

The Adventure Begins

14 Devotions for New Believers

No Matter What

Memorize This: Trust in the Lord with all your heart. Do not depend on your own understanding. - Proverbs 3:5 (NIRV)

Big Idea: We can trust God's promises no matter how we feel.

Think About This:

Have you ever used emojis? They're those fun pictures you see on phones that show people how you feel. What emotions would you say go with each of these emojis?









Emojis can remind us that we all have a lot of different feelings, and those feelings may change from one minute to the next. We may start our day super happy but by lunchtime we might be sad. The next day, something might make us angry or scared or happy again.

The point is our feelings change all the time, but God never changes. So that means we can trust in Him no matter how we feel.

Some days we may feel like God loves us a lot, but other days we may feel like God doesn't even like us. Some days we may feel like we're becoming more like Jesus. Other days, we may feel like we haven't changed a bit. Some days we may feel super close to God. Other days we may feel like God is a bazillion miles away.

On our good days and bad days we need to remember that our feelings don't change the facts.

Feeling: I don't feel like God loves me.

Fact: Nothing at all can ever separate us from God's love. - Romans 8:39b (NIRV)

Feeling: I don't feel close to God.

Fact: And you can be sure that I am always with you, to the very end. - Matthew 28:20b (NIRV)

Feeling: I don't feel like I'm becoming like Jesus.

Fact: But we know that when Christ appears, we will be like him. - 1 John 3:2c (NIRV)

Feeling: I don't feel like I'm saved or forgiven.

Fact: Anyone who believes in the Son has eternal life. - John 3:36a (NIRV)

God loves our emotions. After all, He created them! He even put a whole book in the Bible called Psalms that show us how to pray when we feel different things. But we can never let our feelings get in the way of trusting in Jesus.

We can trust Him on days we feel like it and even on days we don't.

Put It Into Action:

This week try to memorize at least one of the Bible verses listed above so you can remember God's awesome promises when you need them.

Prayer:

God, thanks for loving me no matter how I feel. Help me to trust in your promises no matter what.