



5 DAY DEVOTIONAL

Moving Away From Solo Christianity

OVERVIEW

This five-day devotional is an invitation to move from “solo Christianity” into the kind of Spirit-empowered community Pastor Jason described—where life change becomes more than an idea. Each day builds on the last, helping you practice showing up, living the “one another” commands, and trusting Jesus to form you through His people.



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DAY 1

ACTS 2:42-47

Biblical community isn't a church program; it's a Spirit-formed way of life. In Acts, ordinary believers devoted themselves to worship, Scripture, shared meals, prayer, and practical care—and God used those simple rhythms to create extraordinary change. The point isn't to copy every detail, but to notice the engine underneath it all: people consistently showing up to love God and one another.

Many of us have been trained to value independence, so we assume growth is mostly private—me, my Bible, my willpower. But Acts shows a different pathway: God often reshapes us through shared devotion and shared life. If you want life change, begin where they began: not with perfection, but with devotion and presence—choosing to be part of the “we” God is forming.

- Where have you been trying to grow spiritually in isolation, and what has that produced in you?
- Which of the Acts 2 rhythms (teaching, fellowship, breaking bread, prayer, generosity, worship) feels most absent in your week?
- What would it look like for you to “devote yourself” rather than dabble—one small, concrete step you can take this week?
- Who is one person in your church or faith circle you can intentionally reach out to and share a meal or conversation with?
- Pray: “Lord, form me into a devoted person. Help me show up consistently and let community become a place of real change.”

DAY 2

EPHESIANS 3:6

Pastor Jason began with God's plan: in Christ, people who once were divided become one body who share equally in God's riches. That means biblical community is not built on similarity, chemistry, or convenience—it's built on Jesus' blood-bought unity. The church becomes a living display of God's wisdom when people who wouldn't naturally choose each other learn to belong to each other.

Unity doesn't erase differences; it redeems them. When you choose to stay present, to listen, to honor, and to work through tension, you're participating in something larger than your comfort—God's wisdom being made visible. Community is not just for your support; it's for God's glory, because it shows what only God can do: make one family out of many stories.

- Where are you tempted to treat church as a place you attend rather than a body you belong to?
- Who in your community feels “different” from you, and what might it look like to pursue understanding instead of distance?
- Is there a relationship in your church where you've pulled back due to discomfort, offense, or inconvenience? What is one step toward peace you can take?
- What does “sharing equally in the riches” of Christ suggest about how you view your time, attention, and spiritual gifts?
- Pray: “Jesus, thank You for making me part of Your body. Teach me to live like I truly belong—and to help others feel they belong too.”

DAY 3

MICAH 6:8

Showing up is spiritual formation in disguise. Micah describes a life that looks like justice, mercy, and humility with God—none of which can be lived out as a private hobby. Justice requires paying attention to others; mercy requires compassion that costs something; humility requires the courage to be honest about your need and limitations. Community is where these qualities are tested and grown.

It's easy to confuse "being present" with simply being physically in the room. But biblical community calls for a deeper presence: noticing people, keeping your word, offering help, confessing when you fall short, and choosing obedience over comfort. When you show up like that, you're not just being nice—you're practicing the way of Jesus, who never stops showing up for you.

- Where have you recently chosen comfort or convenience over compassion and obedience?
- What is one "showing up" commitment you can make this week (a call, a visit, a note, a prayer appointment, a meal)?
- Which is harder for you right now: acting justly, loving mercy, or walking humbly—and why?
- Is there someone you need to apologize to or reconcile with as a way of "walking humbly" in community?
- Pray: "Lord, make me a person who shows up. Give me courage to love with action, mercy, and humility."

DAY 4

JAMES 5:16

Life change accelerates when honesty becomes normal. James connects confession and prayer with healing, not because sharing is magic, but because God meets us in truth. Pastor Jason emphasized that biblically functioning community includes transparency, accountability, and regular confession—bringing struggles into the light so they can lose their power. Confession isn't humiliation; it's humility that opens the door to grace. When you name your struggle to a trusted brother or sister, you stop fighting alone, and you invite others to carry the burden with you. This is one of the "one another" practices that makes community a place of transformation rather than performance.

- What is one struggle, fear, temptation, or burden you've been carrying silently?
- Who is a mature, trustworthy believer you could ask to pray with you regularly for the next month?
- What boundaries would help confession stay safe and wise (confidentiality, clarity, consistency, honesty)?
- How has secrecy affected your peace, joy, or relationships—and what might change if you bring it into the light?
- Pray: "Holy Spirit, give me humility to be honest and courage to receive prayer. Use community to bring healing and strength."

DAY 5

EPHESIANS 4:11-12

Biblical community isn't built around a few people doing all the ministry; it's built around the whole body being equipped to serve. Pastor Jason described the church as pastors and leaders equipping the saints—pushing ministry outward so everyone participates in God's mission. You are not just a consumer of church; you are part of Christ's active presence in the world.

As you commit to community, show up consistently, and practice honesty, something new becomes possible: you begin to serve from your God-given calling. When every member contributes—through hospitality, prayer, mentoring, generosity, teaching, care, or leadership—the church becomes a contagious community. This is how God's kingdom becomes visible: ordinary believers, empowered by the Spirit, loving and serving together.

- Where have you been tempted to view church primarily as a service you attend rather than a mission you join?
- What is one area of need you notice in your church or neighborhood that you could step toward with a simple act of service?
- Which gifts or strengths has God given you that could build up others (encouragement, organization, listening, teaching, mercy, generosity)?
- What is one practical next step to get more connected (join a group, meet with a leader, attend a class, volunteer once)?
- Pray: "Jesus, make me available. Equip me to serve, and let my life help build a community that displays Your love."



THANK YOU

For Completing Our 5 Day Devotional

You've Taken an Important Step

Over the past five days, you've set aside time to reflect, pray, and grow in your relationship with God. Whether one passage challenged you, encouraged you, or simply reminded you of God's faithfulness, every moment spent in His Word has value.

Remember, spiritual growth isn't measured by perfection—it's built through consistent time with God, one day at a time.

Keep the Journey Going

This devotional may be ending, but your walk with God continues every day. Stay rooted in Scripture, remain faithful in prayer, and trust that God will continue the good work He has begun in you.

Give'm Heaven!

Pastor Jason