

# Holiness Day By Transformational Thoughts For Your Spiritual Journey Jerry Bridges

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## Note to Self (Foreword by Sam Storms)

From devastating natural disasters to deadly highway accidents, tragedies occur every day around the world and in our own lives. As we face death, grief, loss, we become angry and our faith is tested as we ask, "Is God really in control?" Navigator author Jerry Bridges helps answer that question positively in this topical Bible study, offering comfort and hope by exploring the greater purposes and character of God. Useful for men, women, and teens, the book includes discussion questions.

## Why Holiness?

This study guide explores and explains how the use of the spiritual discipline of journaling can deepen both our walk with God and our community with other believers.

## Five Traits of a Christ-Follower

Scripture tells us that God has given us "everything we need for life and godliness." But what makes a Christian godly? In this book, Navigator author Jerry Bridges examines what it means to grow in Christian character. Learn more about the character of God as you grow a deeper relationship with Him. Establish the foundation upon which godly character is built and continue by developing maturity and pursuing holiness. A Discussion Guide is also available separately (ISBN 9780891094982).

## **Step Into the Beauty of Holiness**

This new edition replaces both *The Pursuit of Holiness* and the separate study guide by combining both resources into one volume! “Be holy, for I am holy,” commands God. But holiness is something that is often missed in the Christian’s daily life. According to Navigator author Jerry Bridges, that’s because we’re not exactly sure what our part in holiness is. In *The Pursuit of Holiness*, he helps us see clearly just what we should rely on God to do—and what we should take responsibility for ourselves. As you deepen your relationship with God, learn more about His character, and understand the Holy Spirit’s role in holiness, your spiritual growth will mature. The included study guide contains 12 lessons.

## **The Fruitful Life**

Defending the Christian faith by demonstrating its reality "Relational Apologetics" is about your life "becoming" a defense of the Christian faith. Every relationship you have is an opportunity for you to connect people to their creator by displaying your hope, both in word and deed. Defending your faith is not just about answering questions and "proving" that God exists. It is about showing that He is real by the way you live. It is about demonstrating the power of God through your holiness. And it is about drawing people to Jesus through your kindness. Using stories and drawing on personal experiences, Sherrard teaches the importance of holiness, treating skeptics with respect, engaging in authentic conversations instead of shouting matches, and having well thought out answers to the skeptic's questions. The book doesn't delve deeply into the scientific and philosophical arguments for the existence of God and the validity of Christianity. Rather, it provides solid, simple, and easily remembered reasons why one should believe. It also teaches essential relational skills that are necessary for talking to skeptics and maintaining healthy relationships with them.

## **The Unfair Advantage**

## **Is God Really In Control?**

Contains Forty New, Never-Before-Published Devotions  
At the height of Nazi power, amid the horrors of a concentration camp, the seeds of faith and forgiveness grew to fruition in the heart of a young Dutch woman named Corrie ten Boom. Outlasting Ravensbrück and Hitler’s regime, Corrie went on to accomplish what brute power never could: conquering hearts across the world with healing words of hope, forgiveness, and trust in God. This is Corrie ten Boom at her best and most inspiring. These forty timeless devotionals remind you of the treasures of faith in Christ, the mysteries of God’s kingdom, and joy of a surrender that leads you out of fear into the freedom of love and forgiveness. I Stand at the Door and Knock

offers timeless messages of faith, hope, and forgiveness from a veteran saint.

## **Everyday Holiness**

This women's devotional assessment book will guide readers on a spiritual healing journey. Through short, its daily devotionals and guided prayers target the mind, heart, body, and soul. Along this journey, you will develop an inner spirit which radiates the beauty of holiness in your life. You'll be challenged to personally examine your motivations and pray specifically each day on topics that have taken the writer fifteen years to perfect through application and experience in living in the beauty of holiness.

## **Holiness Day by Day**

This book explores the consequences of a Gospel message that calls for the transformation of individuals, communities, and the created order. How does a person or community, made whole by holy love, approach the great issues of our day? Past attempts have failed to take into account the strong emphases in Wesleyan thought on personal holiness, communal ("social") holiness, and social engagement.

