

5 Day Devotional

Day 1: More Than a Good Teacher

Devotional

It is easy to admire Jesus from a distance. Many people throughout history have respected Him as a wise teacher, a moral example, or even a great prophet. But Jesus never left room for that kind of comfortable middle ground.

When He said, "Before Abraham was, I am," He was not speaking in riddles. He was directly connecting Himself to the divine name God revealed to Moses at the burning bush. The crowd understood it immediately, and their reaction proved it. You do not pick up stones over a metaphor.

This changes everything about how we relate to Him. A good teacher gives advice you can take or leave. But if Jesus truly is who He claimed to be, then His words carry the full weight of heaven behind them. His ways are not suggestions. They are the words of the One who existed before time itself.

Here is the encouraging part. The same Jesus who made that bold declaration is the One who pursues you with love and grace. He did not come to overwhelm you with impossible demands. He came to invite you into a relationship with the living God. That is worth saying yes to, fully and completely.

Bible Verse

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made." - John 1:1-3

Reflection Question

If Jesus truly is the eternal Son of God and not simply a wise teacher, what is one area of your life where you have been treating His words as optional rather than authoritative?

Quote

"If he is just another prophet or another man, then I can brush his opinion off like another prophet or another man. But if he is the Son of God that has come from above, that means His ways are not our ways."

Prayer

Lord, open my eyes to see Jesus for who He truly is, not just a guide, but the eternal God who stepped into my world. Give me the courage to surrender every part of my life to Him today. Amen.