

5 Day Devotional

Day 1: Do You Love Me?

Devotional

There is a moment in John 21 that is easy to rush past, but it deserves a slow, honest look. Jesus had just restored Peter after His denial. The fire was burning, breakfast was ready, and then Jesus asked the question that changed everything: "Do you love Me?"

He asked it three times. Not to embarrass Peter, but to rebuild him. And each time Peter answered yes, Jesus gave Him a purpose: feed My sheep, tend My sheep, feed My sheep.

That exchange reveals something important. Love for Jesus is not just a feeling. It is a calling. It is what motivates us to show up, to serve, to stay when things get hard. Whether you are a leader in the church or someone sitting in the pew, the same question applies to you today.

Do you love Him? Not just in the good seasons, but in the difficult ones too? That love is the foundation of everything. It is what keeps a pastor preaching truth when it is uncomfortable. It is what keeps a believer committed to their church family when life gets busy. It is what holds the whole thing together.

You do not have to have it all figured out. Peter certainly did not. But if your answer is yes, that is enough to start. Let that love be the thing that drives you forward today.

Bible Verse

"And he said to him the third time, 'Simon, son of John, do you love me?' Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' and he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to Him, 'Feed my sheep.'" - John 21:17

Reflection Question

If Jesus asked you today, "Do you love Me?", what would your honest answer look like in the way you are actually living?

Quote

"Do you love me?"

Prayer

Lord, I want my love for You to be more than words. Let it show in how I serve, how I give, and how I treat the people around me. Amen.