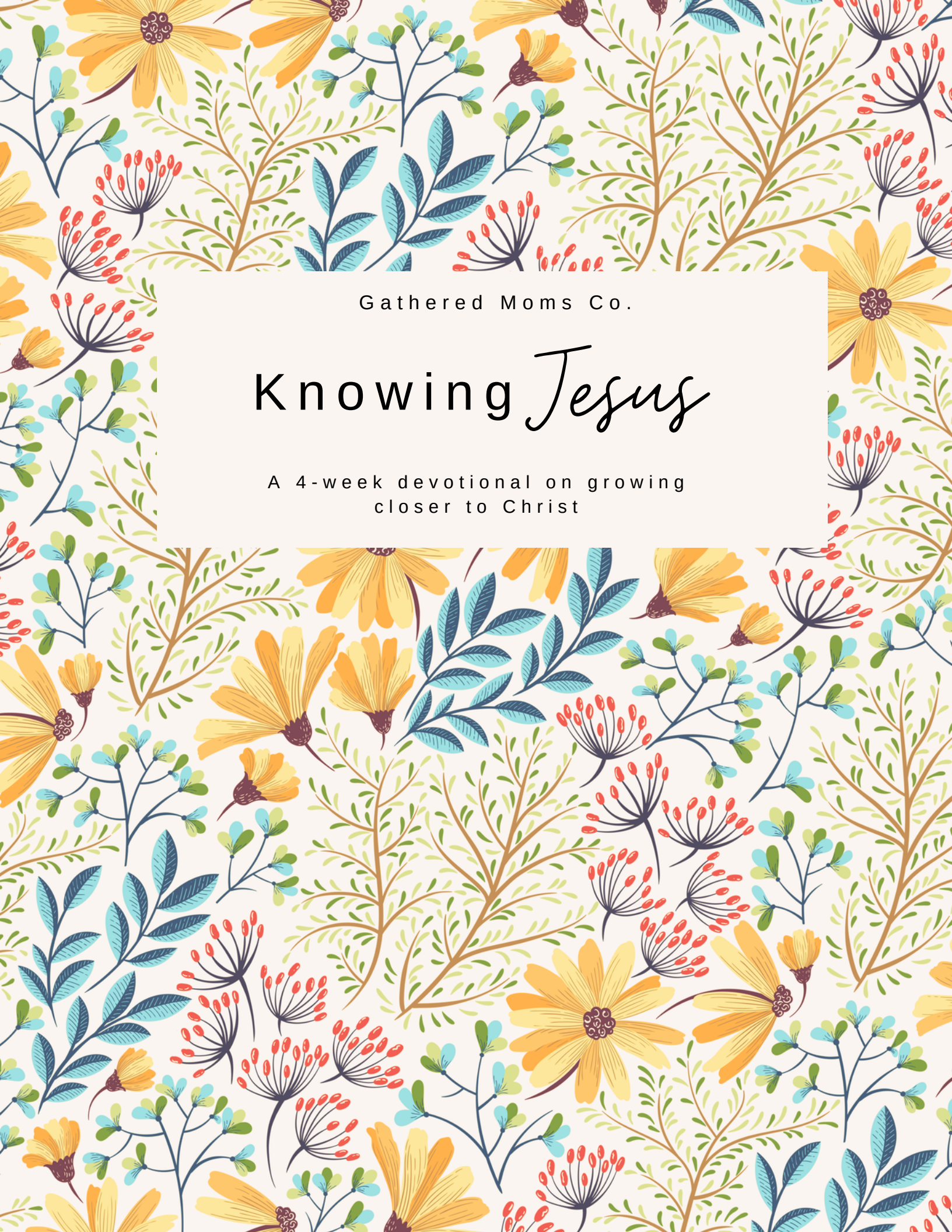




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Knowing *Jesus*

A 4-week devotional on growing
closer to Christ

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Walking with Jesus isn't about becoming perfect, it's about becoming faithful. Just as physical strength grows through consistency, our faith grows through spending daily time with Him.

