



## Immerse: Beginnings 12 (5 Day Devotional)

### Monday – Living as the Wilderness Generation

**Scripture:** Numbers 12:1–16; Hebrews 11:1

**Devotional:** God’s people were delivered from Egypt, yet they were not immediately home. They lived in the tension between promise and fulfillment. Numbers reminds us that Israel was a *wilderness generation*—called to be holy, set apart, yet still existing among hardship and uncertainty. As followers of Jesus, we find ourselves in a similar place. God’s promises are fulfilled in Christ, yet we still wrestle with doubt, frustration, and complaint. The wilderness is not our destination, but it is our assignment. God uses it to shape our trust, refine our obedience, and reveal His faithfulness.

#### Reflection Questions:

- In what ways do I feel like I am living in a “wilderness” season?
- How does knowing this is not my final destination change my perspective?
- What might God be forming in me right now?

**Prayer:** Lord, help me trust You in the in-between places. Teach me to walk faithfully in the wilderness, knowing Your promises are sure. Amen.

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### Tuesday – Faithful Eyes or a Bad Report

**Scripture:** Numbers 13:26–33; Numbers 14:6–9; 2 Corinthians 5:7

**Devotional:** Twelve spies saw the same land, yet returned with two very different reports. Ten allowed fear to overshadow God’s promise, while two trusted the power of the One who sent them. The tragedy wasn’t the giants in the land—it was the disbelief in God’s faithfulness. Today, our words, attitudes, and actions can either reflect faith or spread a “bad report.” When we live guided only by what we see, we unintentionally misrepresent the God we claim to trust. Obedience flows from belief, and belief shapes our witness.

#### Reflection Questions:

- Where am I tempted to focus more on obstacles than on God’s promises?
- What kind of “report” does my life communicate to others?
- How can I practice walking by faith today?

**Prayer:** God, guard my heart from fear-driven thinking. Help me live in a way that reflects trust in Your promises. Amen.

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### Wednesday – Trust and Obedience Go Together

**Scripture:** Numbers 14:22–24; John 14:15

**Devotional:** Israel’s rebellion was not merely disobedience—it was a failure to trust. Their unwillingness to step forward revealed a deeper struggle of belief. Scripture shows us that trust

and obedience are inseparable. Following Jesus means living like His promises are true even when circumstances suggest otherwise. Obedience is not perfection, but persistent trust. When we trust God, we follow Him—even when the path feels uncertain.

**Reflection Questions:**

- Is there an area where God is calling me to trust Him more deeply?
- How does my obedience reflect my belief in His promises?
- What step of faith might God be inviting me to take?

**Prayer:** Jesus, strengthen my trust so that my obedience flows from faith, not fear. Teach me to follow You wholeheartedly. Amen.

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### **Thursday – Fixing Our Eyes on the One Who Saves**

**Scripture:** Numbers 21:4–9; John 3:14–16; Hebrews 12:2

**Devotional:** When the Israelites complained again, sin brought deadly consequences. Yet God provided a way of salvation—by lifting up a bronze serpent and instructing the people to fix their eyes on it. This powerful image points directly to Jesus lifted up on the cross.

Sin still poisons quietly when our focus drifts. But when our eyes remain fixed on Christ, sin loses its power. Jesus has already defeated it; our calling is to live in that victory through repentance and obedience.

**Reflection Questions:**

- What distractions tend to pull my eyes away from Jesus?
- Are there habits or sins I've grown too comfortable with?
- How can I intentionally refocus my heart on Christ today?

**Prayer:** Lord Jesus, keep my eyes fixed on You. Thank You for freeing me from the power of sin. Help me walk in Your victory. Amen.

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### **Friday – Blessed by a Faithful God**

**Scripture:** Numbers 23:18–24; Philippians 4:8–9

**Devotional:**

God even used a flawed prophet and a donkey to declare His unchangeable truth: *what God has blessed cannot be reversed*. Balaam's words remind us that God does not lie, change His mind, or fail to fulfill His promises.

If all creation responds to God's authority, how much more should we? As we move forward, we are invited to fix our minds on what is good, faithful, and praiseworthy—living as people who trust in God's power and walk by His Spirit.

**Reflection Questions:**

- How does knowing God's promises cannot be undone encourage me?
- What thoughts or attitudes do I need to realign with God's truth?
- How can I live as a visible testimony of God's blessing?

**Prayer:** Faithful God, thank You that Your promises never fail. Help me live with trust, obedience, and peace as I follow You. Amen.