

QFMC 5 Day Devotional

Week of September 21, 2025 by Andrew Royer

Day 1: Surrendering to Jesus

Reading: Luke 9:23-26

Devotional: Jesus calls us to a life of total surrender. This isn't a partial commitment or a casual association - it's an all-encompassing dedication of our entire being. Reflect on areas of your life where you may be holding back from full surrender. What fears or attachments are keeping you from fully giving yourself to Christ? Remember, true discipleship means letting go of our own ways and embracing God's path for us. Today, consciously choose to surrender one area of your life to Jesus, trusting that His plans are greater than your own.

Day 2: Loving God and Neighbor

Reading: Matthew 22:36-40

Devotional: The greatest commandments encompass our entire purpose - to love God with everything we are and to love others as ourselves. This love isn't just an emotion; it's an action, a choice we make daily. How can you demonstrate your love for God more fully today? Consider ways you can show love to a neighbor, colleague, or even someone you find difficult. Remember, our ability to love others flows from our love for God. As you grow in your love for Him, ask for His help to extend that love to those around you.

Day 3: Making Disciples

Reading: Matthew 28:18-20

Devotional: The Great Commission isn't just for pastors or missionaries - it's for every follower of Christ. We are all called to make disciples. This doesn't necessarily mean formal evangelism, but it does mean living in such a way that others see Christ in us and are drawn to Him. Reflect on your sphere of influence. Who in your life might be open to hearing about Jesus? How can you be more intentional about sharing your faith through both words and actions? Remember, disciple-making starts with your own growth in Christ. As you deepen your own relationship with Him, you'll naturally overflow with His love to others.

Day 4: Bearing Spiritual Fruit

Reading: Galatians 5:22-23

Devotional: As disciples of Jesus, we are called to bear fruit - to reflect His character in our lives. The fruit of the Spirit isn't something we manufacture on our own; it's the natural result of abiding in Christ. Which aspect of the fruit of the Spirit do you find most challenging to cultivate? Ask God to work in that area of your life. Remember, bearing fruit is a process. Don't be discouraged if you don't see immediate results. Keep abiding in Christ, and trust that He is transforming you day by day.

Day 5: Counting the Cost

Reading: Luke 14:25-33

Devotional: Following Jesus comes with a cost. He doesn't hide this truth from us but invites us to carefully consider what it means to be His disciple. Reflect on what following Christ has cost you so far. Are there areas where you've been hesitant to fully commit because of the potential cost? Remember, whatever we give up for Christ pales in comparison to what we gain in Him. Today, recommit yourself to following Jesus, no matter the cost. Trust that His grace is sufficient for whatever challenges you may face on the path of discipleship.