## **Relational Apologetics**

Mussar is an illuminating, approachable, and highly practical set of teachings for cultivating personal growth and spiritual realization in the midst of day-to-day life. Here is an accessible and inspiring introduction to this Jewish spiritual path, which until lately has been best known in the world of Orthodox Judaism. The core teaching of Mussar is that our deepest essence is inherently pure and holy, but this inner radiance is obscured by extremes of emotion, desire, and bad habits. Our work in life is to uncover the brilliant light of the soul. The Mussar masters developed transformative teachings and practices—some of which are contemplative, some of which focus on how we relate to others in daily life—to help us to heal and refine ourselves. To learn more about the author, visit his website: [www.mussarinstitute.org](http://www.mussarinstitute.org)

## **Glorious Finish**

General editor Lloyd J. Ogilvie brings together a team of skilled and exceptional communicators to blend sound scholarship with life-related illustrations. The design for the Preacher's Commentary gives the reader an overall outline of each book of the Bible. Following the introduction, which reveals the author's approach and salient background on the book, each chapter of the commentary provides the Scripture to be expounded. The New King James Bible has been chosen for the

Preacher's Commentary because it combines with integrity the beauty of language, underlying Hebrew and Greek textual basis, and thought-flow of the 1611 King James Version, while replacing obsolete verb forms and other archaisms with their everyday contemporary counterparts for greater readability. Reverence for God is preserved in the capitalization of all pronouns referring to the Father, Son, or Holy Spirit. Readers who are more comfortable with another translation can readily find the parallel passage by means of the chapter and verse reference at the end of each passage being expounded. The paragraphs of exposition combine fresh insights to the Scripture, application, rich illustrative material, and innovative ways of utilizing the vibrant truth for his or her own life and for the challenge of communicating it with vigor and vitality.

## **Money, Possessions, and Eternity**

The three steps of salvation in a nutshell are these - becoming a Christian; living the Christian life; and going to heaven. Theologians refer to these three steps as Justification, Sanctification, and Glorification. The first and third steps are instantaneous experiences, but the second step (sanctification) is a life long process whereby the Holy Spirit works in the believer's life to bring about practical holiness and transform his character into the likeness of Christ. It is this second step of salvation with which the believer struggles, because it requires putting to death the deeds of the body (saying "no" to our sin nature), and obeying the promptings of the Holy Spirit (saying "yes" to God) - this is the essence of spiritual warfare. Sadly, most churches in the West today pretty much ignore the issue of Sanctification, and just focus on Justification - either out of ignorance about what Scripture teaches, or out of fear that living a holy life is essentially "legalism." But living a life of obedience to Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit has nothing to do with legalism - legalists think they "gain favor with God" by being good, but believers obey Christ out of gratitude because they already "have favor with God!" The "key" to sanctified living is gratitude! The Bible emphatically describes God as being both loving and holy, yet western Christianity primarily focuses on God's love, and says almost nothing at all about His holiness. As such, the central message of most churches is one of love and forgiveness, with scarcely a word being said about holiness and death to sin and self. Satan is thrilled with our one dimensional Christianity, because it essentially leaves believers lukewarm, impotent and ineffectual. This book presents God's blueprint for spiritual development and portrays the "transformational experiences" every believer goes through in life - they include ups and downs, highs and lows, peaks and valleys, joy and suffering, victory and defeat - these experiences are the "norm" for every believer; none of us get a painless, trouble-free road to glory. Incidentally, the material presented in this book reflects the teachings of the most respected Christian theologians since the reformation - individuals the evangelical community has long recognized as being "pillars of the faith." To our lamentable regret, however, these teachings no longer have a prominent place in the vast majority of churches in the West. It is time for believers in America today to reconsider the fullness of God's call upon their lives. Donald W. Ekstrand is a retired pastor, adjunct professor, and author. Dr. Ekstrand holds degrees in finance, business education, theology and divinity, and is a graduate of Arizona State University, Talbot School of Theology, and Western Seminary. He has served as pastor, teacher,

