



10 Keys To Reconnect With God

By Eric Célérier Author of The Daily Encouragement "A Miracle Every Day" A re you having a hard time praying or feeling God's presence in your life? Do you feel like you're floundering in your life as a Christian? Yet, man needs God like he needs water and oxygen... People call me "the pastor of social networking". Through my emails, I've had the privilege of helping hundreds of thousands of people to thrive in their lives as Christians. My greatest desire is to help you prosper in your life with the help of God.

That is why I offer you this E-book: "10 keys to (re)connect with God" I pray that this book will be a blessing in your life! Through this book, you will discover why praying is as important as breathing, how to start your day with God, why and how to read the Bible, the importance of gratitude, how faith moves mountains...et cetera. And finally, you'll find the resources to go further.

If you feel like it's time to reconnect with God, this E-book is meant for you! You will see God beginning to move again in your life! He promised: *"You will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart."*

Jeremiah 29:13

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With the Holy Spirit's help, be the change that you wish to see in your own life!

KEYNUMBER In the beginning God...

One day, while we were taking a walk in the forest, my wife Muriel and I came across someone riding a bike who had put a log in his front basket. We said to ourselves, "How smart! If he does that every day, by the end of the year, he'll have brought home 365 logs! And he'll have enough firewood for the whole year without ever spending anything."

This led us to start discussing the power of small habits. Sometimes we're waiting for huge change to happen in our lives, but the reality is that the biggest changes often start with small, repeated actions that add up.

Here are several small habits that are easy to implement. They are true keys to experiencing change!

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Be Grateful

Being grateful means expressing our gratitude to God and others. It often begins with a "thank you".

Praise God **Jun**

When you praise the name of Jesus and allow the Holy Spirit to act, His power can operate strongly on your behalf!

尺」 Speak With God This means engaging in conversation with your Heavenly Father.

Help Someone Į Perhaps there's someone you could help today with an act of service, like a good

Samaritan?

Listen To God

You can do this by reading the Bible, listening to a good message, or remaining silent before the Lord. It's the best way to hear when someone's speaking to you.



God intends for you to live an abundant life!

(the Bible, John 10:10)

It's possible for you! With the Holy Spirit's help, be the change that you wish to see in your own life.

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Did you know that the first words of the Bible are "In the beginning God..."? It's an important secret: put God first in your days, your activities, your decisions, and you will, most certainly, (re)connect with Him and see Him act in your life!

Testimony

"Just three months ago, I was on the verge of falling into a deep depression because of financial concerns that had lasted for 6 years and unemployment. The Lord allowed me to discover A Miracle Every Day. It has been an incredible spiritual help, adapted to my needs each day. I also took an online course on finances. That really helped me.

My faith was really tested. At that time, I also joined a prayer group on Facebook called "Let's Pray For One Another". The members helped me to pray and ask the Lord for another job. And a new job did come along! Not just one job... but two. I now teach French on the Internet and in a language school."

-Marie Louise



Praying is like breathing. It's vital!



KEYNUMBER Prayer is the breath of the soul

I'm sure you have many things to think about and organize today. However, I'm sure that there's one thing you didn't write down on your to-do list, without which you can't do anything else... Breathe!

This vitally important action happens without any reflection or deep decision making on your part. Yet, you have a fundamental and natural need to continuously breathe.

A human being has about 20,000 respiratory cycles each day. Inhaling, exhaling. Fortunately, you don't need to think about each breath. You don't plan to breathe, you just do it.

In the same way, prayer, communication, and intimate communion with God is indispensable for a balanced spiritual life.



Taking the time each day to speak with God and receive His counsel and encouragement is essential. It's what I do each morning, before even getting out of bed.

I turn my thoughts to the Lord. Towards His greatness, His goodness, His kindness, His love...I breathe in, and I breathe out. I receive His life and give Him mine.

Communion with God is what keeps you "alive" every day. It is absolutely vital. I invite you to make it more than a habit. Make it a lifestyle!

In time, speaking with God and seeking His counsel will become as natural as breathing to you!



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In Action

Praying is simply talking with God. Like we speak to a friend. Praying is a conversation. We speak... and we listen. So here's your second key to (re)connect with God. Talk to Him! He will listen.

Testimony

"I couldn't seem to find a job with suitable hours. As a single mother, I only saw my son in the morning before dropping him off at school. I asked God to give me a good job with regular hours.

