



Welcome to Lose 20!

I once believed I would be "forever fat." I was a busy wife, mom, and ministry leader who felt tired, depressed, and discouraged-emotionally, physically, and spiritually drained.

That's not me anymore!

I've been on a journey toward healing my body with God as my lead. It's a journey led by grace, not guilt. A path marked by real food, real faith, and real change.

This LOSE 20 workbook with tips, recipes, and resources is an invitation for you to begin (or re-begin) your journey too.

Whether you're here to lose weight, restore energy, or simply feel more like you again—you're in the right place.

Take a deep breath. You are not alone. And God is still making something beautiful.

This is not about perfection—just take one small, faithful step at a time. Let's walk this out together, with joy, truth, and real food!

Annette Reeder



Top 10 Foods for Weight Loss

God's foods keep digestion working and moving smoothly. Eat real God designed foods. Eat foods as close to God's original design. Cook your own meals, grow what you can, and aim for 80% real, whole food.

#### Pomegranates

Pomegranates help burn fat, calm inflammation, and support digestion with filling fiber.

Best way to eat: Fresh as is! Options: Yogurt, salad, smoothie, water!

#### Oats

Why: Oats are high in fiber, keep you full, support digestion, and help reduce cravings.

Best Way to Eat: Soaked overnight or gently cooked on the stove. Options: Sliced banana, cinnamon, chia seeds, nut butter, or fresh berries.

#### Eggs

Eggs are high-quality protein and healthy fats keep you full and support metabolism.

Best Way to Eat: Soft-boiled or scrambled. Options: Sautéed spinach, salsa, avocado, feta, turmeric.

#### **Organic Leafy Greens**

Greens such as beets, mustard, or kale are loaded with fiber and detox-friendly nutrients Best Way to Eat: Lightly sautéed, fresh, or blended into smoothies. Options: Add olive oil, lemon juice, garlic, red pepper flakes, or sea salt.

#### **Chia Seeds**

Chia seeds are rich in fiber and omega-3s; supports fullness and digestion.

Best Way to Eat: Chia pudding Options: Add to yogurt, coconut flakes, cinnamon, blueberries, crushed walnuts, or to a honey drizzle.



Wild-caught salmon is high in antiinflammatory omega-3s; boosts metabolism

Best Way to Eat: Oven roasted or pan-seared. Options: Add lemon slices, dill, capers, olive oil, or garlic.

#### Legumes

Legumes such as chickpeas, lentils, or black beans are high fiber and protein; help balance blood •• sugar and curb cravings.

Best Way to Eat: Tossed in salads or blended into dips.

Options: Add cilantro, cumin, tahini drizzle, tomatoes, scallions for added flavor

#### **Cruciferous Veggies**

Cruciferous vegetables such as cabbage, cauliflower, or broccoli promote detox and are very filling with few calories.

Best Way to Eat: Roasted until crispy. Options: Top with olive oil, garlic, nutritional yeast, sesame seeds, lemon zest.

#### **Garlic and Onions**

Garlic and onions are natural detoxifiers and flavor enhancers with gut-boosting properties.

Best Way to Eat: Pickled or sautéed in any savory meals Options: Include fresh herbs, chili flakes, lemon juice, olive oil, cracked pepper.



Cold pressed Olive Oil is a healthy fat that supports hormones and keeps you satisfied. Best Way to Eat: Drizzled over salad or fresh milled bread. Options to pair with: Roasted veggies, leafy greens, grains, feta cheese, chopped nuts.



Top 10 Foods to Avoid & What to Eat Instead

Not all food is created-or processed-equal. These common foods may seem harmless, but they work against your health goals. Here's a simple avoid and swap plan. Healing happens quickly when we replace with God's foods.

#### Soda (Especially Calorie-Free)

**O** Why: Disrupts hunger cues, rewires brain chemistry and disrupts microbiome.

Swap: Sparkling water with lemon or cucumber slices; herbal teas.



#### **Fat-Free Products**

Why: Replaces healthy fat with chemicals (cellulose is a wood byproduct).

Swap: If a food naturally contains fat, choose it whole fat. Removing fat usually adds fake fillers that trigger cravings and confuse your body.



#### **Processed & Junk Food**

**O** Why: Loaded with chemicals, sugar, and addictive ingredients.

Swap: Whole food snacks like fruit, nuts, hard-boiled eggs, or homemade bar



#### **Foods Containing HFCS** (High Fructose Corn Syrup)

**O** Why: Hidden in many sauces and packaged foods; increases fat storage.

Swap: Sweeten naturally but sparingly with raw honey, maple syrup, or blended fruit.



#### **Processed Fruit Juices**

**O** Why: Stripped of fiber and packed with sugar.

🗹 Swap: Eat whole fruits or infuse water with fresh citrus, mint, or berries.