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## **The Forty-Day Word Fast**

Now available in softcover with a new, contemporary watercolor design that blends with Jerry Bridge's most popular books. This new edition now includes the study guide (formerly available separately), combining that resource into this book. What Ever Happened to Sin? Jerry Bridges helps us confront the sins we tolerate. The Christian journey is a life of practiced godliness, but too often we overlook or minimize sins that, while corrosive and destructive to ourselves and those around us, are overshadowed by more flashy, headline-grabbing sins. This classic book from Jerry Bridges helps readers understand and commit to a life of holiness by examining patterns of behavior we often accept as normal, rather than as violations of God's law.

## **Enjoying God**

### **40-day Journey to the Heart of God**

Start a Year of Deep-Down Change Today! Change that goes deeper than the surface of our lives happens as we daily remember the truths of the gospel. Every day we need to be reminded that Jesus, God's own Son, came to this world to save us from sin, sorrow, and death. We need to remember every day how Jesus' life, death, resurrection, ascension, and promised return change the way we view ourselves and others. This devotional will be a daily reminder of these life-changing truths. The 366 selections, anchored in Scripture and saturated with the gospel, will help the reader to: Learn how God in his Word addresses a host of life situations Focus on how the gospel intersects with life Look beyond circumstances to God's purposes See how God values relationship and to learn to value it too by persisting, by speaking truth in love, and by not shying away from conflict Grow in wisdom when confronted by life's changes. Learn that God works change that is effective and visible. Topics covered in the devotional include: love, hope, grace, redemption, faith, contentment, conflict, relationships, prayer, fear, patience, humility, and anger.

## **Conscious Culture**

We want to live loving, joyful, anxiety-free lives. Yet how can we live in grace when we're so busy battling our old patterns of behavior? Jerry Bridges explores the nine aspects of the "fruit of the Spirit" described in Galatians 5:22-23: love, joy,

peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. These qualities of character can truly mark our lives if we devote ourselves to a twofold pursuit: God-centeredness and God-likeness. Jerry shows us how to practice the fruit in daily life. When *The Fruitful Life* first released, Jerry said, “It was the book I had wanted to write that included everything I forgot and/or learned since *The Pursuit of Holiness*.”

## **Soul Transformation**

We need good preaching—preaching that challenges us by God’s Word and brings the comfort that comes from God’s promises. Yet many of us rely solely on others to preach to us and are not benefitting from the kind of preaching that should be most consistent and personal—preaching to ourselves. *Note to Self* is a practical introduction to this daily discipline. Pastor Joe Thorn delivers fifty brief, devotional chapters that model preaching the gospel to ourselves and its practical implications. Readers will be challenged by the book’s direct, personal exhortations to apply the law and the gospel to their own lives. Part of the Re:Lit series.

## **The J. I. Packer Classic Collection**

*Discover the Gift* presents a simple roadmap to a journey of self-discovery that will undoubtedly change your life forever. Sharing their own heartfelt personal stories of tragedy and redemption, Demian and Shajen introduce us to eight fundamental steps that will help you discover the gift within you and prepare you to share that gift with others. Along the way, you will receive both direction and support from a wide range of the world's most influential transformational leaders, people from all walks of life who not only live their gift every day but who have made it their purpose to help you do the same. Among them are His Holiness the Dalai Lama, His Holiness Sri Sri Ravi Shankar, Mark Victor Hansen, Dr. Sonia Powers, Mary Manin Morrissey, Dr. Barbara De Angelis, Jack Canfield, and Michael Bernard Beckwith, to name just a few. Inspiring as well as practical, *Discover the Gift* illuminates that place inside each of us where an extraordinary gift awaits to come alive. Your destiny awaits. *Discover the gift. It's why you're here.*

## **Spiritual Journaling**

It’s easy to trust God when everything is going well. But when adversity strikes—a school shooting, a cancer diagnosis, a financial setback—do you wonder if God cares or if He’s even there at all? In this 31-day devotional, author Jerry Bridges tackles the doctrine of God’s sovereignty. These daily readings set the biblical foundation for the essential goodness of His character. In a clear and warm manner, Bridges explains how you can and should choose to trust God no matter what happens in life.

