# QFMC 5 Day Devotional

Week of November 9, 2025 by Ryan Massey

#### Day 1: Beyond Words to Action

Reading: Luke 6:46-49

Devotional: Jesus asks a piercing question: "Why do you call me Lord, Lord, and do not do what I say?" Faith isn't merely about agreement or good theology—it's about holy obedience. Like a house built on bedrock, our lives gain stability when we don't just hear Jesus' words but put them into practice. Progress illusion can trick us into thinking that planning, talking, or studying equals transformation. But Jesus calls us to actually move, to take steps of obedience. Today, identify one command of Jesus you've been hearing but not doing. What would it look like to build your foundation deeper by actually obeying? Don't just talk about following Jesus—follow Him.

### Day 2: Abiding Bears Fruit

Reading: John 15:1-8

Devotional: Jesus declares that God is glorified when we produce much fruit, proving we are His disciples. But fruit doesn't come from striving—it comes from abiding. A branch disconnected from the vine withers, regardless of its proximity to the tree. Connection, not location, determines fruitfulness. When we remain in Christ through ongoing surrender and obedience, the Spirit naturally produces love, joy, peace, patience, and kindness through us. This isn't about working harder but staying connected deeper. Are you merely near Jesus, or are you abiding in Him? Today, consider what it means to remain connected to Christ—through prayer, Scripture, worship, and surrender. Let transformation flow from intimacy, not effort alone.

#### Day 3: Equipped to Equip

Reading: Ephesians 4:11-16

Devotional: Paul reveals that pastors and teachers aren't called to do all the ministry—they're called to equip God's people for the work of serving. Every believer has a part to play in building up the body of Christ. Discipleship isn't the job of a few leaders; it's the calling of everyone who says yes to Jesus. When each member does their part, the whole body grows into maturity, measured by the fullness of Christ. You are not a spectator in God's kingdom work. What tools

has God given you? Who has He placed in your life? Today, ask the Holy Spirit to show you your part in building up others. You don't need to be an expert—just willing and obedient.

#### Day 4: Sensitivity to the Spirit

Reading: Acts 8:26-40

Devotional: Philip's encounter with the Ethiopian official teaches us the power of simple obedience. An angel told Philip to go to a desert road—he didn't know why, but he went. When the Spirit said, "Go near the chariot," Philip obeyed. He didn't have a program or strategy, just attentiveness and availability. One conversation, guided by Scripture and the Spirit, led to transformation and baptism. Discipleship moments often come unexpectedly when we're paying attention. Philip simply asked, "Do you understand what you're reading?" and offered to help. Who is sitting in the chariot near you—at work, in your neighborhood, your family? Today, ask God to open your eyes to divine appointments and give you courage to step into them.

## Day 5: Who Is God Placing on Your Heart?

Reading: Matthew 28:18-20

Devotional: Jesus' final command was clear: "Go and make disciples." This isn't just for pastors or missionaries—it's for every follower of Christ. Making disciples happens in simple, relational settings: around a dinner table, over coffee, in a weekly Bible study. You don't need to have all the answers or a polished program. You just need faithfulness and a few simple tools—reading Scripture together, asking good questions, confessing sin, praying, and listening to the Holy Spirit. Multiplication begins when you invite one person to walk the discipleship journey with you. Stop waiting for the perfect moment or for someone else to do it. Who is God placing on your heart right now? Take the step—ask them to join you in following Jesus.