Over the next four weeks, we invite you to slow down, open your Bible, and make space to know Jesus more deeply. This devotional was created with a simple prayer: that every woman who reads these pages would feel encouraged, reminded of God's presence and love, and be strengthened in her faith.

- Week 1: Listening to God through Scripture
- Week 2: Talking with God through prayer
- Week 3: Learning to trust Him
- Week 4: Living by faith each day

We pray that these four weeks help you slow down enough to hear God's voice, become rooted in His truth, and grow in your relationship with Jesus.

If you join us at Strength & Scripture, this devotional is something we can experience together as a community. We'll have the opportunity to share what God is teaching us, encourage one another, pray together, and remind each other that we were never meant to walk this journey of faith alone.

Whether you're joining us in person, reading from home, or simply picking this up whenever you have a quiet moment, you are welcome here.

So take a deep breath. Let's slow down, open His Word, and grow together.

With Love,

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Week 1 Intro:

God speaks through His Word

Have you ever felt like you've been going through life blindly, without direction, trying to navigate all of the pressure and advice from society? The truth is, we live surrounded by voices. Culture tells us who we should be, what we should value, what success looks like, and what should satisfy us. The more we listen to those voices, the harder it can be to recognize the voice of God.

But God speaks to us through Scripture, giving us direction for our lives. His Word gives us light for our path. It helps us see clearly when the world around us feels confusing. This devotional is about knowing Jesus: but it isn't simply about knowing facts about Him, it's about becoming familiar with Him: his character, His truth, and His voice. We become familiar with His voice by spending time in His Word.

This week, we're focusing on how to **hear** Jesus and allow His words to guide us. Here are verses to keep in mind about how Jesus leads us to our Father:

- **John 14:6** – "Jesus answered, 'I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.'"
- **1 Timothy 2:5** – "For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus."
- **Ephesians 2:18** – "For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit."

Week One

God speaks through His word



- Write down **Psalm 119:105** and circle any words that stand out to you.
- In biblical times, a small hand-held clay lamp only shone bright enough to see the next one or two steps ahead. What does this verse teach you about the way God wants to lead you?
- The writer of this Psalm faced traps and hardships (verses 107–110). Reflect on a time when Scripture provided clarity or direction in a challenging situation. How did God's Word act as a "lamp" or a "light" for you?
- Is there an area of your life where you wish you could see the whole path ahead? What would it look like to trust Jesus with the next step instead?
- What is one step you can take this week to draw closer to Jesus and allow His Word to guide you?

Week One

God speaks through His word



- Read **John 10:27** and write it here. As you write, think about Jesus as the Good Shepherd.
- Jesus says, **“My sheep listen to my voice.”** Are you becoming familiar enough with Jesus’ voice to recognize when something you hear contradicts His character and truth?
- The primary way we hear God’s voice is through His Word. When we neglect spending time in His Word, it can become harder to recognize His voice. The messages and pressures of the world can creep in, which can ultimately prevent us from being transformed by God. What/who is influencing your decisions each day? Are they helping you become more like Jesus, or slowly shaping you according to the world’s standards? (see **Galatians 1:10**).
- Think about what you spend most of your day doing. What are your thoughts like? How do you speak to others? What do your priorities reveal about your relationship with Jesus? Is there a habit could you remove or replace in order to make room for time in Scripture?

Week One

Action steps



The goal is to know Jesus more- and to become so familiar with His voice that we recognize it, trust it, and follow Him.

Instead of rushing through Scripture just to check it off your list, sit with the Word long enough for it to sit with you. You may not feel transformed immediately, but over time, you will grow in your relationship with the Father and your heart and mind will be renewed.

- Set aside distractions to be in the presence of Jesus each day this week
- Wake up 15-20 minutes earlier to read and pray before your day starts
- Choose a verse for the week and write it down where you'll frequently see it. Each day, recite and meditate on the verse whenever possible. Allow this single slice of God's Word (your daily bread) to saturate your conscious thoughts.
- Write down how He uses it to give you direction in your daily life and feel free to share with your community at our next gathering.

Prayer

Write down a prayer for Jesus to help you become familiar with His voice. Ask Him to teach you to recognize His truth when the world speaks something different and to renew your mind through His Word.