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RED LETTER CHALLENGE



STARTING JANUARY 9

STUDYING THE WORDS OF JESUS AND PUTTING THEM INTO PRACTICE

A 40-DAY LIFE CHANGING EXPERIENCE

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DAY / DATE	RED LETTERS	STUDY PASSAGE	HIGHLIGHT	CHALLENGE
Day 1 — January 10	Being	Psalms 46:10	Our “doing” flows out of who we are and who we become when we spend time with Christ.	
Day 2 — January 11	Forgiving	Ephesians 2:8-9	There is no sin too big that God did not die for on the cross.	
Day 3 — January 12	Serving	1 Peter 3:15	While serving others won't save you, it may help save someone else.	
Day 4 — January 13	Giving	John 3:16	There is no sin too big that God did not die for on the cross.	
Day 5 — January 14	Going		When God calls you to go somewhere, you never go alone.	
BEING				
Day 6 — January 15	Abide in my word	John 8:31	The Bible is the one true story of life	Open the Bible today and hear from God.
Day 7 — January 16	Pray Earnestly	Matthew 9:38 Luke 18:1-8	Prayer is the most powerful tool we have on this earth.	Spend some time today in prayer. (ACTS: Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, Supplication)
Day 8 — January 17	Worship the Lord your God	Luke 4:8 Romans 12:1 Psalm 96	God is not confined to a building or a timeframe, and neither is our worship.	Listen to Worship music
Day 9 — January 18	Come with me by yourself to a quiet place and get some rest.	Mark 6:17 Luke 14:25-33	We need to say “no” to many good things, so we can say “yes” to the best thing.	Spend some time in solitude today
Day 10 — January 19	And when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face	Matthew 6:16-18	Fasting brings you closer to God and helps you realize just how much God provides for you.	Go on a fast today.
Day 11 — January 20	Let us eat and celebrate	Luke 15:23 Psalm 98	We ought to attract people to the church quite literally by the fun there is in being a Christian.	Celebrate and thank God for five things He has done for you. Call together a few friends or neighbors and eat and celebrate with them!
Day 12 — January 21	The Sabbath was made for man	Mark 2:25-3:6	If God takes a day to enjoy His creation, shouldn't we?	Take a day off! Enjoy what God has given you. Spend some time doing a hobby or pursuing an interest.
FORGIVING				
Day 13 — January 22	Repent and believe the good news	Mark 1:15 Acts 9:4-9; 15-19	No matter how serious, big or awful your sin is, God's grace extends to cover it.	Pray a prayer of repentance
Day 14 — January 23	Let any one of you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone	John 7:53-8:11	This is the day to drop the rocks	Which sins do you elevate as “worse” than all the rest? Pray that you are able to see all people, no matter what their sins might be, as candidates for the grace of Jesus Christ.
Day 15 — January 24	Judge not	Matthew 7:1-5	If God is known for grace, how can we, his followers, be known for judgement, the exact opposite?	1. Thanks God for the opportunity to live a “plank-free” life without the judgement we deserve. 2. Write down the names of individuals or groups of people you may have improperly judged in the past, and ask God's forgiveness.

