VOLUME 1



Inspiring messages that will strengthen your faith

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Dedicated to my grandmother, Maizie Lee James

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100 Steps With God was an idea I explored as I contemplated ways to expand the reach and impact of messages for an online ministry I founded in 2022, Walking in Step With God Ministries.

One of the ways our ministry provides a preview of each week's message is to share *quotes* from the upcoming message. Over time, I have witnessed the extent to which our online community has truly enjoyed and engaged with these quotes. It occurred to me that if the community finds such enjoyment and inspiration in these quotes, then others outside of the community may find enjoyment and inspiration as well. This book, the first in a series, is a collection of quotes from messages over the time period of August 2022 to August 2023. We plan to release a new volume for the series each year with 100 new quotes of encouragement from messages.

First and foremost, I need to thank God for this amazing privilege to be used as a vessel to share wisdom. I do not take credit for the contents of this book, or the messages I record nearly every week.

Acknowledgments

I credit the Holy Spirit. You see, before each message, I ask the Holy Spirit what I should say about a particular topic. Two to three hours later I have words of wisdom that I would have never thought to say on my own. I imagine this is what is meant by 'God breathed'.

I have truly enjoyed and continue to enjoy the process of learning and forming a style of transparency and straightforwardness in Walking in Step With God messages. I think it is very important to keep it real as much as possible as we examine the intersection of our day-to-day lives and our walk with God.

I feel blessed to be used as a vessel to share encouragement about a relationship with God and I know I have so much more to learn and opportunities to grow.

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About this Book

This book is a collection of quotes from messages recorded at Walking in Step with God Ministries over the time period of August 2022 to August 2023.

Each 'chapter' of the book corresponds to a single message, 33 messages in all. For each message, there are up to 4 quotes extracted from a message.

All of the messages in this book can be found on the ministry website:

www.walkinginstepwithgod.org/messages

The messages contained in this book cover a range of topics. Messages can be viewed by topic on our website as well:

www.walkinginstepwithgod.org/topics

If the quotes in this book inspire and encourage you, I invite you to follow our ministry online to receive our regular content.

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May God use these quotes to lead you, guide you, and inspire you to strengthen your faith in Him. May He order your steps to His perfect plans for you.

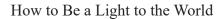
Bless you.

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Acts of Kindness

The unexpected and even unwarranted gifts can be some of the most precious gifts of all.



Some of the most powerful forms of kindness are ones that are selfless.

Consider another approach to people who have wronged you.

Kindness.

Notes / Reflection

Help Those Who Are in Need

Is there a cause that is important to you?

Why not set aside some of your money to donate to the cause on a monthly basis?

One of the most wonderful things about walking with God is recognizing that often, your walk with Him can and will go beyond just you.

One of the most powerful ways we can help others in need is to ask God to use us to help others.

Notes / Reflection

Do No Harm

Peace is a virtue that can be difficult to come by without a close and intimate walk with God. God and only God can give us the strength to have love in our heart when harm has been inflicted upon us.

In our walk with God, let us model how God is forgiving of us.

Seek a stance of forgiveness for those who have caused you harm.

Notes / Reflection

Honor Your Temple

How we deal with stress can affect how we show up for others. Ask God to give you guidance and discernment as to how to restructure your life in a way to be less overwhelmed.

In honoring your temple, you provide an environment for God to dwell in you and share His light through you to the world.

Notes / Reflection

Pray

While we may have a strong desire to be a light to the world, often there are areas of our life that we may need to address in order to properly be equipped to help others. Ask God today and every day - not only for the opportunities to be a light to the world, but the courage and strength to act when the opportunity presents itself.

To be able to push through the hesitation and discomfort and maybe even fear.

To trust God is leading you and guiding you and equipping you to help that individual.

Taking care of our whole self, mind, body and spirit creates a space in us for God's light to dwell and flourish.

Notes / Reflection

Closing Prayer

Father God,

Thank You for the words of wisdom and direction offered in this book.

We pray that You will continue to teach, guide, and order our steps as we walk with You each day.

Help us to know of Your presence - both in times of peace and in times of adversity - In times of abundance and times of lack. Help us to know You are near regardless of how things may appear in the natural.

Remind us of the words of wisdom offered in this book when our thoughts and our actions lead us astray. Give us the signs to keep us aligned with the perfect plans you have in store for us.

May Your light shine brightly in our lives and in our hearts as we strive each day to walk in step with You.

- Amen

Going Deeper

Are you interested in learning more about the sources guiding the messages in this book? We invite you to review our Going Deeper With the Word content for each message where we examine how God's Word provides clear guidance and direction on how to live out our lives and walk with God.

To learn more, visit:

www.walkinginstepwithgod.org/messages

There, you will find the video and transcript for each message, along with a corresponding 'Going Deeper With the Word' content. You can also find Walking In Step With God videos on YouTube:

www.youtube.com/@walkinginstepwithgod

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Bless you!