

Day 5: A Covenant Worth Keeping

Devotional

A covenant is not a contract. A contract is transactional. A covenant is relational. It is a commitment made not because of what you get in return, but because of love.

The relationship between a church and its leaders is meant to be a covenant. Leaders commit to the Word, to prayer, to faithful oversight, and to love. The people respond by giving their whole heart to what God is doing. That partnership is how the kingdom grows.

Peter 5 describes what faithful oversight looks like. It is not driven by compulsion or a desire for control. It is willing, humble, and motivated by love for God and His people. That kind of leadership is a gift, and it deserves a response of wholehearted engagement.

You have a role in this covenant too. Showing up matters. Giving matters. Serving matters. Praying for your leaders matters. The church is not a place you attend. It is a family you belong to, and every member has something to contribute.

The good news is that you do not have to be perfect to participate. None of us are. But when we commit to one another in love, when we stay faithful to the Word and to prayer, and when we pursue God together, something remarkable happens. The church becomes what Jesus always intended it to be: a light in the world, an answer to what our society desperately needs.

Bible Verse

"Shepherd the flock of God that is among you, exercising oversight, not under compulsion, but willingly, as God would have you; not for shameful gain, but eagerly." - 1 Peter 5:2

Reflection Question

What does your contribution to your church community look like right now, and is it a reflection of the covenant commitment God is calling you to?

Quote

"Our job is the covenant. Our priority is the word. Our priority is prayer. Our priority is loving you. Our priority is growing the team of God."

Prayer