## **Out of the Saltshaker and Into the World**

What separates pastors who finish well from those who don't? When trusted pastors fall into sin and destroy a ministry, the entire body of believers gets hurt. After helping two large churches through the aftermath of such an event, Daniel Henderson discovered that pastoral failings are not primarily rooted in overdeveloped passions for self and sin but rather in underfed visions of eternity and a lack of zeal for God's glory. In *Glorious Finish*, Daniel Henderson teaches you: Why focusing on God's glory is the key to a fruitful ministry How leaders can build habits that keep them captivated by God and His glory How to stay glory-oriented in the grind, challenges, and spiritual attacks of ministry Forget the latest techniques and the strategies—spend some time recentering on what you know is most important—His glory.

## **Trusting God**

We know we're supposed to forgive, but we just can't forget. And it's that struggle in our soul that keeps our hurts and hearts from being healed - creating a gap between our pain and the peace we're so desperate for to seem completely unbridgeable. When it comes to forgiveness, we so easily confuse God's love with our own and find ourselves frustrated and confused without a clear understanding of what God is really asking us to do. It's through *The Forgiveness Factor* that you'll come to clearly understand what God means when He says to 'forgive'. And more than likely, it's not what you think. It's in uncovering the truth about forgiveness, by revealing the lies, that you'll be set free from the burden that forgiveness seems to bring. You'll realize that you're only giving up your hope for a different past realizing that wrongs may never be made right, but they can be forgiven.

## **The Spiritual Combat**

The Forty-Day Word Fast focuses on several biblically sound mechanisms to help you change your words and your life. Not only will your vocabulary change, your heart also will be transformed in just forty days.

## **Say Yes**

## **Come to the Waters**

## **The Only Little Prayer You Need**

“Emotional Advantage is such an uplifting answer to our challenging times. In its pages, you will find encouragement, support, and new perspectives. Randy Taran offers an antidote to emotional overwhelm—a powerful way to discover how useful your emotions can be in guiding you towards your best life.”—Marci Shimoff, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *Happy For No Reason* and *Chicken Soup for the Woman’s Soul* Award-winning author, producer, and founder of Project Happiness, Randy Taran knows that every emotion, feeling, and mental state has the power to bring us back to our true essence, and that readers can use *Emotional Advantage* as a guide to get there. In recent years, there has been an overwhelming interest in the science of happiness and positive psychology, and many books on the subject. There is a good reason for this: it is a core, universal human drive. And while happiness has opened the door for many to move forward, there is a burgeoning curiosity about the full range of human emotions, all of which factor into the human experience. What do we do when life does not go as planned? Neuroscience reveals that to understand and utilize any emotion, we need to “name it to tame it.” It turns out that even negative emotions have something to offer, if we know how to learn from them. Have you ever woken up in a fog of feelings and felt directionless? Or maybe it was hard to pinpoint exactly what you were feeling, but it wasn’t where you wanted to be? What if we could actually use our feelings as a pathway to guide us back to our inner compass? What if, like alchemists, we had the tools to transform our emotions to take charge of creating our very best life? What if we could comprehend how even the most troublesome emotions are sending messages to alert, protect, and fuel us forward? *Emotional Advantage* is that guide. It will show us how a new perspective on fear can move us to courage, how guilt can clarify our values, and how anger can help us create healthy boundaries.

