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Wisdom Diary is a collection of powerful, faith-building, success-motivating and life-transforming quotes from Dr. David O. Oyedepo.

These quotes, as you meditate on them (along with the corresponding scriptures), will fortify and encourage you to rise up to a more meaningful and productive Christian life.

They are words you will never forget! They are words you go to bed with, and you wake up full of electric ideas that will make a shining star out of you.

They are words brewed in a hot pot of a heart full of insights and revelations, with spiritual understanding that has been proved in 27 years of adventurous Christian living, and 15 years of committed ministry.

They are not words of an academic mind, No! They are words of a mind that is breathing with the intensity of the life of God, contacted through a diligent study life.

They are words coming from a wealth of knowledge, gathered through excited fellowship with anointed books, and ceaseless search in the Bible—"God’s wisdom bank", as Dr. Oyedepo calls it.

As you treasure these words of wisdom, your life will surely blossom into an enviable treasure on the earth.

Don’t only read these words, think them, talk them and do them. They will mould your destiny.

Ministry is not a vocation, nor is it a career; it's a heavenly calling.

— 1 Timothy 1:12

Ministry is reaching the souls of men with a message from the Lord.

— Acts 2:22-37

In ministry, as soon as your focus shifts, your suffering begins.

— Matthew 6:22

When the call is full-time, it requires the fullness of your time.

— Luke 11:34

When you call yourself, it's a self-inflicted curse, because you don't have His backing.

— Hebrews 5:4

When you lack personal encounter, you lack impact.

— Acts 10:38

Doing it is not what makes it go on, it's doing it right.

— Proverbs 14:12

It's only a fool who follows the instruction of someone who has no evidence.

— Hebrews 6:12

If you're not ready for truth, don't step into ministry!

— 3 John: 9-11

Ministry is not in possessions, neither in acquisitions; but in impact!

— Acts 8:4-13

Until God has reached you, you can't reach anyone.

— Acts 9:1-20

The things you have not seen, touched, nor handled, you cannot impart to others.

— 1 John 1:1-3

Progress never ends if truth never dries up.

— Psalm 1:1-3

No lazy man will ever get God's approval.

— 2 Timothy 2:15

If the growth of your church is poor, it's your spiritual location that is poor, not the location of the church. So, go and work on yourself!

— Acts 6:7

Your strength is a function of your depth in the truth.

— Proverbs 24:5

Until God has touched you, you can't touch anybody.

— John 3:31-33

Many have nothing to show for their callings because of their lack of adequate and relevant knowledge.

— Ecclestiastes10:15

The things you have not proved in your life cannot move others who listen to you.

— 1 John 1:3

Until your person is edified, your listeners will never be edified.

— Acts 4:31

As long as your motive is not approved, your ministry will not be approved.

— John 6:24-26

Those who build on gifts never last. But those who build on the Word of God stand the test of time.

— Luke 6:46-49

No ministry that is not rooted in the Word has a tomorrow.

— Isaiah 40:8

Your best may not always be equal to right.

— Proverbs 3:5-7

Living the discoveries you make in the Word is what makes you impactful.

— 1 Timothy 4:15-16

Funfair Christianity only leads to cheap failure.

— Proverbs 12:11

The depth of your insight determines your status in ministry.

— Acts 6:7

Stop doing things as convenient! Do them as commanded.

— 1 Samuel 13:11-14

Grow in the Word. As you do that you place a demand on heaven to increase your church.

— Acts 6:7

If you see nothing ahead, you get nothing infront.

— Jeremiah 1:11-12

Leadership is not authentic except the said leader is ahead.

— Judges 7:17

Those who do it anyhow end up anyhow.

— 2 Peter 1:10

You have a set destination, yes! But as long as you're on the wrong track, you never get there.

— Proverbs 13:15

Honour in ministry is a function of our labour in the Word.

— 1 Timothy 5:17

Go for discoveries! Stop hanging around the shallow waters.

