



365 days of devotion to Christ

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unto the end of the world...

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Day 22 of 365



## Week 4 – walk an inch He'll take you a mile

Seeing the Lord at work in the lives of those He touches is truly one of the most breathtaking and amazing things ever seen. Christ makes all things new and with each regeneration the creature standing after the entering in of the Holy Spirit is so different that glory is given to God as those around them realize "something is different". It is by the strength and guidance of the Holy Spirit that men are able to break the bonds of addiction, to turn their back on the lives of sin, and become Holy through the working of the Holy Spirit, the promised comforter. This should not be a surprise... the Lord Himself has made the promise and time and time again demonstrated His power through the changes in the lives of those who surrender all.

### Day 22 – your closer than you think

**But he saith unto them, *It is I; be not afraid.* Then they willingly received him into the ship: and immediately the ship was at the land whither they went. (John Chapter 6 verse 20-21 KJV)**

God has demonstrated again and again the truth, walk an inch and He will take you a mile! God gives strength to the weak, wisdom to the dumb, peace to the grieving and will take you places you never thought you could or would go! Just as Christ demonstrated in this scripture we see the disciples "willingly received him" and when they did they were "immediately" where they were going! What a wonderful picture for our lives, its when we stop trying to do it all on our own and surrender to His saving grace that all our burdens, all our fears, everything we haven't been able to overcome, Jesus gives us victory! It may take a lifetime but it is true that in Christ Jesus we have eternal victory!

Before the Lord saved me I had smoked for 10 years, I had tried many times to put them down and had even been successful about a year before I got saved I stopped smoking for 6 months but the cravings for the sin drove me crazy even 6 months later. Eventually I gave back in and the beast of tobacco over powered me and I was once again a slave. After the Lord saved me in September of 2011 He gave me strength to overcome the slavery to tobacco and not only do I no longer smoke but I no longer have the desire to smoke! In my anger I've tried several times to "pick them back up" and no satisfaction has come from them... Christ has truly given me victory not just by changing what I'm doing but changing

what I want to do! As you enter day 22 of the 365 day devotion I wonder... what has Christ given you victory over? What have you refused to surrender to Him? Give it all up. Place it at His feet and trust for Him to "get you there".

**Today's prayer:**

Today pray the Lord would strengthen you and give you peace to endure as you travel through this life. Pray He would give you the faith and courage to trust in Him for everything and that He would shower you with mercy and grace as you fully surrender to His grace. Pray the Lord would open your eyes to His power and that He would give you peace even in the storms of life.