## **Exploring a Wesleyan Political Theology**

Why is it easier to obey God than to trust Him? Because obeying God makes sense to us. In most cases, His laws appear reasonable and wise, and even when we don’t want to obey them, we usually concede that they are good for us. But the circumstances we find ourselves in often defy explanation. Before long, we begin to doubt God’s concern for us or His control over our lives. We ask, “Why is God allowing this?” or “What have I done wrong?” During such a time of adversity, Jerry Bridges began a thorough Bible study on the topic of God’s sovereignty. What he learned changed his life, and in *Trusting God* he shares the fruit of that study. As you explore the scope of God’s power over nations, nature, and even the details of your life, you’ll find yourself trusting Him more completely—even when life hurts. This new edition replaces both *Trusting God* (paperback ISBN 9781600063053) and the study guide (paperback ISBN 9781600063060) by combining both resources into one volume!

## **Emotional Advantage**

What does the Bible really say about money? This completely revised and updated version of the classic best-seller

provides a Christian perspective about money and material possessions based on the author's painstaking study of the Bible. Randy Alcorn uses the Scriptures to approach this often touchy subject head-on. Thought-provoking arguments challenge readers to rethink their attitudes and use their God-given resources in ways that will have an eternal impact. Alcorn deals straightforwardly with issues of materialism, stewardship, prosperity theology, debt, and more. An excellent choice for group study as well as individual financial guidance. Includes a study guide and appendix with additional resources.

### **Respectable Sins**

Confused, angry, and hurt after the death of his father, a young R. C. Sproul began his personal search for ultimate truth with these piercing questions: Who are you, God? And why do you do the things you do? In *Enjoying God*, readers journey with R. C. Sproul to discover the attributes of God through the questions many of us have asked: Where are you, God? Can I trust you, God? and more. In this warm, personal account, Dr. Sproul communicates deep truths in a fresh and easy-to-understand style as he shares his passion to know God and urges the reader to dig deep and seek the God who is alive, who is real, and who loves each one of us.

### **Transformational Discipleship**

The apostle Paul writes that we are to be transformed, but for many Christians, figuring out how to approach spiritual transformation can be elusive. Best-selling author Jerry Bridges helps us understand that we have available to us the ultimate power source for true spiritual growth: the gospel. In *The Transforming Power of the Gospel*, Bridges guides you through a thorough examination of: What the biblical meaning of grace is and how it applies to your life How Jesus' work in His life and death applies to the believer in justification and adoption Why basic spiritual disciplines are necessary for spiritual growth What role the Holy Spirit plays in both definitive and progressive sanctification

### **The Faith Walk**

Presents daily devotions that feature excerpts from the author's writings and teachings, including "Praying the Lord's Prayer" and "Evangelism and the Sovereignty of God."

### **The Transforming Power of the Gospel**

Compiles stories and wisdom from three church leaders about how to foster an environment where people can grow in their

Christian faith.

## **The Forgiveness Factor (eBook)**

The Faith Walk is a journey with God. Through daily surrender and submission, an obedient desire to follow God's Word and an underlying trust that God's ways are always best, you will discover the best possible life for yourself.

## **31 Days toward Trusting God**

God's Role and Our Role in the Pursuit of Holiness You are never beyond the reach of God's grace. Neither are you ever beyond the need of God's grace. Without grace we'd never come to Christ. But being a Christian is more than just coming to Christ, it's about growing and becoming more like Jesus. This pursuit of holiness is hard work, and as we enter into this discipline, we sometimes lose sight of grace. Jerry Bridges helps us steer clear of this disastrous distraction, offering a clear and thorough explanation of the gospel and what it means to the believer. Explore how the same grace that brings us to Christ also grows us in Christ. Includes full study guide (which was previously sold as a stand-alone discussion guide, ISBN 9781576839904).

## **Discover the Gift**

Jesus says his followers are the salt of the earth. But how do we cut through fear and guilt to communicate our faith effectively? Now part of the IVP Signature Collection, this bestselling classic by Rebecca Manley Pippert offers a refreshing view of evangelism as a lifestyle, pointing to Jesus as our model and helping us feel relaxed and enthusiastic about sharing the good news.

