







# Just Between Us, Jod



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### Just between You and Jod!

These more than ninety inspiring devotions, alongside related journal prompts and generous writing space, will encourage you to record your personal thoughts directed toward the heavenly Father.

Each devotion, rooted in scripture and written from Christ's heavenly perspective, will leave you feeling perfectly loved and blessed. And, with each turn of the page, you'll delight in an ongoing conversation—just between your heart and God's!



God made my life complete when I placed all the pieces before him. When I got my act together, he gave me a fresh start. Now I'm alert to God's ways; I don't take God for granted. Every day I review the ways he works; I try not to miss a trick. I feel put back together, and I'm watching my step. God rewrote the text of my life when I opened the book of my heart to his eyes.

PSALM 18:20-24 MSG

### above all Else

"Steep your life in God-reality, God-initiative, God-provisions. Don't worry about missing out. You'll find all your everyday human concerns will be met." MATTHEW 6:33 MSG



You may be wondering why life can seem so hard sometimes; why you keep falling into the trap of fear, worry, and angst; why the world seems to be so upside down. It is because you are not seeking Me above everything else.

Each morning before your feet hit the floor, spend time with Me. Come into My presence and peace. Allow Me to fill your heart with My love, so much so that it will spill out onto those whose lives you touch.

Determine to view the world through My eyes, to see the light of God in each and every person. Rest in the assurance that all is well. I have laid out a perfect path for you. To find your way, you simply have to stop and ask directions. Be certain that no matter what happens, I am beside you. In My hand is everything you will ever need. Trust. Hope. Relax. Know that I am with you every step of the way.

Above all else in heaven and on earth, seek first My Kingdom and My way of doing things, and everything else will fall into place.



Father Mod, I want to seek You above all

## Spiritual Eyes

"For we have no power against this great multitude that is coming against us; nor do we know what to do, but our eyes are upon You."

2 CHRONICLES 20:12 NKJV



In these moments with Me, gently close your eyes. Envision My presence beside you. Feel My breath upon your face. Bask in the warmth of My light. Your inner eyes are upon Me. Here there is no reason to fear or fret. In your powerlessness, you feel My strength. Breathe easy. Then commit these moments to memory.

In this power, in this memory, reopen your eyes. I am still with you—and always will be no matter what you face today. Don't worry about anything. Simply keep your spiritual eyes on Me. Know that I will never let anything harm you. Know that I will always be with you. Know that you don't have to always have the answer. Look to Me for all wisdom, strength, and power. For all I have is yours. And I have promised I will always be here for you.

Thus, you may this day and all days walk forward in victory, no matter who or what is coming against you. Rest in My might, with your eyes upon Me. For in Me lie all answers.



Lord Jesus, I want to feel Your presence today



### Miracle Maker

And he did not do many miracles there because of their lack of faith.

MATTHEW 13:58 NIV



Woman, I am ready to do so many miracles in your life. Do you believe Me?

The greater your faith in Me, the more amazing things I can do in your life and in the lives of those around you. Do not limit Me. Train yourself to think outside the box. Humble yourself enough to believe in My grandeur. Push your doubts aside. Remember that I am the One who changed water into wine, healed lepers, calmed the sea and wind, and rose from the dead. There is nothing I cannot do—if your faith is big enough.

And once the miracle begins, it will continue for as long as you keep your eyes on Me. So do not look away, or you may sink down into the sea of doubt.

You are a woman of amazing strength. There is no door closed to one who believes in the impossible. And that's My art—to make the impossible possible. Will you help Me? Will you not doubt? Will you believe anything can happen? If so, pray and petition. Watch and wait. Then praise and repeat.



# almighty Father, I believe...

### Know Me

"Before I shaped you in the womb, I knew all about you.

Before you saw the light of day, I had holy plans for you."

JEREMIAH 1:5 MSG



I see you as no one else does. Your face, your hands, your size, your shape, your hair, your breath, your sigh—all these I know intimately. To Me, you are no stranger but an extension, an expression of Myself as you move in the light of love, forgiveness, and charity.

Yet at times, it seems I am yet a stranger to you. This will not do.

When you are worshipping or praying to Me, you cannot help but feel My love. Yet when you leave My presence, you sometimes leave Me and My love behind. My light and love are for you not just to experience in a moment of devotion but to carry back out into the world. How else will the world around you be changed?

So, friend and daughter, seek Me out daily. Feel the peace of My presence. Bask in the light of My love. Listen to the sound of My breath and My sigh. See Me as you have never seen Me before. Then take Me with you, out into the world. Become an extension of Me. Forgive the seemingly unforgivable. Love the unlovable. Help the helpless.

In doing so, you will begin to know Me as I know you—forever and ever, amen.



I want to know You, Lord	

### Working Out a Way

Hannah prayed: I'm bursting with God-news! I'm walking on air. I'm laughing at my rivals. I'm dancing my salvation. Nothing and no one is holy like God, no rock mountain like our God. Don't dare talk pretentiously—not a word of boasting, ever! For God knows what's going on. He takes the measure of everything that happens.

