

# **Five Keys to Divine Increase Devotional**

*25-Day Devotional*

## **SESSION 1: Five Keys to Divine Increase - Key 5, Love Purity (Pastor Mirek Hufton)**

**DAY: Monday**

**TITLE: The Pure Heart God is Looking For**

**KEY VERSE: Matthew 5:8 -- "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God."**

**REFLECTION:** I want to start this week by asking you something I ask myself regularly -- how's your heart? Not your physical heart, but the one God looks at. When Jesus said "blessed are the pure in heart," He wasn't describing perfection. He was describing a direction. A heart that's genuinely turned toward God, cleared of hidden motives, scrubbed of secret compromises. I believe purity is power. The closer you get to God, the more His anointing flows through your life. But sin creates distance. It clouds your vision. It muffles the voice of God. Here's the beautiful truth though -- God isn't standing far off, arms crossed, waiting for you to get it perfectly right. He's beckoning you. Draw near to Him and He draws near to you. This week, let's make purity our pursuit, not out of fear, but out of love.

**PRAYER: Father, I want a clean heart. Show me anything that's creating distance between us, and give me the courage to deal with it honestly. I want more of You this week.**

**DAILY ACTION: Spend five quiet minutes this morning asking God one honest question: "Lord, is there anything in my heart that needs to be cleaned out today?" Write down whatever comes to mind.**

**DAY: Tuesday**

**TITLE: Sin Shall Not Have Dominion Over You**

**KEY VERSE: Romans 6:14 -- "For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace."**

**REFLECTION:** I love this verse because it's a declaration, not a suggestion. Sin shall not -- not "might not," not "hopefully won't" -- shall not have dominion over you. That's God speaking your freedom into existence. But here's what I've learned in years of walking with people and with God: knowing you're free and walking in freedom are two different things. You've been made righteous through Jesus, but God also expects you to walk that righteousness out. There's God's part and there's your part. His part? He washed you clean. Your part? You guard the vessel. You set boundaries. You spit out the thoughts that don't belong. You shut down what shouldn't be open. I'm not preaching condemnation today -- I'm preaching liberation. You are not a slave to your flesh. You have authority through Christ. Walk like it today.

**PRAYER: Jesus, thank You that sin has no legal right to control me anymore. Help me walk in the freedom You already purchased for me, and remind me today that I have authority through Your name.**

**DAILY ACTION: Identify one area where sin has felt like it has "dominion" in your life lately. Speak Romans 6:14 aloud over that specific area three times today.**

**DAY: Wednesday**

**TITLE: Laying Aside the Weight That's Slowing You Down**

**KEY VERSE: Hebrews 12:1 -- "Let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us."**

**REFLECTION:** God put you on this planet with a specific destiny programmed into you. There is a race with your name on it -- a calling, a purpose, a finish line with eternal rewards. But you cannot run it carrying extra weight. I've seen people miss their destiny not because they were bad people, but because they never dealt with the stuff they were dragging along behind them. Unforgiveness. Hidden compromises. Patterns they kept making excuses for. The writer of Hebrews doesn't say maybe consider laying aside weight -- he says do it. Shake it off. Because your race matters. The world needs what God placed inside you. Your family needs it. This church needs it. Heaven is cheering you on. But you've got to make a decision today to drop what's slowing you down, and keep your eyes fixed on Jesus. He's worth it.

**PRAYER: Lord, show me what weight I've been carrying that I need to lay down today. I want to run my race well, and I trust You to give me the strength to let go of what's holding me back.**

**DAILY ACTION: Write down one "weight" -- not necessarily a sin, but something draining your spiritual energy -- and pray specifically over it, releasing it to God before you go to bed tonight.**

**DAY: Thursday**

**TITLE: Walking in the Light of God's Word**

**KEY VERSE: John 1:5 -- "And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it."**

**REFLECTION:** When I go without reading God's Word, I genuinely feel the difference. It's like wearing yesterday's clothes -- something just isn't right. The Word of God isn't just information, it's light. And light does something that nothing else can do -- it exposes what was hidden, it cleanses what was murky, it reveals the path forward when everything looks confusing. Jesus prayed for His disciples in John 17, asking the Father to sanctify them through truth -- and then He said, "Your Word is truth." So the Word doesn't just teach you, it actually purifies you. It scrubs off wrong thinking. It corrects bent attitudes. It speaks life into dead places. If things feel spiritually foggy for you right now, I want to encourage you -- get back into the Word. Not as a religious duty, but as a lifeline. The light is still shining. Step into it.