### Refined Oils (Corn, Canola, etc.)

🛇 Why: Inflammatory, nutritionally empty and hormonal disrupters.

Swap: Cook sparingly with extra virgin olit oil, avocado oil, or grass-fed butter.



**O** Why: May contain toxins if not grass-fed or organic.

Swap: Choose clean, grass-fed meats or plant-based protein like lentils.



#### **Excessive Caffeine**

**O** Why: Overstimulates adrenals and disrupts sleep and hunger signals.

Swap: Limit to one cup of coffee, try roasted chicory or herbal coffee alternatives



**O** Why: Slows metabolism, burdens the liver, and disrupts gut health.

Swap: Try sparkling kombucha, mocktails, or iced tea blends.



NO ARTIFICIAL

# Artificial Ingredients (Colors, Flavors, Sweeteners)

Why: Contribute to cravings and inflammation.

COLORS OR FLAVORS 🔽 Swap: Choose whole, unprocessed foods with ingredients you recognize.





# Planning the plan makes results happen sooner with less effort!

### 3 Meals Per Day

Three meals a day are the perfect balance for hormones, glucose and energy.

Two meals a day, if that works for you is also good.



#### Fast the 4

Fasting between meals for at least 4 hours allows the glucose to return to normal and hormones for hunger and satiety to begin working again.



#### **First Bite Matters**

Start each meal with protein and fiber. This creates a fire for burning fat and stabilizing glucose release.



#### 24 Hour Plan

Planning 24 hours in advance, one day at a time removes the negotiating at the refridgerator.



#### Fast the 12

Fasting 12 hours overnight with no food interruptions allows time for the body to cleanse and heal.

#### **No Snacks**

Snacks between meals interfere with digestion and stimulating the hormones ghrelin and leptin.



#### **Remove the Whites**

Removing the highest contributors of disease: white flour and white sugar, brings healing sooner and the body happy.







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#### Sing in Success

Ignite healing through the vagus nerve with singing!



#### Feast on God's Presence

When food is calling and it is not time yet, feast on God's presence while going for a walk.



#### AMEN Day

Start each morning with saying: Today is going to be an AMEN day!



#### **Give Yourself Credit**

Marking credits for each planned success helps your brain do it again!



#### **Praises over Complaining**

Praises bring results sooner as complaining keeps you stuck. When you are ready for breakthroughs - start with praises.



#### Love the Journey

The sooner you fall in love with the journey - the sooner you see success. The more we struggle with the journey through doubt and feat, the more in bondage we become.



For the JOy of the Lord is my strength. Don't do this alone. The Word is wisdom and truth.



#### Know the Cues

True hunger can wait till it's time. False hunger demands attention. Feed the true and starve the false. Healing comes happens naturally.







# Power 5 Salad

Move over boring salad - the Power 5 Salad is a great way to eat nutritious food and be creative in the kitchen!

The Power 5 Salad is a concept that is totally versatile and adaptable.

# Directions

Step 1: Start with a base of 2-3 vegetables (preferably at least one of them being a <u>cruciferous</u> vegetable).

Step 2: Add a nuts, seeds, beans, and/or legumes for protein. A boiled egg is also a nutrient-dense protein option for those not on a Daniel Fast.

Step 3: Add a fruit and/or herbs and spices.

Step 4: Add a homemade dressing.

Step 5: Enjoy It ~ Personalize It!

Note: Some people may have trouble digesting this amount of vegetables, especially if they consume a Power Five Salad multiple times a day. If so, try <u>digestive enzymes from Transformation Enzymes</u> – use coupon code REEDR25 for 25% off.





# Power 5 Salad

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# Category #1 Vegetables

Category #2 Nuts & Seeds

## Choose 2-3 as base:

- Iceberg lettuce
- Romaine lettuce
- Kale\*
- Chard
- Cucumbers
- Bell Peppers
- Celery
- Purple and green cabbage\*
- Tomatoes (get a variety!)
- Cauliflower\*
- Broccoli\*
- Carrots
- Onions
- Rutabaga
- Sweet Potatoes
- Asparagus
- Brussels sprouts\*
- Butternut Squash

\*cruciferous vegetables

## Choose 1-2 oz for

## <u>protein</u>:

- Sunflower seeds
- Pumpkin seeds
- Chia seeds
- Flaxseeds
- Pumpkin seeds
- Sesame seeds
- Pine nuts
- Quinoa (1/2 cup, this fits the category of a seed and a grain)
- Almonds
- Pistachios
- Pecans
- Cashews
- Chestnuts
- Walnuts
- Hazelnuts
- Brazil nuts
- Macadamia nuts

<u>Choose 1/2 cup of</u> <u>either 1 of the</u> following or a blend:

