

FRAME DEVOTIONAL SERIES

Introduction to the Series

How to Read, Use, and Teach This Series

THE ANIMATING CONVICTION

"Your worldview is the FRAME through which you see all of life."

Foundational → Relational → Aspirational → Managerial → Eternal

What's Real? → Who Am I? → How Should I Live? → How Do I Engage? → Where Am I Going?

Synthesized from: Summit Ministries Worldview Framework | NEW LIFE Gospel Framework | Revival 2026 Devotional | Bible Study Fellowship (Daniel & Esther) | Christianity & Western Civilization

What Is This Series?

The FRAME Devotional Series is a sequence of eight devotional reflections designed to help believers develop a coherent, integrated, biblical worldview — and then live it. It is not a theology textbook, a cultural commentary, or a self-help program. It is an invitation to see all of life through the lens of Scripture: systematically, personally, and with the kind of honest self-examination that genuine formation requires.

FRAME is an acronym representing five progressive dimensions of a biblical worldview: Foundational, Relational, Aspirational, Managerial, and Eternal. These five dimensions organize the thirteen worldview categories identified by Summit Ministries into a coherent architecture that reasons top-down — from ultimate reality to eternal destiny. Each dimension builds on the previous, creating an integrated structure for Christian thought and life.

The series draws from four source streams, each of which contributes a distinct layer to the framework:

- **Summit Ministries Worldview Framework:** provides the thirteen worldview categories and the comparative analysis of competing worldviews — Biblical Theism, Islam, Hinduism, Marxism, Secularism, New Spirituality, and Postmodernism.
- **NEW LIFE Gospel Framework:** provides the gospel architecture that maps directly onto the FRAME dimensions, demonstrating that salvation itself is a worldview event — not merely a spiritual transaction but a total reorientation of the person from foundation to eternal horizon.

- **Revival 2026 Devotional:** provides the revival progression — six weeks of urgency, repentance, prayer, evangelism, generational transmission, and sustained movement — that the FRAME dimensions map onto at every stage.
- **Bible Study Fellowship — Daniel and Esther:** provides the primary biographical case study. Daniel is the gold standard for an integrated biblical worldview lived out over seventy-plus years in a hostile, totalizing culture. Every devotional returns to Daniel as the living illustration of the dimension under examination.

These four streams are not four separate agendas brought into artificial harmony. They converge on a single conviction: that the God who is sovereign over kingdoms, who initiates salvation, who calls His people to revival, and who sustained Daniel in Babylon is the same God who provides, in Scripture, a coherent framework for seeing and engaging all of life. The FRAME is not a system imposed on that conviction. It is the architecture the conviction produces.

The FRAME Framework

The Flow of FRAME

The FRAME reasons top-down, from the most foundational questions of existence to the most ultimate. Each dimension provides the grounding on which the next depends:

THE FRAME PROGRESSION

Foundational → Relational → Aspirational → Managerial → Eternal "What's Real?" → "Who Am I?" → "How Should I Live?" → "How Do I Engage?" → "Where Am I Going?"

Remove any dimension and the architecture weakens. The Relational dimension (human identity) collapses without the Foundational (who God is). The Aspirational dimension (purpose and morality) becomes self-referential without the Relational (who we are as image-bearers). The Managerial dimension (faithful engagement with the world) loses its compass without the Aspirational (the purpose that governs engagement). And all four dimensions lose their ultimate weight without the Eternal — the horizon that gives every temporal decision its significance.

FRAME at a Glance

Dimension	Guiding Question	Summit Categories	Core Biblical Answer
F — FOUNDATIONAL	<i>What is ultimately real and true?</i>	God, Truth, Reality	Personal, triune Creator God; objective truth revealed by God; physical and spiritual reality.
R — RELATIONAL	<i>Who am I in relation to others?</i>	Humanity, Gender & Sexuality, Family	Made in God's image with dignity; binary gender by design; family divinely ordained.
A — ASPIRATIONAL	<i>Why am I here and how should I live?</i>	Purpose of Life, Morality, Ethics	Glorify God and know Him through Christ; absolute morality from God's character; ethics from God's commands.
M — MANAGERIAL	<i>How do I engage and steward the world?</i>	Science, Politics, Economics	Science and faith compatible; limited government; responsible stewardship of resources.
E — ETERNAL	<i>Where am I going?</i>	Afterlife	Heaven or Hell based on relationship with Christ; human destiny is eternal.

