

## Lord, you know how I long for my health once more. You hear my every sigh. Psalm 38:9

**Plan on eating 6 times a day**. Below are guidelines – if you find something else that works in the same positive calorie/protein/fat range - feel free to eat it... know that this works. **Take your vitamins**!

- Breakfast Options:

   Egg Beaters, unbuttered toast & jam.
   Oatmeal, dry toast & jam.
   Kashi crunch or other cereal & non-fat milk Think low-calorie creative! Add a banana, veggies, berries, chili, etc...

  morning snack:

   Fresh fruit or veggies - anytime as much as you like
   yogurt- toss in some fruit or cottage cheese
   nutrition bar: go for low calorie/high protein
   an occasional handful of nuts- HIGH calorie... but good
   nutrition shake: try the EAS brand- high protein/low cal

  Lunch Options:

   Salad with non-fat (lite) dressing
  - 2. yogurt mixed with cottage cheese
  - 3. cold cut sandwich no mayo pick "good" bread
  - 4. If eating out go with dinner choices
  - afternoon snack: Same as morning options mix it up
- Dinner Options:1. grilled fish & vegetable2. steak & vegetable (if baked potato careful the butter/sour cream!)
  - 3. chicken breast & vegetable (getting picture? Vegetables!)

A Few Dinner Tips: If eating out, don't browse the menu, order what you should eat– they have it. Ask for the "Heart Healthy" version. Avoids grease, butter, calories. Say "NO!" to cheese. We're allergic to it. It's a diet killer. If you're going to "break" your diet– do it while out with friends, not home alone. Have fun!

evening snack: See morning options. Add plain popcorn.

Drink plenty of water! Tea & Coffee have next to no calories also. Eat fruit and vegetables to your hearts delight. **Juice is PACKED** with calories & sugar. **NO Soda**: all carbonated drinks: diet, beer, bubbling water- expand the stomach -drink at risk of failure.

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