**PRAYER: Father, let Your Word do its deep cleaning work in me today. Open my eyes to see truth I might be avoiding, and give me a hunger for Scripture that goes beyond habit into genuine hunger.**

**DAILY ACTION: Read one Psalm slowly today -- not to check it off a list, but to let it speak to you. Pause on any verse that hits your heart and sit with it for at least two minutes.**

**DAY: Friday**

**TITLE: Love Purity -- The Key That Changes Everything**

**KEY VERSE: 1 John 3:3 -- "And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is**

**pure."**

**REFLECTION:** We've walked through a powerful week together, and I want to close it with the heart of everything I've been teaching. You can know about purity, you can understand holiness theologically -- but until you love purity, it will always feel like a burden instead of a gift. When you truly love God, you begin to love what He loves. And God loves cleanness. He loves wholeness. He loves a heart that's fully His. The beautiful thing about 1 John 3:3 is that it ties purity directly to hope -- to the expectation that one day we'll be fully like Jesus. That hope changes how you live today. I'm not asking you to be perfect. I'm asking you to be hungry. Hungry for more of God. Hungry enough to deal with the things that create distance between you and Him. That hunger -- that love for purity -- is where divine increase begins.

**PRAYER:** God, I don't just want to know about purity -- I want to love it. Give me a heart that genuinely wants what You want, and help me end this week cleaner and closer to You than I started it.

**DAILY ACTION:** Take five minutes today to write a short, honest prayer to God about one area of your life where you want to grow in purity. Keep it -- and revisit it in 30 days to see how God has moved.

## **SESSION 2: Five Keys to Divine Increase - Key 4, Love Obeying God's Word (Pastor Mirek Hufton)**

**DAY:** Monday

**TITLE:** Love Came First

**KEY VERSE:** 1 John 4:10 -- "In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins."

**REFLECTION:** I want to start this week by reminding you of something that changes everything -- God loved you first. Long before you ever thought about Him, before you made a single right choice or said a single right prayer, He was already running toward you with open arms. That's not religion. That's a Father who is crazy about His children.

Here's what I've learned in ministry: you cannot truly obey God until you truly receive His love. Obedience that flows from fear or obligation is exhausting and empty. But obedience that flows from love? That's where the power is. That's where the joy is. This week, we're going to build something together -- a foundation of love that makes obeying God feel like the most natural thing in the world. Let's start right here, receiving His love today.

**PRAYER:** Father, thank You for loving me before I ever loved You. Help me to receive that love deeply today, not just know it in my head, but feel it in my heart. Let that love be the starting point for everything I do this week.

**DAILY ACTION:** Write down three ways God has shown His love to you personally, and read them aloud as an act of thankfulness today.

**DAY: Tuesday**

**TITLE: The Living Word in Your Hands**

**KEY VERSE: 2 Timothy 3:16 -- "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness."**

REFLECTION: I'll be honest with you -- I've watched people treat this Bible like a lucky charm they keep on the nightstand, and I've watched people treat it like the very breath of God. The difference in their lives is unmistakable. Every word in this book was breathed out by God Himself. That means when you open it, you're not just reading ancient history -- you're encountering the living voice of the One who made you.

The word "profitable" jumps out at me every time. God is saying, this is for your benefit. The correction, the instruction, even the reproof -- it's all working for you, not against you. I spent two hours a day in this book when I was a young believer, and I'll tell you what, it rewired everything. The more you're in the word, the more you see, and the more you see, the more you're changed.

