



5 Day Devotionals for I AM Worship Church

I Disagree (Part 2)

Pastor Mark Ogletree • Sunday, September 13, 2026



Day 1: Name What Has Named You

Reading: Romans 6:12-13 — Paul urges believers not to allow sin to reign over their bodies or to surrender any part of themselves as instruments of evil, but rather to offer themselves fully to God.

Devotional: Before anything changes, something must be recognized. You cannot repent of what you refuse to name. Many believers carry hidden weights — not the obvious ones the world sees, but the quieter patterns of control, isolation, and self-justification that quietly govern daily decisions. The question is not whether something is reigning in your life. The question is whether you are honest enough to identify what it is. God is not asking you to expose yourself to shame. He is inviting you into clarity. Clarity is the beginning of freedom. Ask yourself today: if a stranger watched my entire week, what would they say is actually in control?

Reflection Question: What pattern, habit, or appetite have you been managing rather than honestly confronting?

Practical Application: Set aside ten minutes of silence today. Write down, privately and honestly, one area of your life where something other than God is setting the tone for your decisions.

Day 2: The Difference Between Sorrow and Repentance

Reading: 2 Corinthians 7:10 — Paul contrasts godly sorrow, which produces genuine repentance leading to salvation without regret, with worldly sorrow, which produces only death.



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Devotional: There is a significant difference between feeling bad and actually changing direction. Worldly sorrow says, "I got caught and I am embarrassed." Godly sorrow says, "I was wrong and I am turning around." One produces emotion. The other produces movement. Many people are fluent in the language of repentance without ever experiencing the reality of it. They come to altars, they cry genuine tears, and they leave the same direction they arrived. True repentance is not a feeling you ride until it fades. It is a decisive turn. It is agreeing with God about what something is and choosing a different road, not because you feel like it, but because Christ has made another way possible.

Reflection Question: Is there an area of your life where you have repeatedly felt remorse without actually changing direction?

Practical Application: Write out a specific, honest prayer of repentance today. Name the thing. Do not speak in vague generalities. Bring it into the light before God and commit to a concrete first step in a different direction.

Day 3: The Power of What You Say Out Loud

Reading: Romans 10:9-10 — Paul explains that salvation comes through believing in the heart and confessing with the mouth, establishing that spoken declaration carries genuine spiritual weight.

Devotional: Renouncing is not a religious ritual. It is the announcement that follows the turn. When you repent, you change direction. When you renounce, you declare what no longer has authority over your life. There is a reason the enemy prefers silence. What stays hidden stays fed. What gets spoken begins to starve. Your words are not merely descriptive — they are decisive. This is why confession to another trusted person carries such weight. It closes a door that silence leaves cracked open. You do not need to stand before a crowd. You need one



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person who knows the real version of you, someone who will hold the line with you and not simply comfort you back into bondage.

Reflection Question: Is there something you have turned from privately but never declared out loud, leaving it still able to return quietly?

Practical Application: Identify one trusted person in your life. This week, speak plainly to them about one area where you need accountability. Do not soften it. Speak it clearly and ask them to hold you to it.

Day 4: You Cannot Leave the House Empty

Reading: Luke 11:24-26 — Jesus describes an unclean spirit that leaves a person, wanders, then returns to find the house swept clean but empty, bringing seven worse spirits with it, leaving the person in a worse condition than before.

Devotional: Getting something out of your life is only half the work. If you remove a destructive habit, a harmful relationship, or a sinful pattern without replacing it with the truth of God's Word and the presence of his Spirit, you have simply created a vacancy. And vacancies get filled. This is why so many people experience cycles of freedom followed by deeper bondage. They clean the house but never invite the right resident in. God is not asking for behavior modification. He wants the same hands, the same mind, the same mouth, the same days — surrendered differently. He wants to take what the enemy has used for destruction and redirect it entirely toward his purposes.

Reflection Question: In an area where you have experienced repeated defeat, what specific truth from Scripture have you been replacing the lie with?



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Practical Application: Choose one lie you have believed about yourself or your situation. Find a specific verse that directly contradicts it. Write it somewhere visible and speak it aloud each morning this week.

Day 5: You Are Not Fighting for Victory — You Are Fighting from It

Reading: 1 John 4:4 — John declares that believers belong to God and have already overcome, because the Spirit living within them is greater than the spirit at work in the world.

Devotional: Restoration is not you rebuilding something from rubble through sheer willpower. It is you walking back into a room that already has your name on the deed and refusing to hand it over again. The cross has already happened. The tomb is still empty. Christ has already placed sin under his feet and handed that same authority to every believer. This means you are not straining toward a victory that is uncertain. You are standing in one that is already secured. Freedom is not the finish line — it is the ground you occupy so that you can walk fully into what God has called you to do. The war is over. Now occupy the territory.

Reflection Question: In what area of your life have you been striving for freedom as though God has not already provided it, rather than standing in what he has already won?

Practical Application: Identify one specific area — your mornings, your relationships, your thought life, your home — and make one concrete decision today to reclaim it. Not perfectly. Not all at once. One room at a time.