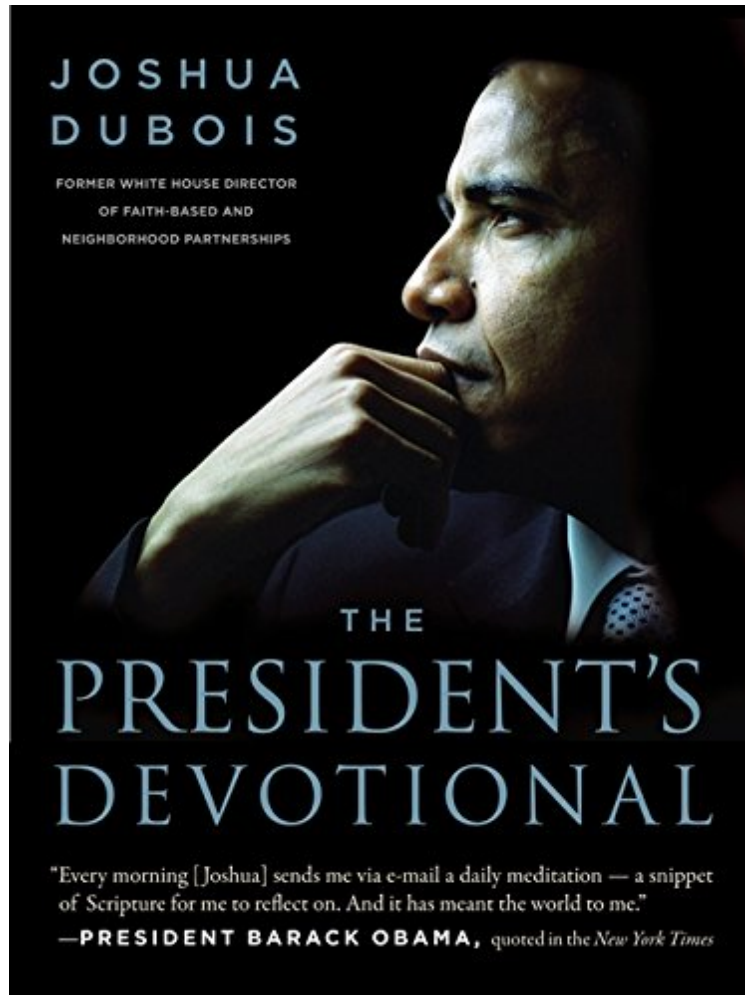


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The President's Devotional lets you start each day with the words that have inspired President Barack Obama, collected by Joshua DuBois, President Obama's "Pastor-in-Chief" (Time magazine) his spiritual advisor who also served as the executive director of the White House Office of Faith-based and Neighborhood Partnerships. Every day, DuBois provided President Obama with a morning devotional weaving together scripture, song, prayer, and reflections, motivated by the spirit of God and infused with joyful flair. The Presidents Devotional contains the best of these devotionals, daily spiritual guidance that offer peace, comfort, and inspiration throughout the entire year.

From Booklist In 2008, DuBois was working as the religious outreach director for Barack Obama's presidential campaign. He prayed for the senator regularly but one day felt called upon to send him a piece of uplifting scripture. Nervously, he waited to see if he had overstepped. Instead, the soon-to-be-president asked for more. Five thousand or so messages later, DuBois received the president's permission to select the best and compile them. The resulting book provides 365 daily lessons containing spiritual and moral guidance appropriate for both gifted world leaders and ordinary people. In it, DuBois, a Newsweek columnist and former executive director of the White House Office of Faith-based and Neighborhood Partnerships, combines Bible passages, personal stories, and quotations from artists and a wide array of thinkers, from Anas Nin and John Wayne to Maya Angelou and Martin Luther King Jr. DuBois' writings convey such universal wisdom as choosing words carefully, appreciating the moment, generating peace and love regardless of personal circumstance, and avoiding temptation. This special collection is best savored one day at a time. --Susan DeGrane Its absolutely essential all leaders receive daily direction, spiritual guidance, and soul-nourishing input from God's Word. Having served at the center of American government, Joshua understands better than many how draining leadership can be, and how we must refresh ourselves daily through time with God, thinking about eternal truths. (Rick Warren, author of *The Purpose Driven Life*) Every morning [Joshua] sends me via e-mail a daily meditation. A snippet of Scripture for me to reflect on, and it has meant the world to me. (President Barack Obama, quoted in the *New York Times*) With this book, Joshua DuBois reveals the private strength behind the public story, the pursuit of God from the highest office. These words, drawn from ancient texts and trusted leaders, distill rare, urgent counsel during an age when we've never needed wisdom more. (Stephan Bauman, President CEO, World Relief) Where does the President look for wisdom? My friend Joshua DuBois provided President Obama a daily dose of Old and New Testament wisdom. With *The President's Devotional*, the rest of us have access to the devotions and meditations Joshua supplied to the President. What a treasure! (Andy Stanley, founder and pastor of North Point Ministries) This beautiful book of devotionals encourages us to take time for prayer and reflection. We faithfully read it every day, we drink in the text, and it quenches our thirst. This devotional strengthens and inspires us, and most importantly reminds us to trust God in every area of our lives. (Mark Burnett and Roma Downey, executive producers of *The Bible*) Whatever else history records of Obama's years in the White House, it must include that this president was offered a type of spiritual nurture unique among America's chief executives: customized devotionals delivered daily. Thanks to DuBois, we too can be instructed and inspired by words intended to sustain a president. (Stephen Mansfield, *New York Times* bestselling author) No matter how busy and stressed you are; you're not busier or more stressed than the President, who read these devotionals in some of the highest pressure days of his life. We can all learn from this book how to encourage and bless the leaders around us with wisdom and grace. (Russell D. Moore, Ph.D. President, Ethics Religious Liberty Commission, Southern Baptist Convention) When Joshua DuBois opens his mouth, grace falls out. If you want to be challenged, encouraged, and inspired in your faith, look no further. *The President's Devotional* is a must-read book of spiritual reflections from one of America's most influential Christian leaders. (Jonathan