**PRAYER: Lord, forgive me for the times I've treated Your word casually. Reignite a hunger in me today to open this book and find You on every page. Let Your word correct me, instruct me, and lead me into the life You planned for me.**

**DAILY ACTION: Set a specific, recurring time in your daily calendar this week -- even 15 minutes -- dedicated solely to reading your Bible without any distractions.**

**DAY: Wednesday**

**TITLE: His Commands Are Not a Burden**

**KEY VERSE: 1 John 5:3 -- "For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome."**

REFLECTION: I want to address something I hear a lot, even from sincere believers -- "Pastor, following all these commands feels so heavy." I understand that feeling. But here's what I want you to see today: the commands of God are not chains, they are guardrails. They exist because He loves you and He knows the road ahead better than you do.

When I told God I would obey everything in this book -- not some of it, all of it -- my life didn't become harder. It became cleaner, clearer, more powerful. The burden isn't in the obedience; the burden is in the disobedience. Living outside of what God says is what exhausts you. His commands are actually the path of least resistance when you're walking in love. Let me encourage you today -- what feels like restriction is actually protection. What looks like a fence is actually freedom.

**PRAYER: Father, help me to see Your commands through the lens of love today, not law. Where I've been carrying the weight of disobedience, I ask for Your forgiveness and Your grace to start fresh. I want to walk in Your ways because I love You, not because I have to.**

**DAILY ACTION: Identify one area where you've been resisting God's word, and take one small, practical step today toward obedience in that area.**

**DAY: Thursday**

**TITLE: Obedience Opens the Door to God's Presence**

**KEY VERSE: John 14:23 -- "Jesus answered and said to him, 'If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him.'"**

**REFLECTION:** This verse stops me every time I read it. Jesus is saying that when you love Him and obey His word, the Father and the Son come and make their home -- their dwelling place -- inside you. That's not a small thing. That's the presence of God taking up permanent residence in your life.

I've experienced this personally. When I began to walk in obedience -- even in the things I didn't want to do, like leaving corporate America for ministry, like saying no when God said no -- I found that His presence became more real, more tangible. The blessing was never just financial or circumstantial; it was His nearness. That's the divine increase we're talking about this week. It's not just stuff. It's Him. And when you have Him, everything else gets taken care of. Obedience is the doorway into His presence.

**PRAYER: Jesus, I want You to make Your home in me -- not just visit me on Sundays. Show me where my disobedience has kept that door closed, and give me the courage to fling it wide open today. I love You, and I want You near.**

**DAILY ACTION: Spend five minutes in quiet today -- no phone, no noise -- and simply invite God's presence into your home, your heart, and your day.**

**DAY: Friday**

**TITLE: Get Under the Spout**

**KEY VERSE: John 15:10 -- "If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love."**

**REFLECTION:** I love this old Pentecostal song I quote often: "Get under the spout where the glory comes out." It says everything. There is a supply coming from heaven -- blessing, favor, increase, peace, power -- and you can be a believer and still miss it. You can be this close and just be standing in the wrong spot.

This whole week we've been talking about loving God, loving His word, and loving to obey Him. Here's what I want you to take into your weekend: obedience is simply positioning yourself under the spout. It's not earning God's love -- He already loves you unconditionally. It's aligning your life with the flow of what He's already releasing. The more you obey, the more you experience His love, and the more you experience His love, the more you want to obey. It's a cycle of blessing, and it starts with one decision -- to say yes to God today.

**PRAYER: Father, I want to be under the spout. I don't want to be close to the blessing and miss it -- I want to be right in the middle of everything You're pouring out. Help me to say yes to You quickly, completely, and joyfully this weekend and every day. I love You.**

**DAILY ACTION: Share one thing God has been speaking to you through His word this week with a friend, family member, or fellow church member -- let your obedience become an encouragement to someone else today.**

## **SESSION 3: Five Keys to Divine Increase - Key 3, Increase God's Kingdom (Pastor Mirek Hufton)**

**DAY: Monday**

**TITLE: You Serve a God of Increase**

**KEY VERSE: Genesis 1:28 -- "God blessed them and said to them, 'Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it.'"**

**REFLECTION:** I want you to hear this from my heart -- the very first thing God spoke over humanity was a blessing of increase. From the very beginning, our Father's plan was never poverty, never just getting by, never barely surviving. His first word over you was \*multiply\*. I grew up watching mangoes fall by the thousands in African forests -- more than anyone could ever eat. That's the God we serve. He is lavish. He is abundant. He thinks big. When I came out of corporate life into ministry, I had to shake off a religious mindset that somehow said less equals holiness. That's simply not in scripture. God told Adam to fill the earth -- you cannot fill something if you are shrinking. Today, let this truth settle deep in your spirit: your heavenly Father is a God of increase, and He has increase on His mind for you.