The Series at a Glance

The eight devotionals are organized in two gateway devotionals followed by one devotional per FRAME dimension and a final synthesis:

#	Title	Focus	Anchor Verse
1	Seeing Through Glass <i>The WHY — Why Your Worldview Matters</i>	The WHY — Why Your Worldview Matters	<i>Romans 12:2</i>
2	The Architecture of Everything <i>The WHAT — Five Dimensions of the FRAME</i>	The WHAT — Five Dimensions of the FRAME	<i>Colossians 1:16</i>
3	The Foundation Holds <i>F — FOUNDATIONAL: God, Truth, Reality</i>	F — FOUNDATIONAL: God, Truth, Reality	<i>Genesis 1:1</i>
4	Identity Received <i>R — RELATIONAL: Humanity, Gender, Family</i>	R — RELATIONAL: Humanity, Gender, Family	<i>Genesis 1:27</i>
5	Made for More <i>A — ASPIRATIONAL: Purpose, Morality, Ethics</i>	A — ASPIRATIONAL: Purpose, Morality, Ethics	<i>John 15:8</i>
6	Faithful in Babylon <i>M — MANAGERIAL: Science, Politics, Economics</i>	M — MANAGERIAL: Science, Politics, Economics	<i>Colossians 3:23</i>
7	The Horizon That Changes Everything <i>E — ETERNAL: Afterlife and Ultimate Destiny</i>	E — ETERNAL: Afterlife and Ultimate Destiny	<i>Daniel 12:2</i>
8	Daniel's Integrated Life <i>SYNTHESIS — FRAME as a Whole</i>	SYNTHESIS — FRAME as a Whole	<i>Philippians 1:6</i>

Devotionals 1 and 2 function as a gateway pair — establishing the WHY (why a biblical worldview matters at all) and the WHAT (what the five dimensions of FRAME actually include) before the series moves into the depths of each dimension. Devotionals 3 through 7 develop each FRAME dimension in full. Devotional 8 synthesizes all five dimensions through Daniel's biography and provides the FRAME as a permanent diagnostic tool for ongoing use.

How Each Devotional Is Structured

Every devotional in the series follows an identical eight-section architecture. The consistency is intentional: it trains the reader in a pattern of biblical reflection that can be applied to any text, any issue, or any cultural question over time. The sections are not a formula — they are a practiced discipline.

Section Heading	Purpose
The Awakening	Sets the devotional's central tension or convergence — the moment where Scripture, lived experience, and cultural reality collide to surface the question this dimension of FRAME must answer.
The Foundational Text	Anchors the devotional in one or two key passages that bear the full weight of the dimension being explored, presented with brief orienting commentary before the deeper examination begins.
What the Text Reveals	Unpacks the theological content of the foundational text through the lens of the specific FRAME dimension, addressing each of the dimension's three sub-categories in depth. (Contains sub-headings for each sub-category.)
The Biblical Architecture	Situates the dimension within the larger biblical narrative — primarily through Daniel — and shows how it connects to the historical contribution of Christianity and the distinctiveness of Biblical Theism against competing worldviews.
Connections to the Revival Journey	Maps the FRAME dimension to each week of the Revival 2026 curriculum, showing how the dimension is not theoretical but actively operational in the revival progression.
The Question That Matters Most	Delivers the devotional's diagnostic challenge — a single reflection question (in a gold callout box) followed by specific sub-questions that move the reader from intellectual engagement to honest personal examination.
A Prayer from the Awakening	Closes the devotional's reflective movement with a directed prayer that synthesizes the dimension's convictions into confession, petition, and renewed commitment.
Scripture Treasury	Provides a categorized reference collection of key passages organized by the dimension's sub-themes, designed for ongoing meditation and further study beyond the devotional itself. (Contains sub-headings by theme.)

