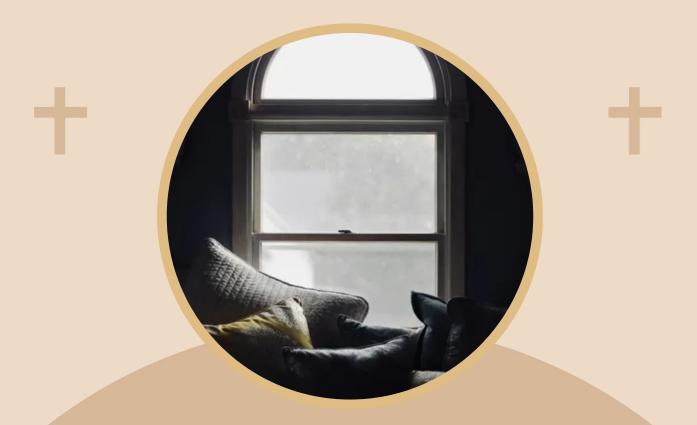
# Gratitude for Shelter and Home



Explore seven days of Scripture reflecting on thankfulness for the shelter and home God provides in our lives.





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#### Introduction

**Gratitude** is a powerful spiritual practice that transforms our hearts and draws us closer to God. When we focus on the simple yet profound blessings of shelter and home, we begin to see God's provision and care in new ways. A place to rest, a space to belong, and a refuge from the storms of life are gifts not to be taken for granted.

Throughout this 7-day journey, we will explore Scripture that highlights the blessings of having a home, whether it be physical shelter or the spiritual security found in God's presence. We will reflect on how gratitude for these blessings shapes our relationship with God and others.

Home is more than walls and a roof; it is where we find comfort, safety, and an invitation to grow in love and faith. As you walk through these days, allow your heart to be stirred by God's steadfast provision and be inspired to express deep thankfulness for the shelter you have, whether big or small. Let's cultivate a heart of gratitude that overflows, recognizing **God as our ultimate refuge and provider**.















#### Your Verse

Psalm 91:1 - "Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Psalm 27:5 "For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in his dwelling; he will hide me in the shelter of his sacred tent."
- Proverbs 18:10 "The name of the Lord is a fortified tower; the righteous run to it and are safe."







#### Devotional: God Is Our Ultimate Shelter and Refuge

Our starting point in gratitude is recognizing God Himself as our shelter. Psalm 91 paints a beautiful picture of God's protection—a refuge where we find rest and safety. In times of uncertainty, it's comforting to know that God is our safe place, our fortress.

When we consider gratitude for our physical homes, this truth calls us to look deeper: the shelter we have at hand points us to God's greater shelter over our lives. Whether your home is spacious or humble, permanent or temporary, God's presence is the ultimate place of refuge that never changes.

*Gratitude begins with perspective.* Taking time to see God as our shelter invites peace amid life's storms. Today, reflect on how God's protective presence offers a home for your soul, and let that inspire your thanksgiving.







#### Reflect and Apply

1.	How does knowing God is my shelter change the way I view physical hardships?
2.	In what ways can I see God's protection in my current living situation?
3.	How can gratitude for God's shelter shape my daily attitude?







#### **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Write about a time you felt God's protection like a shelter.
2.	Describe your current home and what makes it a place of safety.
3.	List three blessings you see in your shelter or home right now.







#### Prayer for Today

Heavenly Father, thank You for being my refuge and stronghold. Even when earthly circumstances feel uncertain, You are my unshakable shelter. Help me to rest confidently under Your protection and to be grateful each day for the home You provide, both seen and unseen. Teach me to trust You fully and to celebrate Your presence over every aspect of my life. *Thank You for Your faithful care.* In Jesus' name, Amen.  $\bigwedge$   $\bigwedge$   $\bigvee$   $\bigvee$ 







## Day 2: 🔑 Finding Rest in God's Provision









Day 2: **B** Finding Rest in God's Provision

#### Your Verse

Matthew 11:28 - "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Psalm 4:8 "In peace I will lie down and sleep, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety."
- Isaiah 32:18 "My people will live in peaceful dwelling places, in secure homes, in undisturbed places of rest."







Day 2: 💋 Finding Rest in God's Provision

## Devotional: Resting in God's Spiritual and Physical Shelter

Physical shelter brings us rest, and God invites us to a deeper rest for our souls. Jesus extends an open invitation to all who are weary to find rest in Him. Sheltering in God's presence refreshes our hearts beyond what any home can offer.

While a physical home provides safety and comfort, it is only a shadow of the rest God desires for us. True peace is found in a relationship with Him. As you reflect today, consider the ways God has provided rest through your home and through His spiritual care.

*Gratitude leaves no room for anxiety* when we trust God's provision. Rest is a gift, both given through earthly shelter and through the grace of Jesus Christ.