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FORGIVING CONT.				
Day 16 — January 25	Be merciful	Luke 6:36 Matthew 18:21- 25	God had everyright to punush or harm us. He had every right to throw us where we belong, but instead he had mercy on us.	Be intentional about showing mercy to someone today.
Day 17 — January 26	Forgive others their trespasses.	Matthew 6:12 John 21:15-19	There's nothing that can be done to us or against us that we cannot forgive.	If you've still be withholding forgiveness from someone who has done you wrong, pray to God about forgiving that person. After praying, if it can be beneficial, let that person know about your forgiveness.
Day 18 — January 27	Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.	Matthew 5:44 Acts 7:54-60	In Christ, we are not to be people of vengeance and bitterness?	Pray for those who have hurt you, abused you or become your enemies. This isn't easy to do, but God will use it to transform your heart.
Day 19 — January 28	Go now and leave your life of sin.	John 8:11 Luke 19:1-10	God loves you for who you are, but He loves you too much to let you stay the way you are.	If you struggle with a perticular sin, write down how you will overcome it and how you can help others who may be struggling with a similar sin.
SERVING				
Day 20 — January 29	If you love me, you will obey my commands	John 14:5 Luke 5:4-11	BYSSIW: Because You Say So, I Will	Pray for a "BYSSIW" attitude for this challenge! Leave sticky notes all over the hose with the acronym to remember throughout the day.
Day 21 — January 30	If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all	Mark 9:35 John 3:22-30	In Jesus' counter-cultural kingdom, the ones who are blessed are the ones who serve others and put others before themselves.	Find a way to put someone else's needs before yours today.
Day 22— January 31	When you give a dinner, invite the poor, the crippled, lame, etc	Luke 14:13 John 13:6-17	We serve because we want to be more like Jesus.	Serve someone who will not be able to give you anything in return.
Day 23 — February 1	Love your neighbor as yourself	Matthew 22:39 Luke 10:25-37	God looked down upon us and said, "They need my help."	Do something for a neighbor of yours. Show them you care. No strings attached.
Day 24 — February 2	Let the little children come to me.	Matthew 19:14 Luke 18:9-14	When we acknowledge we are imperfect, we are then open to receiving Christ's grace, which makes us perfect.	Serve a child who is in your life today, and let this child know how important he or she is to you.
Day 25 — February 3	I was sick and you took care of me	Matthew 25:35 Mark 2:1-12	God honors your faith and commitment to those in need.	If you know someone sick, visit that person.
Day 26 — February 4	Let your light shine before others.	Matthew 5:16 Exodux 19:3-6 1 Peter 2:9-12	Through what we do and the way we live, we can actually point people to a real relationship with God.	Serve God today in one of the following ways: 1. Organize a servant event with a local non-profit 2. Volunteer at a food pantry or soup kitchen 3. Volunteer with your local Habitat for Humanity 4. Clean a neighbor's yard 5. Visit an elderly person 6. Encourage someone who is sick
GIVING				
Day 27 — February 5	Lend expecting nothing in return	Luke 6:35 Acts 16:11-15	We do not give because we have to. We give because we want to be like Jesus.	Lend or give to someone and don't ask for or expect anything in return.
Day 28 — February 6	You give them something to eat.	Mark 6:37 Matthew 14:13- 21	God can do a lot with a little.	God has given you something that someone else could use. Use your resources to help someone today.
Day 29 — February 7	For I was hungry and you gave me food.	Matthew 25:35 2 Kings 4:17	He says that the people who take care of the least privileged will be the ones who are welcomed into His Kingdom.	Give food to the needy.
Day 30 — February 8	For I was naked and you gave me clothing.	Matthew 25:36 Matthew 6:19-21, 24-34	Whenever we do something for the "least of these" in our world, or the least privileged, it's like we do it for Jesus.	Go through your dressers and closets and give all the clothes you don't need to charity.

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Day 31 — February 9	Do not neglect the tithe.	Matthew 23:23 Malachi 3:6-12	You cannot truly go all in for God if you cannot trust God with your money.	Tithe for the next 6 months to your local church.
Day 32 — February 10	Sell all that you possess and give to the poor.	Mark 10:17-27	To follow after God faithfully means following after Him with everything you have.	Give sacrificially today. Pray about where to give and how to give it, then act in faith.
Day 33 — February 11	It is better to give than receive.	Acts 20:35 2 Corinthians 8:10	The best thing you can do with a good gift is rip it open, enjoy it, and share it with others.	Give a great gift to a worthy person or charity today!
GOING				
Day 34 — February 12	Return to your home and declare how much God has done for you.	Luke 8:27-33, 37b-39	Before we go out and proclaim to the world who God is, let's first remember that we are living out our faith in our home.	At some point today, gather your family or roommates or friends and share what God has done for you.
Day 35 — February 13	I was a stranger and you welcomed me.	Matthew 25:35 Matthew 9:9-13	When you go beyond the level of your comfort, you experience parts of God you would otherwise miss.	Say hello to some neighbors you haven't met yet. Get in a new social circle! Meet new people.
Day 36 — February 14	You will be my witnesses.	Acts 1:8 Exodus 4:10-12	Don't underestimate what God can do through you and your story.	Write down your testimony. What has God done for you? What difference has God made in your life?
Day 37 — February 15	Go and proclaim the Kingdom of God.	Luke 9:60 Acts 28:23-31	You can make a difference and bring His Kingdom right here and right now.	Record a video of the testimony you wrote yesterday. Share it on all your social media platforms.
Day 38 — February 16	Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.	Mark 16:15 Ezekiel 37:1-10	God can turn your fear into confidence.	Write down five people in your life who do not have a relationship with Jesus Christ. Talk to one of those five today about your testimony. Make a plan over the next month to speak with the other four. Make sure you are also there to listen to them about anything they are going through.
Day 39 — February 17	You did not choose me, but I chose and appoint you.	John 15:16 Jeremiah 1:4-10	He chose you not because you've done anything important, but simply because He loves you.	Just as God chose you before you ever did anything to please Him, choose someone today who hasn't done anything to earn your favor and find a way to bless that person.
Day 40 — February 18	Go therefore and make disciples.	Matthew 28:19 Luke 5:27-32	Following Jesus is the greatest opportunity we will ever have!	It is imperative that you become a disciple, or follower, of Jesus. If you aren't already, can you identify one or two people who are mature disciples of Jesus and ask them to mentor you? If you are already a mature follower of Jesus Christ, seek out one or two people you could mentor.

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