Within the fixed eight-section architecture, the sub-headings under 'What the Text Reveals' and 'The Biblical Architecture' vary by dimension, corresponding to the Summit Ministries sub-categories specific to each FRAME dimension. The Scripture Treasury section uses sub-headings to organize passages by theme, typically three to five thematic groups per devotional.

Devotional 8 (Synthesis) adds one structural element not present in the others: a second instance of the FRAME synthesis table at the close of the document, functioning as a permanent reference tool for use beyond the series.

How to Use This Series

For Personal Study

Each devotional is designed to be read in a single sitting of approximately twenty to thirty minutes, followed by time in the Scripture Treasury for additional meditation. The diagnostic questions in 'The Question That Matters Most' section are not rhetorical — they are intended to be answered honestly, ideally in a journal. The prayer that closes each devotional is written to be prayed, not merely read.

The recommended personal study rhythm is one devotional per week across eight weeks, allowing time between devotionals for the Scripture Treasury passages to be meditated upon and for the diagnostic questions to be genuinely processed. The series is not designed to be consumed rapidly; it is designed to form slowly.

For Group Study

Each devotional maps naturally to a group discussion format. The recommended structure for a group session is:

- **Opening (5 min):** Read the anchor verse aloud together. Briefly review the previous devotional's key conviction.
- **Reading (10 min):** Participants read 'The Awakening' and 'The Foundational Text' sections aloud or individually before the session.
- **Discussion — What the Text Reveals (20 min):** Work through the H2 sub-headings with discussion questions drawn from the text. The sub-headings correspond to the Summit Ministries categories for the dimension.
- **Discussion — The Question That Matters Most (15 min):** Use the diagnostic sub-questions for honest group reflection. These often surface the most significant personal engagement of the session.
- **Closing (10 min):** Pray together using 'A Prayer from the Awakening' as a guide. Assign the Scripture Treasury passages for the coming week.

For Teaching

The FRAME Devotional Series is designed to support a structured teaching series in a church, small group, or educational setting. Each devotional corresponds to a standalone teaching session of forty-five to sixty minutes. The FRAME at a Glance table (in this Introduction and in Devotional 2) and the Synthesis table (in Devotional 8) can be printed as reference tools for participants to use throughout the series and beyond.

The worldview comparison material in 'The Biblical Architecture' section of each devotional — particularly the sub-sections on the uniqueness of Biblical Theism against competing worldviews — provides the content for apologetics-oriented teaching applications. Each devotional names the specific ways that Secularism, Marxism, Hinduism, Islam, New Spirituality, and Postmodernism answer the same dimension's questions, equipping participants not only to understand the biblical position but to articulate why it is distinct.

For teachers using this series alongside the BSF Daniel study: the Daniel cross-references in each devotional are organized to align with the BSF study schedule. Every major passage in Daniel is referenced at least once across the eight devotionals, with particular emphasis on Daniel 1, 2, 6, 9, 10, and 12.

For Evangelism and Outreach

The FRAME methodology is designed not only for the formation of believers but for the engagement of those who do not yet hold a biblical worldview. The worldview comparison sections of each devotional — particularly Devotionals 3 through 7 — provide accessible, respectful, non-polemical descriptions of how competing worldviews answer the same foundational questions. These sections can serve as starting points for gospel conversations with people who hold Secular, Marxist, Hindu, Islamic, or Postmodern worldview commitments.

The diagnostic questions in each devotional can also be used as conversation starters with non-believers. Questions like 'What is ultimately real and true?' (Foundational), 'Is your sense of identity more shaped by what you believe or by what the culture offers?' (Relational), and 'Is eternity real enough to you that it changes how you live today?' (Eternal) are questions every human being carries, whether or not they have a biblical framework for answering them.

Daniel: The Series' Gold Standard

Daniel appears in every devotional not as a repeated illustration but as a sustained case study — the most complete and coherent example of an integrated biblical worldview lived out across a lifetime of extraordinary pressure and opportunity. His biography runs from approximately 605 BC, when he was taken captive to Babylon as a young man, to at least 536 BC — more than sixty-nine years of faithful engagement with one of history's most aggressively totalizing cultures.