Day 2: 🥬 Finding Rest in God's Provision

#### Reflect and Apply

1.	How does Jesus' invitation to rest impact your view of home and shelter?
2.	What differences do you notice between physical rest and spiritual rest?
3.	How can I cultivate gratitude for both types of rest in my life?







Day 2: 🥬 Finding Rest in God's Provision

#### **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Write about the last time you felt truly rested in your home.
2.	Reflect on ways God has invited you to rest spiritually.
3.	List ways you can create a more restful environment at home.







Day 2: **B** Finding Rest in God's Provision

#### **Prayer for Today**

Lord Jesus, thank You for calling me to come to You when I am weary. Help me to embrace the rest You freely offer and to see my home as a gift that supports that rest. Teach me to release my burdens into Your care and to be thankful for each peaceful moment You grant me. Guide me to be a source of rest and comfort to those around me. In Your gentle name, Amen. 😂 🏠 🛂







## Day 3: V Safety and Security in God's Care









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#### Your Verse

Psalm 61:4 - "I long to dwell in your tent forever and take refuge in the shelter of your wings."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Psalm 34:4 "I sought the Lord, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears."
- Nahum 1:7 "The Lord is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in him."







Day 3: () Safety and Security in God's Care

#### Devotional: God's Wings: Our Shelter and Security

**Feeling safe is fundamental to gratitude for home.** The psalmist's longing to dwell in God's tent reveals a deep hunger for spiritual security. When we face fear or uncertainty, God invites us to take refuge under His protective care.

Physical shelter offers protection from the elements and harm, yet God's care transcends these limitations. He is our constant refuge, providing emotional and spiritual safety beyond any earthly home.

Gratitude grows when we remember God's goodness and faithful protection. No matter what challenges arise, He is the anchor of our souls. Today, give thanks for the security your home provides and, most importantly, for God's unwavering care over your life.







Day 3:  $\P$  Safety and Security in God's Care

#### Reflect and Apply

1.	In what ways does God provide safety beyond my physical home?
2.	How can I experience God's refuge during difficult times?
3.	What fears can I bring to God right now, trusting in His protection?







Day 3:  $\P$  Safety and Security in God's Care

#### **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Describe a moment when God helped you overcome fear.
2.	Write about how your home symbolizes safety for you.
3.	List ways God has shown His care in your life recently.







Day 3: () Safety and Security in God's Care

#### Prayer for Today

**God of refuge,** thank You for being my shelter in times of trouble. When fears arise, remind me to turn to You and trust Your steady protection. Help me feel secure in Your care and to be thankful for the safety my home brings. May I also extend Your peace to others needing refuge today. Strengthen my faith and calm my heart. In Jesus' name, Amen. 😂 🔾 🔝















#### Your Verse

Ephesians 2:19 – "You are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Romans 12:10 "Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves."
- Hebrews 13:2 "Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it."







#### Devotional: Homes Filled with Love and Fellowship

Home is not just a physical space—it's a place of love, connection, and belonging. In Ephesians, Paul reminds us that through Christ, we are part of God's household. This spiritual home transcends bricks and mortar to include fellowship, acceptance, and mutual care.

Gratitude for shelter is incomplete without gratitude for the relationships our homes nurture. Whether family, friends, or community, these bonds reflect God's love and create an environment where we feel truly at home.

Expressing thankfulness includes valuing those who share our space and showing hospitality to others. Remember that your home is a gift to build God's kingdom in love and unity. Reflect today on the loving relationships that make your shelter meaningful.







#### Reflect and Apply

1.	How do my relationships reflect God's household?
2.	In what ways can I express gratitude through hospitality?
3.	How does belonging to God's family affect the way I view my home?







#### **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Write about people in your home who make it a place of love.
2.	Describe how you can show hospitality this week.
3.	Reflect on your role within God's household.







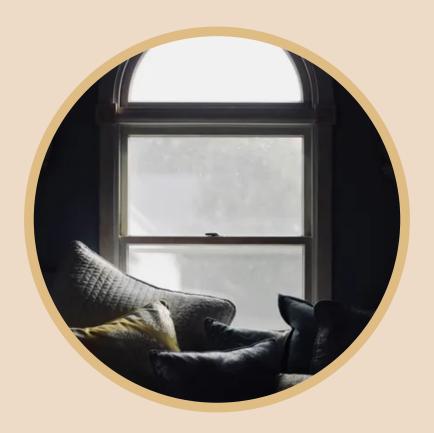
#### Prayer for Today

**Father,** thank You for placing me in a home filled with love and community. Help me to cherish the relationships that bring me belonging and to cultivate a spirit of hospitality. May my home reflect Your love and welcome those in need. Teach me to honor others and grow deeper in fellowship with Your family. In Jesus' name, Amen.  $\heartsuit$   $\bigtriangleup$   $\diamondsuit$ 















#### Your Verse

Philippians 4:19 – "And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Matthew 6:31–32 "So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things... your heavenly Father knows that you need them."
- Psalm 23:1 "The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing."