**PRAYER: Father, I thank You that from the very beginning, increase was Your idea, not mine. Help me today to see myself the way You see me -- blessed, fruitful, and multiplying. Shake every poverty mindset off me in Jesus' name.**

**DAILY ACTION: Write "God is a God of increase" on a sticky note and place it somewhere you will see it at least three times today.**

**DAY: Tuesday**

**TITLE: Seek the Kingdom First**

**KEY VERSE: Matthew 6:33 -- "But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."**

**REFLECTION:** I love this verse because Jesus is being so honest with us here. He knows we need food on the table, clothes on our backs, a roof over our heads. He is not naive about real life. But He says -- put My kingdom first and I will take care of the rest. The nobleman in Luke 19 gave his servants money and said occupy, trade, multiply -- until I return. He expected a return. That is kingdom thinking. I want to challenge you today -- when you make financial decisions, when you plan your week, when you set your budget -- ask yourself honestly, is the kingdom first in this? Not second. Not third when there is something left over. First. When you live with that kind of focus, something supernatural gets released. God begins moving pieces into position that you could never move yourself. I have watched it happen again and again in my own life.

**PRAYER: Lord Jesus, I honestly confess that I do not always put Your kingdom first. Rearrange my priorities today. Let kingdom thinking drive every decision I make this week. I trust You to add everything else I need.**

**DAILY ACTION: Before you spend any money today, pause for ten seconds and ask, "Is God's**

kingdom reflected in how I am stewarding what He gave me?"

**DAY: Wednesday**

**TITLE: You Are Abraham's Heir**

**KEY VERSE: Galatians 3:7 -- "Understand, then, that those who have faith are children of Abraham."**

**REFLECTION:** This changes everything when it really lands in your spirit. Abraham was not just a historical figure -- he is your faith father. And the Bible says in Genesis 13 verse 2 that Abraham was very rich. That word means wealthy, prosperous, abundant. God told him, I will bless you, I will make your name great, and through you all the families of the earth shall be blessed. That was not just for Abraham. As his children by faith, that covenant flows to you and me today. I am not preaching a name-it-and-claim-it gospel with no roots -- I am showing you what the written Word actually says. You are a son or daughter of the most blessed man who ever walked this earth outside of Jesus. Your Father's house is not struggling. Your inheritance is not poverty. Today, receive your identity as an heir of the Abrahamic blessing and walk accordingly.

**PRAYER: Father, I receive today that I am Abraham's heir through faith in Jesus Christ. Let that identity replace every lie about lack that I have believed. I am blessed to be a blessing, and I receive that fully today.**

**DAILY ACTION: Read Genesis 12:1-3 slowly, replacing Abraham's name with your own name, and receive those words as God's personal covenant with you.**

**DAY: Thursday**

**TITLE: The Tithe Is a Test of Trust**

**KEY VERSE: Malachi 3:10 -- "Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this, says the Lord Almighty, and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it."**

**REFLECTION:** I love this verse because it is the only place in all of scripture where God actually says -- test Me. He is so confident in this principle that He invites your skepticism. The tithe is ten percent -- move the decimal point one place to the left and that number is God's. It is not about the money itself. It is about what the money reveals about your heart. When you hold on to that ten percent, you are essentially telling God, I will handle this myself. When you release it, you are declaring, God, I trust You more than I trust my own ability to manage this. I can tell you from my own life -- I have never known anything but tithing. Whatever I put my hand to has been blessed. Not because I am special, but because I aligned myself with a covenant God established and He is faithful to honor it every single time.

