







Reflect and Apply

1.	How does your faith inspire kindness and sacrifice?
2.	In what ways can you love more deeply or intentionally?
3.	Are there barriers preventing you from loving certain people well?







Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about a time you experienced God's love through others.
2.	List people you feel called to show God's love to.
3.	Pray for a heart that loves as Christ loves.







Prayer for Today

Jesus, teach me to love as You love. Remove any hardness or fear and fill me with compassion. May my life be a reflection of Your perfect love to everyone I encounter. *Amen.* \heartsuit \bigwedge















Your Verse

Ecclesiastes 3:1 NIV - 'There is a time for everything.'

Supporting Scriptures

- Psalm 27:14 NIV 'Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart.'
- Isaiah 40:31 NIV 'Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength.'







Devotional: Waiting with Hope: Trusting God's Perfect Timing

The journey of Bartholomew's faith likely involved waiting and trusting God's perfect timing. Patience is essential for spiritual maturity and answering God's call effectively.

Trusting God's timing challenges our desire for immediate answers. Yet, it prepares our hearts and strengthens faith.

Reflect on areas where you are waiting for God and seek patience and hope in Him.







Reflect and Apply

1.	What seasons of waiting has God brought you through recently?
2.	How do you maintain hope and strength during delays?
3.	How can you encourage others to trust God's timing?







Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about a difficult period of waiting and what you learned.
2.	List scriptures or truths that help you stay patient.
3.	Pray for renewed hope and perseverance in waiting.







Prayer for Today

Lord, teach me to trust Your perfect timing. Strengthen me to wait patiently and remain faithful, knowing You are working all things together for good. Renew my hope and courage daily. *Amen.* $\Sigma \wedge \$$















Your Verse

Acts 2:42 NIV - 'They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship.'

Supporting Scriptures

- Hebrews 10:24–25 NIV 'Encourage one another daily.'
- Romans 12:5 NIV 'We, though many, are one body in Christ.'







Devotional: Faith Thrives within Christian Community

Bartholomew's participation with the early church underscores the value of fellowship in the Christian life. Community encourages growth, accountability, and strength.

We are not called to walk alone. Engagement with other believers nurtures faith and provides mutual support.

Look at your own fellowship connections today. How can you deepen relationships in Christ's body?







Reflect and Apply

1.	How does community impact your spiritual journey?
2.	Are there barriers keeping you from fuller fellowship?
3.	What gifts do you bring to enrich your faith community?







Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about a meaningful fellowship experience.
2.	List friends or groups that encourage your faith.
3.	Pray for unity and love within your community.





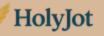


Prayer for Today

Jesus, help me to love and serve my brothers and sisters in faith. Foster unity and encouragement in our fellowship, and keep us rooted in Your truth and love. *Amen.* 💝 🙏 🥦















Your Verse

1 Peter 5:6 NIV - 'Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand.'

Supporting Scriptures

- Galatians 5:13 NIV 'Serve one another humbly in love.'
- Matthew 23:12 NIV 'Whoever exalts himself will be humbled.'







Devotional: Strength in Serving Others Humbly

Bartholomew shows that true strength in faith comes through humble service. God lifts the humble and uses them powerfully.

Humility is not weakness, but a posture of openness to God's work and others' needs.

Consider how humility impacts your leadership and relationships today.







Reflect and Apply

1.	What does humility look like in your life?
2.	How do you respond when called to serve sacrificially?
3.	Where can you practice greater humility this week?







Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about a time humility led to spiritual growth.
2.	Identify situations where you can serve more humbly.
3.	Pray for a humble heart and servant's mindset.







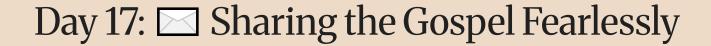
Prayer for Today

Lord, humble my heart and strengthen me to serve with love. Teach me to put others above myself and reflect Christ's humility. *Amen.* 6

















Your Verse

Acts 4:29 NIV - 'Enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness.'

Supporting Scriptures

- 2 Timothy 1:7 NIV 'God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power.'
- Matthew 28:20 NIV 'I am with you always.'







Devotional: Boldness Powered by God's Spirit

Bartholomew's steadfastness encourages us to speak boldly for Christ despite opposition or fear. The Spirit empowers us beyond natural courage.

Boldness comes from trusting God's presence and authority to speak the truth in love.

Examine your willingness to share faith openly and depend on God's power.







Reflect and Apply

1.	What fears hold you back from sharing your faith?
2.	How can you rely more on the Holy Spirit's power?
3.	Who can you encourage through a bold testimony this week?







Journaling Prompts

Write about a time you spoke boldly about Jesus.
List ways to grow in confidence and prayer for boldness.
Pray for courage to proclaim the Gospel fearlessly.







Prayer for Today

Holy Spirit, fill me with boldness to proclaim Your word. Cast out fear and empower me to shine Your light clearly wherever I go. *Amen.* 6

















Day 18: 🎇 Living as a Light in Darkness

Your Verse

Matthew 5:14 NIV - 'You are the light of the world.'

Supporting Scriptures

- Philippians 2:15 NIV 'Shine among them like stars in the sky.'
- Ephesians 5:8 NIV 'Live as children of light.'







