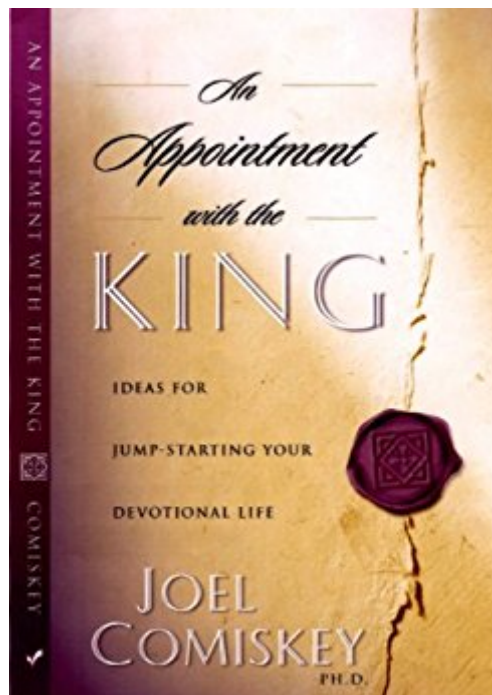




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# An Appointment With The King: Ideas For Jump-starting Your Devotional Life



## Synopsis

With full calendars and long lists of things to do, people often put on hold life's most important goal--building an intimate relationship with God. Often, believers wish to pursue the goal but are not sure how to do it. They feel frustrated or guilty when their attempts at personal devotions seem empty and unfruitful. With warm, encouraging writing, Joel Comiskey guides readers on how to set a daily appointment with the King and make it an exciting time they will look forward to. This book first answers the question 'Where do I start?' with step-by-step instructions on how to spend time with God and practical ideas for experiencing him more fully. Second, it highlights the benefits of spending time with God, including joy, victory over sin, and spiritual guidance. Third, this book inspires and motivates those who already have a quiet time to press ahead and grow in their intimacy with God. An Appointment with the King discusses personal priorities, the use of Scripture, listening, place and time of day, meditation, increased power in prayer, and other helpful topics related to daily quiet time. The book will help Christians tap into God's resources on a daily basis, so that even in the midst of busyness they can walk with him in intimacy and abundance. This book will teach you how to spend quality time with God each day, refreshing your soul and preparing you for the day ahead. Each chapter will provide practical suggestions on how to experience God more fully in your quiet time. The goal is to help you understand the whys and hows of spending time with God.

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## Customer Reviews

I purchased this book years ago and read it all the way through in no time... I still own my copy from years ago, and it is still an awesome book. I came back across my copy when I started thinking about devotional life, this book came back to memory because of the effect it had on my life when I read it through the first time. I decided to come on to see what others had to say and am shocked to see only four reviews. I knew that I had to put in my input. I came across this book, when I started out in my early walk with Christ. I was looking for something to help me and show me how to make time with the Lord. I had so much going on and intended to set aside time to pray daily, but would fall short every time. Then this book *An Appointment with the King: Ideas For Jump Starting Your Devotional Life* crossed my eyes. I grabbed it, purchased it, and took the book home and could not put it down. Now I have an appointment with my Lord on a daily basis, as this book helped me to get on track. Why am I reading it again, because it was that good, and because I have had events happen in my life that have gotten me off track and need the reminders. So I say to you, get this awesome read, you will not be disappointed. I still own my copy and do not plan on letting it go, because I want to reread this awesome read from time to time and I want to share this book with family, friends, and our children. An awesome read! Why should you set aside time, get the book and let the book tell you. Confessions? get the book. Awesome, you won't be disappointed!

I was looking for a book to use with new believers to help guide them in developing a daily quiet time. I came across *"An Appointment with the King: Ideas for Jump-Starting Your Devotional Life"* and decided to see if it would work. I must say that I was pretty pleased with this book. The author, Joel Comisky, is a Christian and Missionary Alliance minister. He has served as a missionary in Ecuador with the C&MA. He also has traveled to worship in Korea. His international experiences add a wonderful flavor to this book. It is always a wonderful experience to read books that bring intercultural insights to their subject. The book is comprised of 18 fairly short chapters. They are presented in two parts. The first is "Practical Steps Toward a Daily Quiet Time." The second is "The Disciplines of a Quiet Time." In the first section, the author clearly explains what a quiet time is. He

also addresses most of the reasons people give for not having a quiet time. This is an excellent section. The second section addresses more detailed aspects of practices that can be included in one's quiet time (Bible reading, prayer, meditation, and even fasting and journaling). All in all, both sections are very helpful. I did have one concern with the book. The chapter on worship has a paragraph about speaking in tongues in one's quiet time. What the author says is biblically accurate, but I wish he had given a little more space to this topic. It would be unfortunate for a new believer to misunderstand the author's point on tongues based on such a small statement on the use of this spiritual gift in one's quiet time. The author does not state that speaking in tongues is for everyone, but his statement could be misconstrued to that misunderstanding. Unfortunately, this book went out of print while I was previewing it. I do believe this book would be helpful for use in a small group setting with new believers. Each chapter has a few questions for personal and group use. I hope this one will come back into print. Any concerns about the gift of tongues can be addressed in the small group setting. I think this book would be beneficial to any Christian who is struggling with a time of daily devotion.

It is a good way to view Quiet Times with God. Though I wish there were emphasis on small steps and or gradual steps to getting to a higher and deeper quiet times. It seems that some of the chapters are overwhelming and not easily relatable, thus making you feel that attaining a deeper quiet time with God is a long arduous journey. A good book other wise specially for those that can truly relate or are in their stage in their spiritual life that is close to what the author's stage in life is. There are however a lot of good points to pull out.

This is the book I use to warm up before reading the Bible in the mornings. It's definitely a jump-starter, and some. It's practical- easy to read and apply, with good biblical and personal examples. Theologically, it's very sound. Joel motivates you to get into God's Word daily by showing you how critical, and vital it is for one's daily survival and all-round success. Highly recommend it. I own 2 copies and buying a 3rd one for my wife. It's a shame that it's out of print!! Hopefully, God will bring it back! God will bless as you study and do His Word. Joshua 1:8, Hebrews 4:12, James 1:25.

Appointment with the King is a great book. My wife, Vicki, said its like Richard Foster's Celebration of Discipline but easier and more practical. My small group really liked it. I have also given away a few copies. One of the other small group leaders at our church read the book and said it was more helpful than the Prayer of Jabez. Her husband pitched in and said "she has highlighted almost the

entire book"! I highly recommend it if you want practical help in your time with God.

This is Joel's best book. I really enjoyed it. This book has a much more personal feel to it. I can really relate to it because of all the personal examples. I liked it so much that I gave it to a couple of friends who need God in their lives. I heartily recommend this book.

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