One day on Facebook, I came across a job offer. I sent in my resume, thinking that they'd never call me because it was too good to be true.

To my great surprise, they called me one day and said that my resume had been selected. I now work in a company with office hours, and I see my son in the morning and evening.

I'm so happy! God answered my prayer."

-Deborah



God never speaks empty words. Everything he says comes to pass.

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Have you ever noticed how we can say things "lightly"? "Yes, I promise. I'll do it this week," someone tells us...And then, a new week starts... and nothing has been done. Has this ever happened to you? Sometimes, we're the ones who promised and didn't keep our commitment. Luckily, God is truly different from us humans! He declares in His Word, "So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; it shall not return to Me void, but it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it." (Isaiah 55:11)

You can be assured that, whatever God told you, His Word will come to pass! His Word doesn't fly away and dissipate into thin air. On the contrary, it accomplishes what it was sent to accomplish and returns to God after having fully done His will. This is why, even if you doubt sometimes, the Bible assures you that the Word "shall prosper" and "shall accomplish" what God pleases!

God has so many promises for you! Promises of salvation (Romans 10:9), peace (John 14:27), healing (Exodus 15:26), et cetera.

None of these promises are empty words - they all accomplish God's plan for your life.

God never speaks in vain. Everything He says comes to pass! Here is a magnificent promise from the Word of God for you: **"For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope." (Jeremiah 29:11)**



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You will find God's promises in the Bible. And you'll find the Bible in a bookstore, a church or on an app for your smartphone.

I personally use the YouVersion Bible App to enrich my spiritual life and (re)connect with God through His Word.

There's a reason the Bible is the most bought and read book in the world! Let's read the Word of God!

Testimony

"A relative was suffering from a serious heart condition. Someone sent us the link for *A Miracle Every Day* to encourage us.

We held tightly to God's promises, and just a few months later, his health had clearly improved.

It even surprised all the doctors! I know that this happened because of the power of prayer.

Glory to God! We continue to entrust Him with our futures."

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-Nelly

But his delight is in The law of the Lord, and in His law he meditates day and night. The Bible, Psalm 1:2

Meditating on the Word illuminates our lives!

It says in the Bible: "Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stands in the path of sinners, nor sits in the seat of the scornful; but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law he meditates day and night." (Psalm 1:1-2)

Meditating on His Word...day and night? Isn't that a bit tedious? Not at all! :-) These verses say that the psalmist finds his delight in the law of the Lord.

In other words, it does his soul good and brings him joy, a feeling of satisfaction. He even says that he finds pleasures forevermore at God's right hand! (Psalm 16:11)

It's going over it, and then going back over it, within your heart. It's a bit like chewing gum (relatively speaking).

In the beginning, it may be a bit tough to chew, but in time, it becomes easier and easier. And then you start to enjoy it!







We read, think, and pray about a verse over and over again, "chewing on it" for several hours, days, or weeks perhaps.

Then, all of a sudden, it illuminates a specific situation in our lives! It's the Word of God coming alive. It's what **Psalm 119:130** says:

"The entrance of Your words gives light; it gives understanding to the simple."

His Word is alive, and it is extraordinary. (Hebrews 4:12)

Let's thank God together for His incredible Word! "Lord, thank You for Your Word, Your Word that brings me joy, Your Word that leads me.

I want to meditate on it every day, every moment. I don't want to miss the treasures You have for me in the Bible!

I pray that it transforms me and accomplishes its work in me so that every day, I become more and more like You! In Jesus's name, amen!"





In Action

Meditate on the Bible. Dwell on it, continually bring to mind the Words promises in your heart.

Testimony

"Before, I was an easy prey to doubt and fear because I felt alone. Every time I did something, I feared the consequences and what would happen next.

Now, I understand that I'm not alone and that the One who walks beside me is the Master of time and circumstances. Nothing is impossible for Him! His presence is here. Thank you, *A Miracle Every Day.*"

-Peter



Every moment of every day, God wants to communicate with you.



Did you know that God is the Word? The Bible tells us so... "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." (John 1:1)

If God is the Word, it makes sense that He wants to speak! In the Garden of Eden, before the fall, God walked and talked with Adam and Eve every day.

He wants to do the same thing with each of His children, still today, and thus with you too!

God wants to communicate with you, every moment of every day. Of course, He loves listening to you.

But He also loves to speak with you, tell you what's on His heart. Talk to you about His love for you and also for those around you.