## **The Discipline of Grace**

"We need to encourage an understanding that inner peace comes from relying on human values like love, compassion, tolerance, and honesty, and that peace in the world relies on individuals finding inner peace." —His Holiness, the Dalai Lama These six words—please heal my fear-based thoughts—change lives. In this brief and inspiring book, based on Engle's study of A Course in Miracles, she explains how to use the prayer and experience immediate benefits: being less irritable, more patientlaughing morefeeling like you have more time, more energyworrying lessmaking decisions more easilysaying no without guilt A typical prayer goes something like this: "Please help us find the money to pay our mortgage this month." Saying the prayer may help you feel like the burden of that month's mortgage has been lifted, but the part of you that feeds

on fear will simply seek out new financial worries to keep you awake at night. Old patterns remain intact. In contrast, asking, "Please heal my fear-based thoughts about our mortgage" lifts the burden AND relieves the need to re-create that fear and hold onto it. This prayer heals your very desire for burdens, your addiction to fear-based thoughts, freeing you to live without that fear and with greater peace of mind. As a result, your financial situation is also free to improve. That's what makes it so different. One Facebook fan told Engle, "The most blessed aspect of this prayer is all the open space it creates for peace—I never knew how many fear-based thoughts were clogging up in me until this prayer."

## **The Practice of Godliness**

Do you want your daily devotional to have more substance? Then you will appreciate this one-year devotional from Navigator author Jerry Bridges. Each entry has been carefully selected from his best writings, connecting with you on a deeper level and encouraging personal discovery. This quick daily read is full of inspiration, commitment, and transformation for men and women to grow in spiritual maturity.

## **Heart of the Matter**

What distinguishes a follower of Jesus? The contributors to Five Traits of a Christ Follower—each with a long history of knowing Jesus and making him known—see five “core competencies” as critical to authentic discipleship; growing in relationship with God, knowing and living from the Scriptures, engaging those who don’t know Christ, living in community with other believers, and equipping others to follow Christ. Spend a month with a master class of disciple-makers, and find yourself growing in your capacity, and your enthusiasm, for following Christ. Foreword by Jerry Bridges. Contributors from The Navigators and friends include Jen Hatmaker, Len Sweet, Jane Kirkpatrick, and others.

## **The Pursuit of Holiness**

Legendary Reformed preacher illuminates key truths of Scripture for daily devotion.

## **Daniel**

Join inspiring author Tammy M. Price on a faith-filled, powerful journey to the heart of God's holiness. The exciting 40-day adventure guides you learn how to pray, how to live a life of prayer and holiness, and to find and fulfill your divine destiny. Find over 1000 scriptures to teach you in how to let the Holy Spirit cleanse your heart, fill and direct you."

## **I Stand at the Door and Knock**

With employee engagement between 26-30 percent leaders are looking for ways to engage untapped employee potential and maximize their capital investment in HR. A new business paradigm is emerging in the twenty-first century where an organization's culture is the most important and valuable asset a company has to attract, engage, and retain top talent. The most successful corporations in the world are values-driven and consciously invest in building their workplace culture so that it aligns with the personal values of their people. Values are a source of life-force energy that come from within. They inspire and motivate us and embody our heart and soul. Study of contextual cardiology has demonstrated the existence and power of the heart's energy. We experience this in the form of emotional intelligence and intuition. The more leaders practice connecting with their emotional intelligence (emotions such as love, compassion, loyalty, and trust), the more effective they will be at leading themselves and others. This is because employees are looking for leaders they can trust and who care for others, want to make a difference, and contribute to society. A facilitative leadership style is the key to transforming an organization and creating a culture of engagement. It moves people from being focused on "me" (self-interest) to "we" (common good). Facilitative leaders unify the organization, connect hearts and minds, empower employees to bring their best selves to work, and create a WOW culture where employees love what they do. The book contains unique tools for inner and outer transformation, along with case studies and worksheets to support leaders' journeys of culture change to measure, map, and manage cultural transformation. What you measure you can manage. Organizational transformation begins with the personal transformation of the leaders because organizations don't change; it's the people in them who do. Leaders learn how to "walk the talk" and be the change they want to see.

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