

Daily Reflection on Scripture
Week of March 19
Finding Wisdom in the Wilderness
A Time of Doubt



Each day slowly read the scripture a couple of times. Close your eyes and be with it for a moment in silence. How did it speak to you?

Sunday, March 19

Lamentations 3:22-23 Certainly the faithful love of the LORD hasn't ended; certainly God's compassion isn't through! They are renewed every morning. Great is your faithfulness.

Sacred Pause: Every day God meets you in your questions and doubts. Questions are the currency of faith. Without questions we stay right where we are.

Monday, March 20

1 Corinthians 13:13 We have three things to do... Trust steadily in God, hope unswervingly, love extravagantly. And the best of the three is love.

Sacred Pause: Faith, hope and love. God has faith in you. God hopes in you. God loves you just as you are. Even in doubt, these truths can hold you up.

Tuesday, March 21

Hebrews 10:23 Let's keep a firm grip on the promises that keep us going.

Sacred Pause: Name one way God has provided for you in the past. Hold that experience in your heart. May it help you with stay with your struggles today.

Wednesday, March 22

James 1:2-4 Consider it a sheer gift, friends, when tests and challenges come at you from all sides. You know that under pressure, your faith-life is forced into the open and shows its true colors. So don't try to get out of anything prematurely. Let it do its work so you become mature and well-developed, not deficient in any way.

Sacred Pause: Doubts are not the opposite of faith, instead they are an invitation for you to encounter God's unconditional love in your struggles.

Thursday, March 23

Hebrews 11:1 Faith is the reality of what we hope for, the proof of what we don't see.

Sacred Pause: Faith is more than believing something to be true; faith is the reality of what you hope for. Hope focuses on possibilities not defeat.

Friday, March 24

Mark 9:24b I believe. Help me with my doubts!"

Sacred Pause: Doubts about God and life don't have to mean you don't believe in God. Soul searching questions can lead you to a deeper faith in God.

Saturday, March 25

John 20:29 Jesus said, "So, you believe because you've seen with your own eyes. Even better blessings are in store for those who believe without seeing."

Sacred Pause: Sometimes we doubt because we can't see what the future is. Yet faith is what leads us through our doubts and beyond what eyes cannot see.