Merritt, senior columnist for Religion News Service and author of *Jesus is Better Than You Imagined*) Joshua is one of those refreshing and practical people who has provided Biblical truth and hope to people ranging from the Big O. to those cleaning tables. Inspire the leader within you with Biblical and timely insights DuBois has learned from his personal relationship with the greatest Leader of all. (Justin Mayo, Executive Director, RedEyeInc.org) These devotions provide insight into things that have been significant encouragement for persons who are faced everyday with critical decisions. They prove valuable to each of us as we face the challenges of leadership in the fulfillment of our responsibilities to and for those God has placed in our care. (Michael A. Battle Sr., Former President of the Interdenominational Theological Center (ITC)) For years I have watched DuBois faithfully organize both Scriptures and prayers to strengthen the President in mind and spirit. Joshua has been the President's go-to bridge

to spiritual leaders, to Biblical wisdom, and to faith. Now he can be our bridge, too. (Joel Hunter, Senior Pastor, Northland: A Church Distributed) Nothing uplifts American citizens more than knowing that our President is daily seeking the spiritual strength leadership demands. Joshua DuBois understood the centering power of feasting on the inspired word and wisdom of God. We will all be blessed immeasurably as we journey through this amazing collection of presidential devotionals. (Dr. Barbara Williams-Skinner, Co-Chair, National African American Clergy Network and President, Skinner Leadership Institute) DuBois's devotions draw the reader closer to the heart of God and help us to see things God's way before the world begins to knock on the door of our hearts. These prophetic and powerful pathways into the heart of God will prepare you to meet whatever the day brings. (Bishop Vashti Murphy McKenzie, Presiding Prelate, 10th Episcopal District, African Methodist Episcopal Church) Joshua DuBois's daily devotions for President Obama are filled with pastoral insights that can help guide the rest of us to make good choices as we work for change in our own spheres of influence. (David Neff, former editor in chief, Christianity Today) A daily spiritual oasis to help driven leaders catch their breath and reset their compass. Joshua's selection is comforting and challenging in good proportion. The devotionals provide, from within the Christian tradition, both the wide perspective and the moment for personal centering necessary to stay oriented on the leadership journey. (Sharon E. Watkins, General Minister and President, Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)) So many believers seek scriptural, experienced guidance on how to navigate the tensions and challenges of living a public life aligned with their personal faith. The Presidents Devotional is a uniquely valuable resource to help every person live a life that glorifies Christ and serves their neighbor. (Mark Batterson, Pastor, National Community Church and New York Times bestselling author of The Circle Maker) A surprisingly intimate journey to soul, lifted by the poetry, passion, and prayer that Joshua shared with the President. Insisting on Christ as his North Star in the midst of personal loss and national turmoil, Joshua reveals a grace, courage, and humility that make this book an essential compass. (Kevin Ryan, President and CEO, Covenant House International) As we face mighty leadership challenges, we need a strong connection to our Almighty God. Every morning, Joshua had the privilege of sharing a daily devotional with our nation's leader. And now we have the privilege to learn from the same wisdom and insight that Joshua brought to the president. (Bobby Gruenewald, Innovation Leader, LifeChurch.tv and Founder, YouVersion: The Bible App) Now all of us, including leaders in government, business, the nonprofit sector, and other fields, can join President Obama in benefiting from the great young reverend's spiritual insights. This book is a special treat for the mind, a treasure for the spirit, and a daily tonic for the soul. (John DiIulio, Frederic Fox Leadership Professor of Politics, Religion, and Civil Society, University of Pennsylvania) As leaders we know how important it is to be spiritually centered on a daily basis. Joshua DuBois imparts life-giving reflections that help provide biblical guidance and insights to nourish our souls. Not only am I using this resource, I will be encouraging others to use it