The FRAME dimensions are not abstractions in Daniel's life. They are observable, documented, and verified — even by his enemies. His Foundational conviction about God's sovereignty never shifted. His Relational identity was received from God and held against Babylon's systematic effort to replace it. His Aspirational purpose was so consistently expressed that opponents with strong motivation to find fault could find none. His Managerial excellence made him indispensable to multiple imperial administrations while his integrity remained intact. His Eternal perspective — confirmed by the visions of Daniel 7 through 12 and sealed by the resurrection promise of Daniel 12:13 — made temporal loss an acceptable cost for eternal gain.

"They could find no grounds for charges against Daniel, because he was trustworthy and neither corrupt nor negligent." — Daniel 6:4

This is the standard the FRAME holds before the reader. Not perfection — Daniel was not sinless. Not comfort — Daniel spent at least one night in a lions' den. Not cultural success — Daniel was a captive in a foreign empire. But integrity. Integration. A worldview so fully inhabited that it became the automatic operating system of a life — producing, over time, the kind of person whose enemies must manufacture a charge because they genuinely cannot find fault.

The Goal of This Series

The goal is not worldview literacy. It is worldview formation.

There is an important distinction between knowing a worldview and living one. The FRAME can be understood intellectually — its five dimensions memorized, its key scriptures cited, its comparative analysis of competing worldviews rehearsed — without a single dimension of life actually changing. Worldview formation is different. It is the slow, deliberate, prayer-saturated, community-sustained process of inhabiting the biblical architecture so completely that it becomes the natural lens through which all of life is seen, evaluated, and engaged.

Daniel did not consult a worldview chart before deciding whether to keep praying when the decree was posted. He continued as he had always done — because the FRAME was not a system he applied. It was the shape of who he had become. That kind of formation takes time, community, prayer, and the willingness to be examined by Scripture rather than merely informed by it.

Every section of every devotional in this series is oriented toward that formation. The Awakening identifies the tension. The Foundational Text grounds the reflection in Scripture. What the Text Reveals unpacks the content. The Biblical Architecture situates it in the larger narrative. The Revival Journey Connections demonstrate its practical urgency. The Question That Matters Most turns the content inward. The Prayer translates conviction into surrender. And the Scripture Treasury provides the ongoing nourishment that formation requires.

The FRAME is not the destination. The God who stands behind the FRAME is. The framework exists to help His people see Him more clearly in every dimension of the life He has given them — and to live, in every dimension of that life, in a way that makes Him visible to a world that desperately needs to encounter Him.

THE INVITATION

"Your worldview is the FRAME through which you see all of life. The question is whether your FRAME is built on the truth God has revealed — or assembled from the assumptions the culture provides."

Begin with Devotional 1.

Seeing Through Glass — The Why for a Worldview

The Overarching Scripture Foundation

The following passages form the theological bedrock on which the entire FRAME series rests. They are referenced across multiple devotionals and function as the permanent frame of reference for the series as a whole:

The Authority and Mission of Christ — Matthew 28:18–20

"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." — Matthew 28:18–20

The Greatest Commandment — Matthew 22:36–40

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself. All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments." — Matthew 22:37–40

The Christ Who Holds All Things Together — Colossians 1:16–17

"For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together." — Colossians 1:16–17

The Call to Worldview Renewal — Romans 12:2

"Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is — his good, pleasing and perfect will." — Romans 12:2

The Promise That Grounds the Journey — Philippians 1:6

"Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus." — Philippians 1:6

The Gospel That Frames Everything — John 3:16–17

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him." — John 3:16–17

The Daniel Standard — Daniel 6:4

"They could find no grounds for charges against Daniel, because he was trustworthy and neither corrupt nor negligent." — Daniel 6:4

The Eternal Horizon — Daniel 12:13

"As for you, go your way till the end. You will rest, and then at the end of the days you will rise to receive your allotted inheritance." — Daniel 12:13