Do you want to hear Him? Do you want to have this communication with God?

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Simply open your heart. Make your spiritual ears sensitive to His voice. Focus your thoughts on Jesus and simply listen to hear Him speak to you.

God loves you and desires to communicate with you. Listen to Him throughout your day!

Testimony

"A Miracle Every Day brings answers to my prayers, promises that I've been waiting for, or confirmations, and each time, my heart expands and is so filled with hope and joy.

I also send it to those I love who are also waiting for a message and encouragement from God."





It is so good to begin and end each day with gratitude!



I don't know about you, but sometimes things can rub me the wrong way.

In other words, annoy or irritate me. How do I react when that happens?

I choose gratitude rather than an "attitude". I consciously try to choose to be thankful for all the good things that God has given me, rather than complaining!

For example, maybe your child, teenager, and/or spouse isn't acting exactly how you'd like, but there are certainly things inside of them that you appreciate.

Be grateful for the good things! Don't focus only on what bothers and displeases you. The Bible says that it's out of the abundance of the heart that the mouth speaks (Luke 6:45).

If you're feeding your heart negative feelings, they're certain to end up coming out of your mouth and making the situation worse.

But when we're living in a place of daily gratitude for the things that God has given us, then, like a good father, He causes them to multiply in our lives!





In Action

From today forward, choose to live with gratitude. Make it a habit in your life.

Begin and end each day with gratitude and thankfulness to the Lord, and don't let what's rubbing you wrong determine your attitude any longer!

As the expression goes, "It's not happy people who are thankful, it's thankful people who are happy."

Let's live life this way!

Testimony

"I went through some very difficult and painful times after my husband's death. I lost my bearings and felt alone with my two children.

Yet, day after day, I noticed that God was guiding me because, despite all the trials, things began to get better bit by bit. And one day, *A Miracle Every Day* came into my life, just when I really needed comfort.

Each day, God is showing me His endless love for me by giving me strength and courage.

Thank you a million times over."

-Lola



The best way to start a day is by remaining silent and allowing God to speak us.

KEYNUMBER Silence is golden!

In the morning, after a night of sleep, our bodies wake up. So, we stretch, try to shake off the fog of sleepiness. Some need a bit of coffee or a shower to fully wake up.

Others, almost impulsively, look at their emails, texts, or Facebook and start to fill their heads with a mass of information, some of it pleasant, some of it not so much.

And the preoccupations begin. I have personally done this far too often, and I'd like you to avoid this error...

God made you a living soul. He placed His breath of life in you. And this breath, this divine life, also needs to be renewed daily.

The awakening of your soul, when the sweet breeze of the Holy Spirit breathes into your life, is already a miracle every day.



"...He awakens Me morning by morning, He awakens My ear to hear as the learned." (Isaiah 50:4)

In the first book of Kings, we see Elijah the prophet on a mountain, quite preoccupied, waiting for the presence of God to manifest. There's a lot of noise, a violent wind, an earthquake, and a fire, but God is not in any of these, the Bible tells us (1 Kings 19:11-13). Then, a still small voice comes... and God is in this voice!

So, the Lord starts to speak with Elijah. And Elijah speaks to the Lord. It's there that Elijah opens his heart to Him, shares his pain, and receives words of hope and direction for the future.

This place where the Lord waits for you, every morning, is the silence. When you wake up, don't throw yourself into the "noise" and chaos.



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Today, remain in silence and ask God to awaken your soul, to teach you to listen. Fix your thoughts on Jesus Christ.

Let the Holy Spirit visit you, speak to your soul, and bring you into the life of a trained disciple. God speaks when we are quiet.

Testimony

"You once sent me a message about God's faithfulness. I read it and meditated on it. In my prayers, I proclaimed that God is a faithful God.

I was dreaming of pursuing my studies abroad, but I didn't know where to start, me, who lives in Africa. I trusted God, and He again proved His faithfulness to me by giving me a scholarship to a reputable university in Russia."

-Germain

Faith is expecting the best!



We draw what we fear to ourselves. This is what the Bible says: **"For the thing I greatly feared has come upon me, and what I dreaded has happened to me."** (Job 3:25)

Do you dread bad news? It arrives. Are you afraid of getting sick? It happens. You dread getting a bill, and there it is...in the mailbox. It's for good reason that the Bible says, "for the thing I greatly feared has come upon me." Why does the Bible talk about this?

