

Fourteen Days of Wonder

A Challenge to Experience God More



A Companion Journal to
Wonderstruck: Awaken to the Nearness of God
Book and 7-Session DVD Bible Study

by Margaret Feinberg

Dear Friend,

As followers of Jesus, we have the opportunity to live each day in wild amazement of God. If we pay attention, we can begin discovering the wonder all around us—those moments of spiritual awakening that spark our curiosity to know God more.

If the desire to encounter God's wonder has been stirred inside of you, consider picking up a copy of the *Wonderstruck Bible 7-Session DVD Bible Study* (Lifeway) as a companion to this challenge so you can more fully experience the wonder alongside others.

Here's your challenge: Live alert to the ways God answers. That means over the next two weeks, you may sense the Holy Spirit leading you to do and say things you may have passed by before. You may find God nudging you to reach out to someone you've never noticed. You may feel an urge that the person who is supposed to volunteer is you. Or you may sense the tug of the Holy Spirit to take more time diving into the Scriptures or to pray. You may begin sensing God's presence in places and experiences you never expected.

We'd love to celebrate what you're discovering. The conversation will take place on **Facebook**, **Twitter**, and **Instagram**. We're inviting you to post your experiences, your aha moments, and your photos that display what you're discovering along the way. With each post, simply use the hashtag **#LIVEWONDERSTRUCK** and look for others who are on the same journey with you.

How to use this 14 day journal:

- A different activity is provided each day to help guide you through the next two weeks.
- Be sensitive to the Holy Spirit with each activity—you may sense God nudging you to spend several days practicing and experiencing the same one.
- Find a friend who will commit to praying for wonder each day with you.
- Each night, you may find previewing the next day's activity helpful so you wake up ready and expectant to discover the wonder.
- Utilize the blank lines to jot down wondrous moments, prayers, and how God is working in and through you over the next two weeks.

My hope and prayer is that the next two weeks draw you closer to God than you've ever been before. May you not only get to know Him more, but you become awake and aware to God's presence all around.

Grateful for the opportunity to **#LIVEWONDERSTRUCK**,
Margaret

Day Three | You



Life is one of God's greatest wonders. Much of your life is spent giving, serving, and working. But today the challenge is to do something that makes you—just you—feel rejuvenated, refreshed, and brings you joy. A high-energy sports activity. A meal at your favorite bistro. An hour of knitting or enjoying your favorite craft. A coffee date with a friend. A great novel. Spend at least thirty minutes—but preferably one hour—doing something today that makes you grateful to be alive. Rediscover the abundant life awaiting you each and every day.



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Day Five | Stillness

Wonders await in the stillness. Depending on the time of year, prepare a cup of hot peppermint tea or pour a glass of sweet tea. Fill a mug with dark hot chocolate and marshmallows or open a can of Cheerwine—whatever your favorite beverage may be. Then find a quiet room, a comfortable chair, and sit still for twenty minutes. Your only movement should be nestling into the chair and occasionally sipping your beverage. Allow yourself to be fully present in the moment—aware of your hands, your feet, your spine, every aspect of your body’s position. In this place of pausing, talk to God. Tell him what’s really on your heart and mind. Share with him things you’ve been afraid to say aloud. Give yourself wholly and fully to God in prayer and experience the wonder.



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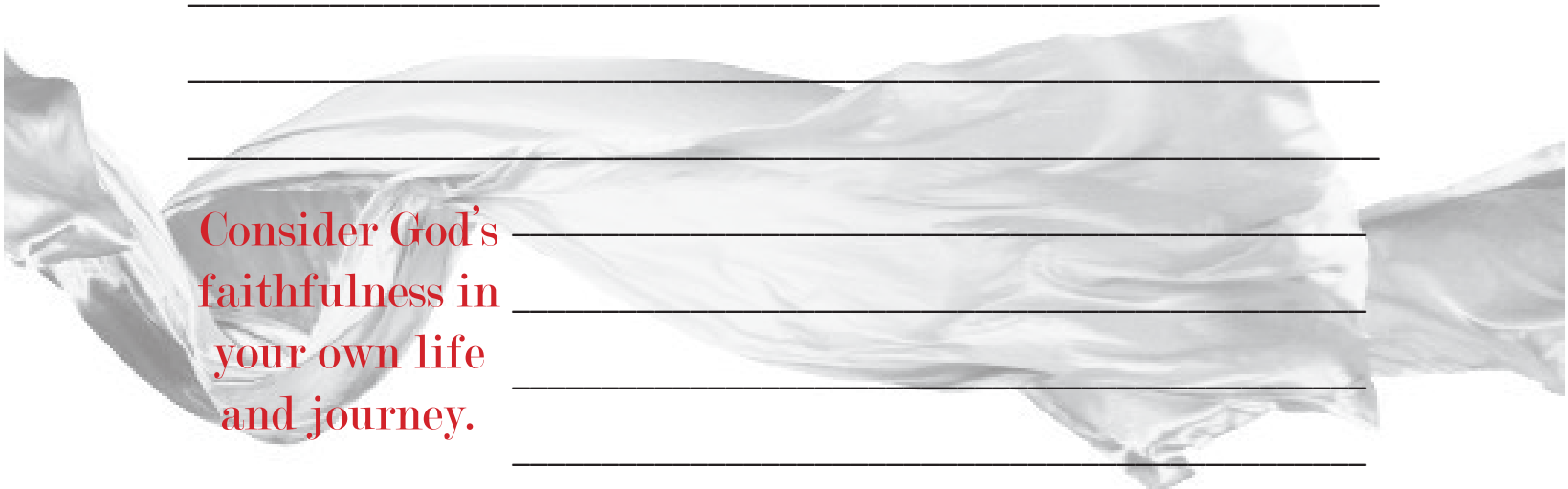
Day Seven | Beauty

Look for wonder through a camera lens throughout the day. Carry a camera or your camera-equipped cell phone to snap photos of God's beauty, grace, love, peace, and joy all around you. Share these beautiful moments of wonder with others—online or in person. Upload and use the hashtag #LIVEWONDERSTRUCK.

