



# Before the THRONE

## The Devotional

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Psalm 119:147 – 148

“I anticipate the dawning of the morning, and cried; I hoped in Your Word. My eyes anticipate the night watches that I might meditate in Your Word.” Psalm 119:147 – 148

Anticipation is a great motivator! In the natural realm of things anticipation may even run so emotionally high that once the desired object comes there may be an emotional let down!

Most hard working individuals anticipate Fridays because 1) it's payday, and 2) because it marks the beginning of the weekend – a time off from labor and a time to do what you want. This anticipation or active hope enables us to bear the burden of a week's work with its pressures and difficulties. Expectation of good also helps the time pass more agreeably.

When a loved one is far away we anticipate their phone call and expectantly await their return. Both the early morning as well as the evening hours may provide us time before and after the hectic-ness of life, where we may open the Word of God and wait with expectation for the Spirit to speak to us. Not every quiet time will produce life changing words from God, but soon those times will become life changing as you choose to sit daily at the Master's feet. “And *Martha* had a sister called *Mary*, which also sat at Jesus' feet, and heard His words. ... Jesus said “...But one thing is needful, and *Mary* has chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her.” (Luke 10:39 – 42)

“LORD, may I anticipate the morning's light and the evening's quiet that I may, with *Mary* the sister of *Martha*, sit at Your feet! Holy Spirit, thank You for creating in me a hunger and a thirst for the Word of God!”

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