The Word of God is here to encourage you and teach you the keys to a victorious, powerful life in Jesus Christ. What we learn from this verse in Job is that fear opens a door to the enemy.

However, consider this: Faith is the opposite of fear! It's like fear reversed. It's expecting the good things we hope for to happen.

What I wait for... is what happens to me. I attract what I expect, what I'm meditating on, what I'm dwelling on in my heart. So, if I'm expecting the best, I will draw the best!

And as I feed on the Word of God (which reminds me of His kindness and goodness), I draw what is good unto myself.

Maybe you'd say to me, *"Eric, that's a bit simple... Almost too easy.* "True, but it's biblical. The most effective solutions are not necessarily the most complicated. :-) I love the simplicity of our gospel!



BEIGHTH KEY

In Action

I encourage you to renounce fear and every negative thought, to keep your eyes fixed on the Lord's mercies that are new for you this morning.

When a negative thought intrudes in your life, immediately replace it with a thought and word of faith!

Testimony

"With A Miracle Every Day, my day begins with a message from heaven.

It assures me that I exist because there's someone who takes care of me, who calls me by my name, who speaks to me and helps me progress in faith, trust, and love.

It sharpens my faith and teaches me about the Word...I feel understood and loved by God."

-Ray



Let the power of God break forth through vour song.



Do you want to know a secret? A song lifting high the name of Jesus carries great power and freedom.

The Bible gives us a glimpse of the power of praise: when Paul and Silas were unjustly imprisoned, they begin to sing to the glory of God.

Instead of moaning and commiserating, they choose to lift their voices to Jesus.

And as they lift up Jesus's name, suddenly an earthquake shakes the ground, the doors fling open, and the prisoners' chains break loose! What a miracle!

(Acts 16:25-26) This same power of praise and worship is for you.

Are there doors that need to be opened or chains that must be broken in your life?

As King David said, "I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised; so shall I be saved from my enemies." (Psalm 18:3)

As you cry out "Praise the Lord!", you are delivered from your enemies!





Today, praise Jesus! Sing to Him with strength and conviction! Believe, declare, and sing that He is above every principality and power! And watch things move in your life.

The Bible says that God inhabits the praises of His people. What a great way to (re)connect with Him!

Testimony

"I had just lost my twin sister and was really suffering when I saw an invitation for *A Miracle Every Day.*

So I subscribed. From the very first day I received it, it was as if God was speaking to me through you. I have learned to praise God, and my thoughts have begun to change.

My heart opened to Jesus's love. I have been strengthened, encouraged, comforted, and blessed... Thank You, Lord."

-Celine



You are a living stone in this extraordinary family, the body of Christ and you perfectly belong!

KEY NUMBER 100 How I love Gods family!

I thank the Lord for the many brothers and sisters in Christ He has given me, and I never cease to be amazed by the diversity and beauty of the family of God... a family you're part of as well! Yes, God chose you, called you, and adopted you as His child.

"And they sang a new song, saying: 'You are worthy to take the scroll, and to open its seals; for You were slain, and have redeemed us to God by Your blood out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation. (Revelation 5:9)

You are part of this family comprised of people from every tribe, tongue, and nation.

Wow! When you think about it, it's truly marvelous, miraculous! You have brothers and sisters throughout the four corners of the earth. Within this family, you have a unique role to play...to encourage, support, lift up, pray, et cetera. This family is precious! Cherish it, love it.

I'd like to share the testimony of Pascaline with you. She writes,

"I suffered for a long time from rejection and always saw myself as incapable. Today, I'm learning to see myself in God's mirror, to prevail in victory over my failures, to realize that my God is for me and with me. That each day, He is the rock upon which I build my life, my fortress, and my shelter."

Like Pascaline, you are part of this one-ofa-kind family that's the body of Christ, and you perfectly belong... Believe it today!



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You are part of God's family! This family gets together in churches, homes, small groups, et cetera. Jesus said that where two or more are gathered in His name, He is there in the midst of them.

Seek out opportunities to join with other Christians and pray, listen to a message about the Word of God... It will help you to (re)connect with God!

Testimony

"A Miracle Every Day is a true reminder of God's love for me. I've become fully aware of my identity in Christ. I am worthy and valuable in God's eyes; I've been through very hard times, but never again will I blame God for them.

I trust Him from this point forward, and I know that He's here. Thank you for everything."

-Radelie





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