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Perhaps the heaviest burden we try to carry is the burden of mistakes, failures. What do you do with your failures? Do you carry them around with you? We can't carry our mistakes alone—somebody has to help us carry them. God doesn't want you burdened with past failures. He wants you freed of them, and he's the only one who can give you that freedom.

Saturday / Sunday

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New Year's Day

*With the loving mercy of our God,
a new day from heaven will dawn
upon us.*

LUKE 1:78

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It's not easy to hear the voice of God when popular opinion tells you it's okay to be immoral or when your friends cheat on their income tax. But if you remain true to what you know to be right and godly, God says you will be blessed.

Monday

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Now we hope for the blessings God has for his children. These blessings, which cannot be destroyed or be spoiled or lose their beauty, are kept in heaven for you.

1 PETER 1:4

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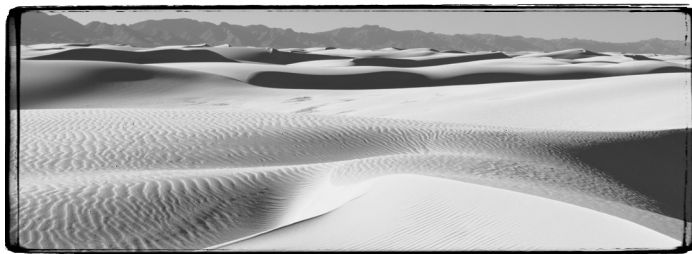
Our hope is the anchor for the soul. “Where’s your hope?” Jesus asks. It is the confident hope of the return of Christ.

Tuesday

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Through Christ you believe in God, who raised Christ from the dead and gave him glory. So your faith and your hope are in God. 1 PETER 1:21

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It's not hard to have faith when all of our bills are being paid and our kids are healthy and our marriage is intact. It's not hard to have faith when God gives us everything we want. The true test of faith comes when circumstances are difficult, when our train of hope gets derailed.

Wednesday

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If we are not faithful, he will still be faithful, because he cannot be false to himself.

2 TIMOTHY 2:13

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A good lesson on the faithfulness of a friend is in the story of the paralytic whose friends took him to be healed by Jesus. When they saw crowds of people hanging outside the windows and door, it would have been easy for those friends to turn back. Instead, they cut a hole in the roof and lowered their sick friend down to Jesus. What loyalty of friendship! Are you that kind of friend?

Thursday

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*A friend loves you all the time, and
a brother helps in time of trouble.*

PROVERBS 17:17

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Do you want to simplify your life? Then clarify what your task is. What are the words, what are the concepts, what message do you want to transmit to your friends and family? The truth of Jesus Christ is the simple truth of his sacrifice.

Friday

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Always be ready to answer everyone who asks you to explain about the hope you have.

1 PETER 3:15

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