daily. (Dr. Geoff Tunnicliffe, CEO and Secretary General, World Evangelical Alliance) This book provides a tremendous spiritual resource that will deepen their walk, as well as a set of powerful lessons in high-stakes leadership. It will help all who are charging hard and intent on making a difference to stay grounded while accomplishing big things. I highly recommend it. (Brad Lomenick, President and Key Visionary, Catalyst, and author of The Catalyst Leader) Joshua DuBois provides daily reflections, proven in the highest corridors of earthly power, that stand poised to inspire, inform, and impart the truth that God's mercies arrive new every morning. This devotion is a must read for every leader in our land. (Rev. Samuel Rodriguez, President, National Hispanic Christian Leadership Conference the Hispanic Evangelical Association) Most of us work to educate our Minds. Some of us exercise our Bodies. Not all of us develop our Spirit. That is why I'm so impressed with Joshua DuBois's book. The Presidents Devotional is a concise daily educational exercise in Spiritual Formation. (Rich Wilkerson, Senior Pastor, Trinity Church) Joshua DuBois has been consistent in his encouragement—from the president to new friends—to spending time in prayer, meditating on the Word. All of us can use that type of encouragement. (Peb Jackson, author of A Dangerous Faith) The administration's go-to guy for almost all things religious. (Christianity Today) Obama has often mentioned the inspiration he finds in DuBois's daily Scripture e-mails, making the faith-based office director an informal spiritual adviser to the president. (Washington Post) [DuBois has] earned the respect of many who work at the intersection of faith and politics. (Huffington Post) 365 daily lessons containing spiritual and moral guidance appropriate for both gifted world leaders and ordinary people best savored one day at a time. (Booklist) One of the most rewarding reads of The Presidents Devotional comes at the beginning of each month when DuBois offers memories of specific moments during his time at the White House. These devotionals make clear DuBois has been the president's most consistent spiritual advisor—a role he takes seriously. (Paul Brandeis Raushenbush, Huffington Post) The religious practice of President Obama is in the spotlight thanks to a new book about his prayer life by his former staff member Joshua DuBois. In The Presidents Devotional, DuBois compiles the prayers and bits of Scripture and inspiration that he has been emailing the president every morning. (USA Today) Churchgoers across the nation are snapping up Joshua DuBois's new book, The Presidents Devotional in which he details 365 of the most compelling inspirational messages he sent daily to President Barack Obama over a six-year period. (Chicago Sun-Times) This is not your usual book on spirituality. . . . The essays add a note of grace and humility. It is inspiring to know even people in high-powered roles still return to their faith to gain the courage to make critical decisions. (Seattle Post-Intelligencer) A special book, with the thread of spirituality drawing the reader in, the author shares

insight into many of the trying times and difficult events in Obamas first administration. . . . This will be a sensational gift book for special holidays. (Seattle Post-Intelligencer)From the Back CoverIn the heat of Barack Obama's first presidential campaign, staff member Joshua DuBois recognized the wear and tear on his boss and asked the senator if he could e-mail a devotional to him each day. When Obama responded positively, DuBois prepared a short e-mail for the future president to read first thing every morning, short snippets of scripture, inspirational stories, quotes, and prayers to provide counsel, encouragement, and inspiration, which the president himself has stated "meant the world" to him. Through his years of working closely with the president, DuBois learned many life-changing lessons as well as gained an inside view on the faith and values of President Obama. DuBois now provides 365 of the best readings and prayers he sent the president; in addition, each month DuBois offers a longer meditation on the spiritual lessons he learned by accompanying the president as he faced many historic moments and challenges: two elections, meeting Billy Graham, the Sandy Hook shootings, and more. By spending time each day with The President's Devotional, we are reminded what is most important in life, that we are not alone in our efforts, and what our true mission is in the world.