— Psalm 107:23-24

When your dream has no basis in the Word of God, it's a trap of the devil.

— Lamentations 3:37

When kings lose direction, they become servants.

— Ecclesiastes 10:5-10

When you're on course with God, your enemies become helpless.

— Psalm 23:2-5

Borrowing is the ministry of the demon of greed. Cast it out before it casts you down!

— Proverbs 22:3

It is direction that gives birth to accomplishment.

— 2 Samuel 5:17-25

Spiritual labour automatically commands material blessings.

— 1 Timothy 5:17

A life void of influences is a failure, because it doesn't influence anyone.

— Proverbs 13:20

When you walk in hatred, you walk in lack, because your connection is broken!

— James 3:14-16

When you expand your knowledge, you expand your success rate.

— Proverbs 24:14

You cannot fill your life with junk and become a treasure!

— Matthew 12:33-35

If you must end your journey as a point of reference, have references.

— Hebrews 6:12

If you must end your journey as an influence, believe in influences.

— Hebrews 6:12

Borrowing is harrowing! Run from it!

— 1 Thessalonians 5:22

Ministry! You are either called into it or cursed by it!

— Hebrews 5:4

Great is your future if you know how to handle your present.

— Proverbs 22:29

If your altar lacks good news, you will lack good crowd.

— Luke 5:15

Don't be afraid of new things, it is the order of heaven.

— Lamentations 3:22

Don't fight results! Strive to get them!

— Hebrews 6:12

Nothing works because you're doing it; it works because you're doing the Word that makes it work.

— Joshua 1:8

If you set your heart right, your life will be right.

— Proverbs 4:23

The Word you operate with determines the work done.

— Hebrews 1:3

Borrowing is a weight to be avoided!

— Hebrews 12:1-2

If you're not appointed, you'll be disappointed.

— Lamentations 3:37

If you're sent by God, you'll triumph by God.

— 2 Corinthians 2:14

If you give the Word of God its place, you will not miss your place.

— Psalm 1:1-3

Don't use men, raise them!

— Matthew 4:19

If you want money, raise men.

— Luke 8:1-3

After making a discovery, you can't miss your delivery.

— Proverbs 24:14

Affect men and they will affect the work in your hand.

— Luke 8:1-3

Borrowing to do the work of God is an insult to Him.

— Luke 22:35

Borrowing is a trap of the enemy that enslaves its victim.

— Proverbs 22:7

The impact your life has on people is what is called ministry.

— Luke 8:1-3

You need self-discipline to make any progress in life.

— Proverbs 25:28

Ministry is receiving the Word from the Lord, and handing it over to the people.

— John 3:31-34

If the "Go", comes from Him, you can't be lost on the way.

— Luke 22:35

When you become a servant of men, you lose your status with God.

— 1 Corinthians 7:23

God is too big to depend on man.

— Haggai 2:8

You're a joker and a "player", except you're feeding the people with wisdom and knowledge.

— Jeremiah 3:14-15

Your Word-impact determines your welfare and level of comfort in Ministry.

— 1 Corinthians 9:13-14

Be sold-out to your calling. Until you're sold-out you won't have value.

— Ecclesiastes 9:10

God can't lift you and human beings bring you down.

— Psalm 75:6

Everytime you're lost in His service, He presents you to the world as His beloved.

— Matthew 17:5

If you sow nothing today, you'll have nothing to show tomorrow.

— Genesis 8:22

Hearing from God is the greatest asset in ministry.

— Isaiah 30:21

The riches you have is committed to your trust, it's not your own.

— 2 Corinthians 4:7

Exploits in ministry is in absolute adherence to what is commanded.

— Isaiah 1:19

Pastoring is not knowing the people, it's feeding the people.

— John 21:15-17

Look at the "Open Book", and you'll have an open life.

— James 1:25

As long as you remain a blessing, the blessings of God will remain evident in your life.

