# Hope for Teens Battling Depression



A 3-day plan offering encouragement and hope to teens battling depression, reminding you God is near and has a future full of hope.





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#### Introduction

Teen years can be a rollercoaster of emotions, challenges, and questions about identity and purpose. For some, these years bring overwhelming feelings of sadness, loneliness, and hopelessness. Battling depression as a teen is a deeply difficult experience, but Scripture offers powerful reminders that you are not alone and that God's love and hope surround you.

In this study, you'll find encouragement rooted in God's Word to uplift your spirit and renew your hope. These passages show us that God is close to the brokenhearted and promises a future filled with hope beyond today's struggles. You'll explore Scriptures that affirm God's presence, His plans for your life, and His strength to carry you through difficult moments.

Each day includes a focused Scripture, reflection questions, and a prayer to help you connect deeply with God's promises. Whether you are currently facing depression or know someone who is, this study is designed to remind you of God's steadfast love and the hope that anchors your soul. *Remember, even in your darkest moments, God sees you, hears you, and has an unfailing plan for your life.* Let's walk this journey together, holding tightly to His truth and hope.















#### Your Verse

Psalm 34:18 - "The LORD is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Psalm 147:3 "He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds."
- Isaiah 41:10 "So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God."







#### Devotional: God Is Close to the Brokenhearted

When feelings of sadness and loneliness overwhelm, it's comforting to know God is near to those who are hurting. Psalm 34:18 reminds us that the LORD is especially close to the brokenhearted. This means that when your spirit feels crushed, you are not abandoned or forgotten.

God's nearness is not just a vague idea; it is a present reality. He actively seeks to save and restore you. He is attentive to your pain and wants to heal your wounds. The supporting verses reinforce this truth, showing God's tender care even in the darkest moments. He is with you, holding your hand through the storm.

Whenever discouragement hits, remind yourself that God sees your pain and longs to bring healing. Lean into His presence—talk to Him honestly about your feelings and let His peace comfort you. You are valuable, loved, and never alone, even when it feels that way.







# Reflect and Apply

1.	What does it mean to you that God is close when you feel broken?
2.	How can you invite God's presence into moments of despair?
3.	In what ways have you experienced God's healing in difficult times?







# **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Write about a recent time you felt brokenhearted and how you responded.
2.	List ways you can remind yourself God is near during your hard days.
3.	Describe what healing from your pain might look like with God's help.







#### Prayer for Today

Dear God, thank You for being close to me when my heart is hurting. Help me to sense Your nearness and find comfort in Your presence during times of pain and loneliness. *Heal my brokenness and give me peace that surpasses all understanding.* Remind me daily that I am not alone and that Your love never fails. Strengthen my spirit and fill me with hope for the future. In Jesus' name, Amen.  $\heartsuit$   $\clubsuit$ 







# Day 2: 🗱 Hope Beyond Today's Struggles









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#### Your Verse

Jeremiah 29:11 – "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Romans 15:13 "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him."
- Lamentations 3:22–23 "Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning."







Day 2: 💥 Hope Beyond Today's Struggles

#### Devotional: Trusting God's Hopeful Plans

Depression can make it hard to see beyond today's pain, but God promises a future filled with hope. Jeremiah 29:11 is a powerful reminder that God's plans for you are good—they are meant to prosper you, not to bring harm.

This hope isn't empty optimism; it's rooted in God's faithful love and compassion, which never fail. Romans 15:13 encourages us to trust God so He can fill us with joy and peace, even when circumstances are tough. Similarly, Lamentations assures us that God's mercies are new every morning, offering fresh hope each day.

When depression clouds your vision, hold tightly to these promises. God's future for you is bright, full of purpose and love. Trust Him to carry you through and restore your joy step by step. Remember, your current emotions don't define you or your destiny.







Day 2: 🎇 Hope Beyond Today's Struggles

# Reflect and Apply

1.	How can focusing on God's promises change your perspective today?
2.	What are some ways you can cultivate trust in God's plan during difficult times?
3.	How does remembering God's compassion renew your hope each morning?







Day 2: 🎇 Hope Beyond Today's Struggles

# **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Write about what 'hope for the future' means to you personally.
2.	List moments when you felt God's joy or peace during hardship.
3.	Describe ways you can remind yourself of God's compassion daily.







Day 2: 💥 Hope Beyond Today's Struggles

### **Prayer for Today**

Heavenly Father, thank You for the hope You give me even when I feel overwhelmed. Help me to trust that Your plans for my life are good and full of purpose. *Fill my heart with Your peace and joy, and remind me each morning of Your unfailing compassion.* Strengthen my faith and help me see beyond my current struggles to the bright future You have prepared. In Jesus' name, Amen. 🎇 🙏 👀







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#### Your Verse

Isaiah 40:31 - "But those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength." They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Philippians 4:13 "I can do all this through him who gives me strength."
- 2 Corinthians 12:9 "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."







Day 3: G Strength in God's Love and Presence

#### Devotional: Renewed Strength Through God's Power

Sometimes depression drains our energy and hope, making us feel weak and weary. Isaiah 40:31 offers a beautiful promise that if we place our hope in the LORD, He will renew our strength. This renewal isn't just physical—it's emotional, mental, and spiritual renewal.

God empowers you to soar above challenges and keep moving forward, even when you feel weak. Philippians 4:13 echoes this truth, reminding us that through Christ we have strength beyond our own. When your own abilities fail, God's grace steps in, as Paul shares in 2 Corinthians 12:9. His power shines brightest in our weakness.

Embrace God's love and presence as your constant source of strength. When depression tries to weigh you down, remember to hope in Him and rely on His grace. You are not powerless because God's strength sustains you and lifts you up.







Day 3: 🜈 Strength in God's Love and Presence

# Reflect and Apply

1.	What does 'renewed strength' look like for you personally?
2.	How can you rely more on God's power when facing your weaknesses?
3.	In what areas of your life do you need God's grace to be made perfect?







Day 3: 🜈 Strength in God's Love and Presence

# **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Write about times when God gave you strength to overcome challenges.
2.	List ways you can place your hope more fully in the LORD.
3.	Reflect on what it means to rely on God's grace in your weakness.







Day 3: G Strength in God's Love and Presence

#### **Prayer for Today**

Lord, thank You for being my source of strength when I feel weak and exhausted. Help me to put my hope fully in You and to trust that Your grace is enough for me. Renew my spirit and give me the power to keep going, flying high on Your love and presence. Let me experience Your peace and strength each day, knowing I can do all things through You. In Jesus' name, Amen.







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