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Day Eleven | Sky

God's sanctuary in the sky awaits us all. Take fifteen minutes to look, really look, at all the lights in the sky—the disc that is the moon, the Milky Way, the stars, even the planes shooting across night's canopy. If there's light pollution, take note of the shadows and the textures above. As you observe the lights, those created by God and others crafted by humankind, reflect on the promise God made to Abraham thousands of years ago that his descendants would be more numerous than all the stars in the sky (Genesis 15:5). Consider God's faithfulness in your own life and journey.



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Invite Your Friends

Don't stop here. Continue to grow awake and aware to the wonder of God in the midst of ordinary life. Invite your friends to join you. Prayerfully consider leading a Bible study, Sunday school, small group, or book club through *Wonderstruck 7-Session DVD Bible Study*.

Through seven sessions filmed in the breathtaking Canadian Rockies, let's explore the wonders of God as found in Scripture. Together, may our eyes be opened to the wonder of God's presence, the wonder of friendship, the wonder of forgiveness, and so much more.

If you dip into the five nights of homework each week (20 minutes or less), you'll find out just how much God is busting at the seams to display his power, glory, and might in your life and the lives of those you love.

Through this study, you'll learn to:

- Develop a renewed passion for God
- Find extraordinary moments on ordinary days
- Discover peace in knowing you're wildly loved
- Recognize the presence of God in the midst of your routine

Wonderstruck book and accompanying DVD Bible Study invites you to toss back the covers, climb out of bed, and drink in the fullness of life. Don't wait another day to #LIVEWONDERSTRUCK by God.

The Wonderstruck 7-Session Bible Study Kit includes:



- 1 *Wonderstruck* workbook
- 1 *Wonderstruck* book
- 1 set of 7-session DVDs

To learn more and purchase the *Wonderstruck 7-Session DVD Bible Study Kit*, click here or visit MargaretFeinberg.com/Wonderstruck.

Take An Adventure

The Bible is full of clever plots and compelling stories, laced with historic insights and literary beauty. Despite its richness and depth, many of us struggle to close the gap between the ancient world and our own.

Maybe you've asked these questions, too: What does it mean to know that Jesus is the Good Shepherd when the only place you've encountered sheep is at a petting zoo? How can you understand the promise of a land flowing with honey when you buy yours in a bear-shaped bottle? Can you grasp the urgency of Jesus' invitation to abide in the vine when you shop for grapes at a local grocery store?

Join me on the spiritual adventure of a lifetime in this 6-session DVD Bible study. As we walk through fields and farms on the DVD and work through an hour of homework each week, we'll explore how ancient livelihoods illuminate meaningful Christian truths that apply to life today.

Follow along as we spend time with a grape-grower, shepherdess, beekeeper, and farmer who each bring fresh insights to familiar Scripture and leave you in awe of God's Word.

For an added bonus, pick up the *Scouting the Divine Book and Workbook Combination Special* to dive even deeper into the agrarian world of the Bible.



This Scouting the Divine 6-Session Study Kit includes:

- Downloadable audio interviews with the shepherdess, farmer, and vintner
- Downloadable poster
- Downloadable leader's guide
- 6-session DVD
- 1 *Scouting the Divine* workbook
- 1 *Scouting the Divine* book

To learn more and purchase the *Scouting the Divine* 6-Session DVD Bible Study Kit, [click here](http://MargaretFeinbergStore.com) or visit MargaretFeinbergStore.com.

Meet Margaret

Margaret Feinberg is a popular Bible teacher and speaker at churches and leading conferences such as Catalyst, Thrive and Extraordinary Women. Her books and Bible studies have sold over 600,000 copies and received critical acclaim and extensive national media coverage from CNN, the Associated Press, USA Today, Los Angeles Times, Washington Post, and more.

She was recently named one of 50 women most shaping culture and the church by Christianity Today, one of the 30 Voices who will help lead the church in the next decade by Charisma magazine and one of the '40 Under 40' who will shape Christian publishing by Christian Retailing magazine. Margaret lives in Morrison, Colorado, with her husband, Leif and their superpup, Hershey.



Now that you've read the official bio, here's the kick off your shoes and drink iced tea on the back porch version:

Margaret spends most mornings with her good friends Coffee and God. Without Coffee, mornings would be difficult. Without God, life would be impossible.

You'll often find Margaret (puppy-in-tow) adventuring outdoors—she enjoys hiking, river rafting, and scanning the night sky for the Northern Lights and shooting stars.

She boasts an exceptionally dry sense of humor that she attributes to her Jewish father. Little known secret: He was recently inducted into the Surfer's Hall of Fame, and her mom earned her captain's license for 60-ton ships. They're pretty amazing. You'd like them.

Married to Leif for almost a decade, Margaret's known for losing things like her sunglasses on her head, keys in her hand, or her phone for the 12th time in the same day. Luckily, Hershey hasn't been left anywhere... yet.

For being a writer, friends say she has a surprisingly narrow vocabulary and uses a lot of the same phrases including, "I'm game," "Whahhoo!" and "Oooh! Let's do it."

Always up for an adventure, Margaret is known to drive 50 miles to chase down a food truck and snag Groupons for skydiving on a whim. She prefers watching comedies and laughing until her tummy aches over doing sit ups.

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