



5 Day Devotionals for I AM Worship Church
It's Not That Complicated
Pastor Mark Ogletree • Sunday, March 15, 2026



Monday: Jesus Loves You Right Where You Are

Reading: John 3:16-17; Romans 5:8

Devotional: Before you did anything right or wrong today, Jesus already loved you. This foundational truth changes everything. The enemy whispers that you must earn God's approval, that you're not enough, that yesterday's failures disqualify you. But God's love isn't based on your performance—it's rooted in His character. Romans 5:8 declares that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Not after we cleaned up. Not when we got it together. Right in the middle of our mess. Today, reject the lie that you must earn what's already been freely given. Receive His love as a child receives a gift—with open hands and a grateful heart. Let this simple truth anchor your soul: Jesus sees you, knows you completely, and loves you unconditionally.

Tuesday: The Power of the Resurrection

Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:3-8, 17-20; Romans 6:4-11

Devotional: Christianity stands or falls on one historical event: the resurrection. Every other religious leader remains in their grave, but our Savior walked out of His. This isn't just ancient history—it's your present reality. Because Jesus rose, your sin is fully paid for. Because He conquered death, you have hope beyond the grave. Because He lives, you can face tomorrow. The resurrection power that raised Christ from the dead now lives in you through the Holy Spirit. That same power is available for your marriage, your finances, your broken relationships, and your impossible situations. Nothing is too hard for the God who defeated death. Today, remember: you don't serve a dead religion or follow empty rituals. You follow a living Savior who has already won your victory.

Wednesday: Love God, Love People

Reading: Matthew 22:34-40; 1 John 4:7-12, 19-21

Devotional: Jesus simplified 613 commandments into two: love God with everything you have, and love people as yourself. Yet this simplicity reveals our impossibility. We cannot perfectly love in our own strength. The secret? We love because He first loved us. Real love—unconditional, sacrificial, agape love—flows from the Holy Spirit living within us. When we're connected to Jesus, the Vine, His Spirit produces the fruit of love through us. You're not the source; He is. Today, examine your relationships.



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Are you trying to manufacture love through willpower, or are you drawing from the Source? Confess where you've failed to love well. Then reconnect to Jesus through prayer, worship, and surrender. As you abide in Him, His love will naturally flow through you to others, transforming your most difficult relationships.

Thursday: Return to Your First Love

Reading: Revelation 2:1-7; Jeremiah 2:1-2

Devotional: Busyness can masquerade as devotion. The church in Ephesus worked hard, served faithfully, and stood against evil—yet Jesus said they had abandoned their first love. Ministry activity had replaced intimate relationship. Does this describe you? Have you become so busy serving Jesus that you've forgotten to simply love Him? Remember when you first believed—the wonder, the passion, the hunger for His presence? Jesus isn't impressed with our religious performance when our hearts have grown cold. He desires relationship over ritual, communion over committee work. Today is your invitation to repent and return. Stop striving. Sit at His feet. Tell Him you love Him. Worship without agenda. The work will flow naturally from a heart that's in love, but nothing can replace loving Jesus Himself.

Friday: The Simplicity of Commitment

Reading: Romans 10:9-13; Joshua 24:14-15

Devotional: Following Jesus is simple but not easy. It requires daily commitment—doing what you promised long after the initial excitement fades. You don't fall in and out of love with Jesus; you walk into commitment and choose to stay. This commitment isn't based on feelings, which change like the weather, but on decision. Every morning is an opportunity to recommit: "Jesus, I'm not in control today—You are. I surrender my plans, my fears, my relationships. I choose to love You." Salvation begins with believing in your heart and confessing with your mouth, but discipleship continues with daily surrender. Where have you complicated your faith? What religious performance has replaced simple obedience? Today, strip away the extras. Kneel before Him. Recommit your life. Choose Jesus again—not out of duty, but from a heart that remembers His goodness, His faithfulness, and His unending love.