Category #3

Legumes/

Protein

- Black beans
- Chickpeas
- Peanuts
- Snow peas
- Peas
- Kidney beans
- Soybeans
- Great Northern
  beans
- Lentils (red, green, orange, yellow, brown)
- 1 boiled Egg, if not on Daniel Fast







# Power 5 Salad

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Category	#4
Fruit	

Category #5 Herbs & Spices

<u>Choose up to 1/2 cup</u> <u>fresh or ¼ cup dry:</u>

- Apples
- Grapes
- Peach
- Blueberries
- Strawberries
- Pineapple
- Oranges
- Grapefruit
- Plums
- Pears
- Avocado
- Pomegranate seeds
- Raisins
- Dried Cranberries
  - use sparingly
- Dates

<u>Unlimited:</u>

- <u>Parsley</u>
- <u>Basil</u>
- <u>Cilantro</u>
- <u>Chives</u>
- <u>Dill</u>
- <u>Lemon Balm</u>
- <u>Thyme</u>

<u>Don't Forget the</u> <u>Dressing!</u>

Simply olive oil will work! Or also add balsamic, apple cider, or a flavored vinegar. Avocado oil is another good choice. Organic or homemade salsa are great dressings.







This easy one bowl dish can be enjoyed for breakfast, lunch or dinner. It contains the most important elements to a healthy meal: protein, fiber, and vegetables. This recipe is keto friendly, and it is very biblical! Be creative and discover new combinations!

# Directions

- 1. <u>Prepare the Protein:</u> Cook meat of your choice until fully cooked and nicely browned. Set aside.
- 2. <u>Sauté Aromatic Vegetables</u>: If choosing onions, mushrooms, and or peppers, heat 1 teaspoon olive oil in a large skillet over medium heat and then add the sliced or chopped vegetables. Sauté for about 2 minute or until onions soften. Stire occasionally. Set aside
- 3. <u>Prepare Carbohydrates</u>: In a separate pot, cook the lentils, rice, quinoa, potatoes, or beans according to the package directions. Once cooked to tender perfection, drain if necessary, then fluff or mash (if using potatoes). Set aside.
- 4. <u>Cook Remaining Vegetables</u>: Using the same skillet as used for aromatic vegetables, sauté 1 teaspoon olive oil over medium heat, add remaining vegetables and sauté until just tender, stirring frequently to avoid burning. Add your favorite herbs and spices, such as garlic, thyme, or paprika, to boost flavor. Cook until vibrant and cooked through, about 5–7 minutes. Set aside.

Now the fun part! Mix everything together! I hope you use lots of different colors of food to make this pleasing to the eyes.

#### Serving Suggestions:

- 1. Serve 2 cups of Power Meal for breakfast, lunch or dinner.
- 2. Enjoy 1 egg cooked to your liking and serve 1 cup of this Power Meal beside it.
- 3. Enjoy 2 cups of the Power Meal on top of your favorite lettuce or spinach.

Tip: This Power Meal will super fuel your day and your digestive system. Now wait till the next meal before eating again with no snacking. The satiety of this meal should sustain you for at least 4 hours, maybe more!



Power Meal

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# Category #1 Meat Protein

 2 pounds of ground meat or shredded meat cooked and seasoned

### Meat options:

- beef
- bison
- venison
- chicken
- lamb
- turkey
- Note: For the Daniel Fast or Vegetarian meal omit the meat and substitute with beans or lentils to equal 1 pound.

<u>Any combination</u> <u>equaling 2 pounds raw</u> <u>vegetables.</u>

Category #2

Vegetables

- Mushrooms
- Onions all varieties
- Leeks
- Peppers
- Celery
- Carrots don't forget the purple
- Parsnips
- Cabbage all kinds
- Cauliflower
- Broccoli
- Asparagus
- Brussel sprouts
- Spinach
- Kale
- Escarole
- Bok choy
- Fresh herbs
- Parsley
- Cilantro
- Basil

## Choose one item:

Category #3

Carbohydrates

- Red, yukon gold or sweet potatoes
   1 pound
- Brown rice or quinoa - ½ pound dry
- Beans or lentils -1.2 pound dry

Don't Forget the Seasoning! Enjoy any herb, salt or pepper to your liking.







**Overnight** Oats

This easy 5-minute breakfast recipe is packed with fiber, protein, and healthy fats to keep you full and energized throughout the morning. It's the best breakfast for weight loss.

Ingredients:

1 ounce rolled/ flaked oats 2/3 cup yogurt (I use whole fat) 1/2 cup fruit 1/4 cup water Optional: 2 tsp chia seeds

Instructions:

1. Put all the ingredients in a jar.

- 2. Give it a good shake to mix all the ingredients.
- 3. Chill overnight.
- 4. Enjoy your overnight oats the next day!





I've done the hard work for you! Below are items that I use personally because they use safe and pure ingredients – and they actually work!

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