1 SAMUEL 2:1-5 MSG



I see all. I know exactly what your heart desires. Yet I would have the words of your wants come to Me by your own lips. Tell Me exactly what you want. Show Me exactly what you desire. And I, in return, will answer your prayer in accordance with My wisdom.

You see, I see all things—not just your desires but those of all My children. Like a child, you may desire something that may not be good for you today, but perhaps it will be tomorrow. So be patient. Continually pare down your focus to what you truly desire with all of your mind, body, heart, and soul. And if it would be good for you and the world, your desire shall be granted.

Simply leave all in My hands and go forward, knowing your Father will only give you what is good and right for you in this time and space. And in the meantime, be content, knowing that I am working out a way for you to be all I created you to be—nothing more and nothing less than spectacular today and every day!

Heavenly Father, I leave it all in Your capable hands

### Pure Joy

Light is sown for the [uncompromisingly] righteous and strewn along their pathway, and joy for the upright in heart [the irrepressible joy which comes from consciousness of His favor and protection].

PSALM 97:11 AMPC



I am your Rock. Your Fortress. Your solid foundation! Do you see this?

When you come to Me, you seem to know Me. You recognize who I am and what I have done for you. But when you finish your prayers or devotion, you seem to leave Me where I am and try to live life in your own power! This shall not do!

Do you want joy? Do you want peace? Do you want strength? Do you want power? Then, My dear woman, remember that I am always looking out for you! I am always standing by your side! I see what you see—and so much more! So keep Me close. So close that you can hear Me breathe in rhythm with you. So close that you can hear Me whisper. So close that you can feel My power surging through you.

Knowing that I am with you, that I am anxious to bless you, and that I am shielding you with all that I am will give you all the joy you could want—so much that it spills over you and onto others who may not yet know Me. With Me *truly* in your life and the *light* of your life, your pure joy cannot help but run over!

Father Mod, with You in my life	

# Streaming Thoughts

You will guard him and keep him in perfect and constant peace whose mind [both its inclination and its character] is stayed on You, because he commits himself to You, leans on You, and hopes confidently in You.

ISAIAH 26:3 AMPC



You must train yourself, My child, to be a witness to the thoughts that are streaming through your head. The negative thoughts are only shadows of reality, mucking up your mind. Do not let them have sway or power over you. Instead, let them flow through unheeded. Pay no attention to the fear, panic, hatred, lust, grief, and aggression they bring with them. Just allow them to pass away. If more strength is needed, simply call on Me. When you say My name, "Jesus," My light makes all shadows disperse. All evil fades. For it has no strength, no power against Me.

Just keep your mind on Me. Hand over your entire self—mind, body, spirit, soul. I will keep you safe from all harm. I will give you all the joy and strength you need. You need not look anywhere else.

Feed on Me, your Bread of life. Drink of Me, your Living Water Come to Me, your Burden Bearer, eternal Friend, Light of the World. Rest assured that I will never leave you, fail you, forsake you. And that's the truth. That's My promise and your confidence.

# In Your name, God, there is power. . .

# always Present

"Look!" he answered, "I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire; and they are not hurt, and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God."

DANIEL 3:25 NKJV



You have had your sorrows and temptations in this life as well as heartbreak, rejection, and derision. And through it all, whether you knew it or not, whether you recognized Me or not, I was walking with you.

In the midst of your fire, I felt the flame. In the midst of your flood, I felt the undercurrent. In the midst of your earthquake, I felt the earth tremble.

No matter where you are, no matter what happens, I am walking this road with you. So stop. Take a rest. Call My name—and then you will see Me. Then you will know that I've been right next to you all along.

Thus there is no reason to dread the fire, flood, or earthquakes in your life. There is no reason to let them shake you up. You can be confident in Me, My presence, My strength. I am holding on to you tightly and will never, ever, ever let you go. Simply put your hand in Mine, and walk on. The Son of God is walking with you.



In Your presence, Lord, I am confident	d



## Love-Pure and Unfettered

But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners.

ROMANS 5:8 NIT



There are some things (and some people) you may never be able to change. But that is not your affair. Your business is loving all—no matter who they are or what they do. For didn't I love you when you were still somewhat confused or ignorant of My presence and My ways?

The best way to show others the Way is to shower them with the love you get from Me. That's why I've asked you to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, visit the prisoner. While you are at it, do something nice for the intrusive mother-in-law, the demanding boss, the unfriendly neighbor, the gum-cracking checkout girl, the desperate-looking homeless man. Find a way to reach the heart of others by tapping into My reserves. Each kindness you bestow upon another restores My reserves and comes back at you a hundredfold.

So don't let others irritate. Instead allow them to help you navigate your way through this world. Let them be markers on your road to paradise. Let them see our love for what it is—pure and unfettered.

Who can you bless this way? Who can you love today?



Heavenly Father, show me how to love better	
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