Day 18: 🎇 Living as a Light in Darkness

Devotional: Shining Bright: Reflecting Christ's Light Daily

Bartholomew's faithful walk invites us to be lights in a dark world. Christ's followers radiate His love and truth, influencing culture by example.

This call requires intentionality and courage to live with integrity and hope.

Reflect on how your life reflects God's light to those around you today.







Day 18: 💥 Living as a Light in Darkness

Reflect and Apply

1.	How does your lifestyle reflect God's light?
2.	Where can you increase your witness by example?
3.	What darkness around you needs God's illumination?







Day 18: 💥 Living as a Light in Darkness

Journaling Prompts

1.	Describe ways you've brightly witnessed God's love recently.
2.	List habits or attitudes that dim your light.
3.	Pray for strength to live visibly for Christ.







Day 18: 🎇 Living as a Light in Darkness

Prayer for Today

Jesus, help me to shine Your light boldly. May my actions and words draw others to Your truth and love. Let Your glory be reflected in all I do. *Amen.* **









Day 19: 🥰 Filled with the Holy Spirit









Day 19: W Filled with the Holy Spirit

Your Verse

Acts 2:4 NIV - 'They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak.'

Supporting Scriptures

- Romans 8:14 NIV 'Those who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.'
- Galatians 5:22–23 NIV 'Fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace...'







Day 19: 😂 Filled with the Holy Spirit

Devotional: Spirit Empowered: Living in God's Power

Bartholomew, as part of the early church, experienced the empowerment of the Holy Spirit. Spirit-filled living brings transformation and effectiveness in ministry.

The Spirit molds character and enables supernatural boldness, producing fruit in believers' lives.

Ask today for a fresh filling of the Holy Spirit to grow in faith and fruitfulness.







Day 19: 🥰 Filled with the Holy Spirit

Reflect and Apply

1.	How do you experience the Holy Spirit's guidance?
2.	Which fruits of the Spirit are evident in your life?
3.	Where do you desire greater Spirit-led growth?







Day 19: 🥰 Filled with the Holy Spirit

Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about a time you sensed the Spirit's power in your life.
2.	List spiritual fruits you seek to develop.
3.	Pray for a renewed filling of the Holy Spirit.







Day 19: W Filled with the Holy Spirit

Prayer for Today

Holy Spirit, come and fill me anew. Empower me to live in love, joy, peace, and all the fruit You produce. Guide me daily in Your truth. *Amen.* 🔾 🙏 🥬

















Day 20: Phope in Eternal Promises

Your Verse

Titus 1:2 NIV - 'Hope of eternal life, which God, who does not lie, promised before the beginning of time.'

Supporting Scriptures

- Revelation 21:4 NIV 'He will wipe every tear.'
- Romans 8:38–39 NIV 'Nothing can separate us from the love of God.'







Day 20: Phope in Eternal Promises

Devotional: Anchored Hope: Trusting God's Eternal Promise

Bartholomew's faith sustained by hope points us to God's eternal promises. In trials and uncertainties, hope anchors the soul.

Believers are encouraged to fix their eyes on the future with confidence in God's faithfulness and love.

Reflect on the hope you hold and how it shapes your daily walk.







Day 20: 6 Hope in Eternal Promises

Reflect and Apply

1.	How does hope in eternity affect your present life?
2.	What assurance do you have in God's promises?
3.	How can you encourage others with the message of hope?







Day 20: 6 Hope in Eternal Promises

Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about what eternal hope means to you.
2.	List moments when God's promises brought comfort.
3.	Pray for strengthened hope and assurance.







Day 20: Phope in Eternal Promises

Prayer for Today

God, thank You for the glorious hope of eternal life. Help me to live with this hope bright in my heart, even during storms. Sustain me in Your promises. *Amen.* \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc







Day 21: الله Living Out Bartholomew's Legacy









Day 21: 🥕 Living Out Bartholomew's Legacy

Your Verse

2 Timothy 4:7 NIV - 'I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race.'

Supporting Scriptures

- Hebrews 12:1 NIV 'Run with perseverance the race marked out for us.'
- Philippians 3:13–14 NIV 'Press on toward the goal for the prize.'







Day 21: 🥕 Living Out Bartholomew's Legacy

Devotional: Faithful Finish: Pressing On in the Christian Race

Bartholomew's faithfulness offers us a legacy of commitment, courage, and witness. As we conclude this study, consider finishing your own spiritual race with endurance.

God calls each believer to persevere, press forward, and hold fast to faith until the end.

May Bartholomew's journey inspire you to live boldly for Christ, impacting lives for eternity.







Day 21: 🕭 Living Out Bartholomew's Legacy

Reflect and Apply

1.	What spiritual goals do you desire to achieve?
2.	How can you sustain endurance in your walk with God?
3.	What legacy of faith do you want to leave behind?







Day 21: 🕭 Living Out Bartholomew's Legacy

Journaling Prompts

1.	Write your personal commitments for faith growth.
2.	Identify obstacles needing prayer for perseverance.
3.	Pray for God's strength to complete your race faithfully.







Day 21: 🥕 Living Out Bartholomew's Legacy

Prayer for Today

Lord, help me to fight the good fight and finish well. Fill me with perseverance and passion to follow You until the end. May my life glorify You and inspire others. *Amen.* >







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