IS YOUR BATTERY DEAD?

Day 5 - Fully Charged and Ready to Shine

Scripture: "Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." – Matthew 5:16 (NIV)

There's nothing quite like the satisfaction of seeing that little battery icon turn green and full. You glance down at your phone — 100% — and suddenly feel ready for the day. No more low-power mode, no dimmed screen, no panic about your phone dying halfway through a conversation. You're charged and ready to go.

I once left my phone on the charger all night and the next morning it was so full of power that I joked, "I could run the whole world off this thing today!" Of course, five hours later I was at 32% because life (and group texts) happen. But that moment of being fully charged felt good — it felt *ready*.

That's exactly what God wants for you spiritually.

He doesn't just want to recharge you so you can *survive* the day — He wants to fill you so you can *shine*.

Jesus said, "Let your light shine before others." But here's the thing—your light can only shine if your battery has power. You can't encourage others when you're empty. You can't pour out joy, peace, or kindness if your own tank is dry. That's why the first four days of this devotional have been about plugging back into your Source, resting, and reconnecting. Now it's time to use that charge.

A fully charged believer lights up the atmosphere.

When your heart is full of God's love, it shows in your words, your patience, your laughter, and even in how you handle stress. People notice. You become a walking testimony that says, "God is my power source — and He never runs out."

But here's another truth — batteries drain when they're being used. That means you'll need to keep coming back to the Source, again and again. Staying fully charged isn't a one-time event; it's a lifestyle. You don't just plug in when you're empty; you stay connected so you can keep shining.

Think about how much brighter the world could be if believers stopped running on low power and started living fully charged. Instead of walking around tired, fearful, and frustrated, we'd walk around radiant, peaceful, and purpose-filled. That's the kind of light that points people straight to Jesus.

So today, don't hide your light. Use your charge for something that matters. Encourage that coworker who's been struggling. Text that friend who's on your heart. Pray for the person who frustrates you. Serve someone quietly without needing credit. Those are all ways of shining — of releasing the power God has poured into you.

And when the day drains you (because it will), go right back to the charger. Sit in God's presence, worship, rest, and let Him fill you again. The world doesn't need more burned-out Christians — it needs believers who know how to stay connected to their Source.

Reflection:

- Where in your life is God calling you to shine His light more boldly?
- Who in your circle might need a little "charge" from your encouragement or kindness?
- How can you make staying connected to God a daily rhythm, not just a Sunday routine?

Prayer:

Lord, thank You for recharging me through Your presence and Your Word. I don't want to keep that power to myself — I want to shine for You. Help me to walk in Your strength, speak with Your love, and serve with Your heart. When life drains me, remind me to return to You again and again. Keep me fully charged and ready to shine Your light in a world that needs hope. In Jesus Name We Pray, Amen.

Series Summary Thought:

Your spiritual battery was never meant to stay dead. When you plug back into prayer, rest, worship, and truth, God restores your power, recharges your faith, and relights your fire. So stay connected — and keep shining.