— Proverbs 11:25

Giving is a must, if you must be comfortable.

— Luke 6:38

You don't go up by chance, you go up by keeping the laws of success.

— Joshua 1:8

Miracles are not issues of chance, but the acts of obedience.

— John 2:5

You're accountable to God, yes. But must be open to men, or you lose respect.

— 1 Thessalonians 2:10

There's nothing in riches if God is not there.

— Proverbs 10:22

Any position you don't earn will lead to destruction.

— Proverbs 13:11

When your taste is higher than your means, you'll be enslaved by money!

— 1 Timothy 6:9

God knows your size, so, why try to impress anybody.

— 2 Corinthians 8:12

If the people can't trust you, they won't be stirred up to give into your ministry.

— 1 Corinthians 4:2

To be informed is to be transformed!

— Romans 12:1-2

If you're not well-informed, it's very easy for you to be confused.

— Isaiah 33:6

Not to be informed is to be deformed! Therefore seek knowledge.

— Psalm 82:5

If you can't touchMinistryIf you don't have results, you will lack rewards.

— 1 Corinthians 3:13-14

Ministry without commission equals frustration.

— Lamentations 3:37

Every God ordained ministry has a divine security on it.

— John 8:29

Those who will hear from God don't run around with men.

— 1 Thessalonians 4:11

God will only be committed to what He has commissioned.

— 1 Thessalonians 5:24

Wasteful spenders don't enjoy supernatural supplies.

— Malachi 3:10

Attempting to build a church without first building yourself up in the Word is heading for a breakdown in life and ministry.

1 Timothy 4:13-15

If you have the answer, you will have the people.

— Matthew 24:28

Failure in the Word is the principal reason for stagnation in ministry.

— Luke 17:37

When you're busy doing your job, it shows.

— Proverbs 22:29

Ministry is digging into the heart of God, to reach out to men.

— Jeremiah 3:15

You've preached your message enough, it's time to preach His message.

— Ezekiel 2:4

Traditional messages will only trap your destiny.

— Isaiah 43:18-19

Any Word you have not encountered, you're not competent to teach.

— 1 John 1:1-4

You need a baptism of fire on your tongue, that will make you a voice and not just a noise.

— Isaiah 6:6-8

It takes first sitting down with Him to be sent out by Him.

— Mark 6:7

Ministry without unction is frustration!

— Luke 24:49

No matter what you have, you still don't have motion without unction.

— Acts 10:38

If you're not a doer of the Word, you're not competent to communicate it.

— 1 Timothy 4:15-16

The anointing is the announcer of ministries.

— Luke 4:14-15

You can succeed by efforts only in any other thing, but not in ministry.

— Zechariah 4:6

It's one thing to be busy, it's another thing to be busy doing the right thing.

— Ecclesiastes 10:15

If you're a giver in ministry, you'll remain on top.

— Luke 6:38

When your ministry is a preaching one, with proofs to show, it won't lack means and provisions.

— Luke 8:1-3

If your ministry is touching men, their hands will never cease to reach you.

— Luke 8:1-3

Ministry is not industry!

— 2 Timothy 4:2

Until you have been with Him, don't go out; you'll be frustrated.

— 2 Timothy 2:15

If you can hear from heaven, the world will hear your voice.

— Luke 6:17-19

Your theology will soon begin to stink if there are no proofs.

— Acts 2:22

If you gather the multitude by music, they may eventually go after another music.

— Proverbs 13:11

Ministry has its roots in a heavenly vision, which requires a heavenly approach.

— Ezekiel 2:2-3

Stop reading to preach! Read to live.

— Matthew 11:28-29

If you walk under the unction of the Holy Spirit, you're naturally tension-free.

— John 16:13-15

Only those who make the most of their time make the most of life.

— 1 Thessalonians 4:11

Growth is not automatic, it is programmed.

— Acts 6:4,7