#### Devotional: God's Faithful Provision in Our Homes

Our homes shelter us, but God provides everything within and beyond those walls. Phil. 4:19 assures us that God knows and supplies our needs out of His abundant riches. Gratitude flourishes when we acknowledge God as the source of provision.

It's easy to focus on what is lacking or uncertain, but Scripture encourages us not to worry because God cares deeply about our daily needs. Seeing provision as God's blessing helps us embrace simplicity and contentment.

When we thank God for daily provision, we nurture trust and joy. Your home becomes a symbol of His faithful care, and each meal, garment, and comfort is a tangible reminder of His love.







#### Reflect and Apply

1.	How has God provided for your needs recently?
2.	What worries about provision can I surrender to God with thanksgiving?
	In what ways can expressing gratitude shift my focus from lack to abundance?







#### **Journaling Prompts**

1.	List ways God has met your needs this week.
2.	Reflect on areas where you struggle to trust God's provision.
3.	Write a prayer thanking God for specific blessings in your home.







#### Prayer for Today

**Gracious Provider,** thank You for meeting all my needs, seen and unseen. Help me to trust fully in Your provision and to give thanks daily for what You supply. Teach me to live contentedly and to see my home as evidence of Your loving care. May my heart overflow with gratitude for Your generosity. In Jesus' name, Amen. **\*** \tilde{\text{Ch}} \tilde{\text{Ch}} \tilde{\text{Ch}}















#### Your Verse

1 Thessalonians 5:18 – "Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- James 1:2-3 "Consider it pure joy... whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance."
- Romans 8:28 "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him."







#### Devotional: Thankful Hearts Amid Life's Storms

Expressing gratitude when our homes or shelter are challenged is a profound act of faith. Paul's call to give thanks in all circumstances reminds us that God's sovereign hand is present even in difficulty.

Sometimes shelter may feel uncertain: a move, repair, conflict, or hardship may threaten our sense of security. Yet our gratitude can rise above these challenges, rooted in trust that God is at work for our good.

Gratitude in adversity strengthens faith, deepens perseverance, and opens us to God's blessings. Reflect on how even unsettled times can shape your spiritual home. Let thanksgiving pave the way for hope and peace.







#### Reflect and Apply

1.	How can I cultivate gratitude when my home life feels unstable?
2.	What lessons might God be teaching me through challenging seasons?
3.	How does trusting God's sovereignty bring peace in trials?







#### **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Write about a recent hardship in your home and possible blessings within it.
2.	List ways you can practice gratitude even in difficult circumstances.
3.	Reflect on Scripture verses that encourage you during challenges.







#### **Prayer for Today**

**God of all comfort,** thank You for Your presence in every situation, good and challenging. Help me to have a thankful heart even when my shelter feels fragile or uncertain. Strengthen my faith, give me perseverance, and remind me that You work all things for my good. May I find peace in Your sovereign care. In Jesus' name, Amen.  $\bigcirc$   $\bigcirc$   $\bigcirc$   $\bigcirc$   $\bigcirc$ 







## Day 7: 🥕 Celebrating God's Eternal Home









Day 7: 🕭 Celebrating God's Eternal Home

#### Your Verse

Revelation 21:3-4 - "And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people... He will wipe every tear from their eyes."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- John 14:2 "My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you?"
- Hebrews 11:10 "For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God."







Day 7: 🏂 Celebrating God's Eternal Home

#### Devotional: Grateful for Our Eternal Heavenly Home

Our gratitude for shelter and home ultimately points us toward an eternal hope. Scripture promises that God will dwell with His people forever in a perfected home, free from pain, fear, and loss.

This future home is the culmination of God's grace—a place where every tear is wiped away and love reigns perfectly. Thinking about this hope encourages thankfulness not only for our present homes but for the ultimate promise of belonging with God forever.

Celebrate this eternal home with a heart full of gratitude, knowing that our temporal shelters are a glimpse of God's everlasting kingdom. Let this hope inspire joy and peace today and always.







Day 7: 🕭 Celebrating God's Eternal Home

#### Reflect and Apply

	How does the promise of God's eternal home influence my gratitude for my earthly home?
2.	What comfort do I find in the hope of dwelling with God forever?
3.	How can I live today in light of my future home with God?







Day 7: 🏂 Celebrating God's Eternal Home

#### **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Describe your feelings about the promise of an eternal home.
2.	Write how this hope changes your perspective on current challenges.
3.	List ways to share this hope and gratitude with others.







Day 7: 🏂 Celebrating God's Eternal Home

#### Prayer for Today

**Lord God,** thank You for the promise of an eternal home where You dwell with Your people. Help me to hold fast to this hope and to express gratitude for the temporary shelter You provide now. May this assurance fill my heart with joy and peace, guiding how I live and love each day. Prepare me for that glorious day. In Jesus' name, Amen. **Amen.** 







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