**PRAYER: God, I want to be someone who passes the money test. Help me to trust You with the tithe not out of obligation but out of genuine faith that You are faithful. Open my eyes to see Your blessing as I honor You first.**

**DAILY ACTION: Calculate exactly what ten percent of your last paycheck looks like. Whether you already tithe or are just starting, write that number down and bring it before God in prayer today.**



**DAY: Friday**

**TITLE: Blessed to Be a Blessing**

**KEY VERSE: Genesis 12:2 -- "I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing."**

**REFLECTION:** Here is what I want to leave with you as we close out this week -- God's increase in your life was never meant to stop with you. Every time God told Abraham I will bless you, He finished the sentence with and you will be a blessing. The increase flows through you, not just to you. That is what changes your whole relationship with money. When my wife and I write a check to meet someone's need, there is a joy that money itself cannot buy. I want you to taste that. When you start thinking -- how can I increase so I can lift others -- poverty becomes your enemy because it limits your ability to serve. The servant who buried his mina had nothing to show Jesus when He returned. Do not be that person. This year, make a vow -- I will pursue increase so that through my life, all the families of the earth shall be blessed.

**PRAYER: Jesus, thank You that Your blessing on my life has a purpose beyond me. Let increase flow through me to missionaries, to the hurting, to the lost. Make me a channel of Your abundance, not just a container.**

**DAILY ACTION: Identify one specific person, ministry, or need you can bless financially this week -- even in a small way -- and follow through on it before Sunday.**

## **SESSION 4: Five Keys to Divine Increase - Key 2, Love God's Word (Pastor Mirek Hufton)**

**DAY: Monday**

**TITLE: The Word Is Alive -- And It's Yours**

**KEY VERSE: John 1:4 -- "In Him was life, and the life was the light of men."**

**REFLECTION:** I want you to understand something that changed my life: when you hold your Bible, you are holding Him. Not a collection of ancient advice. Not a religious rulebook. You are holding the living Word of God. Jesus Himself is called the Word -- "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." That means every time you open this book, you are opening a direct line to the source of all life. I think about Mary sitting at Jesus' feet while Martha rushed around. Mary made a choice. She recognized that something greater than daily demands was right in front of her. That same life -- that same Jesus -- is available to you every single morning before the noise begins. You don't have to earn it. You just have to choose it, like Mary did. Choose life today.

**PRAYER: Lord, open my eyes to see that Your Word is not just ink on a page -- it is You. Give me the hunger today to sit at Your feet like Mary. In Jesus' name, Amen.**

**DAILY ACTION: Before you check your phone this morning, open your Bible and read just one psalm. Let the Word come before the world does.**

**DAY: Tuesday**

**TITLE: Your Spirit Needs This Food**

**KEY VERSE: 2 Timothy 3:16 -- "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness."**

**REFLECTION:** I tell people this all the time -- you can come to church for twenty years and still be a spiritual midget if you're not in the Word. That sounds blunt, but I say it because I love you. Here's the truth: your spirit man feeds and develops only through the Word of God. Not through movies. Not through a walk in the park. Not even through a good conversation with a wise friend. Only through the Word. Every single word in this book is God-breathed -- inspired by the Holy Ghost. That means it carries His life in it. When you take it in consistently, something shifts. Your thinking gets washed. Your faith gets fed. Your spirit gets strong. I remember standing on Isaiah 41:10 through years of trial, and those words became steel fortifications on the inside of me. That's what the Word does. It builds you from the inside out.

**PRAYER: Father, I confess I haven't always treated Your Word as the food my spirit desperately needs. Today I choose to feed my spirit first. Make every word come alive in me. Amen.**

**DAILY ACTION: Write one scripture on a sticky note -- something you need right now -- and place it somewhere you'll see it throughout the day. Read it aloud every time you pass it.**

**DAY: Wednesday**

**TITLE: The Word Washes You Clean**

**KEY VERSE: Ephesians 5:26 -- "That He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word."**

**REFLECTION:** I love this picture the Holy Ghost gives us in Ephesians -- the Word as water, washing you clean. Think about what water does. It removes the grime you didn't even notice was building up. That's exactly what the Word does for your mind. Every week the world piles things onto you -- doubt, fear, wrong thinking, other people's opinions, bad news, pressure. If you go two or three weeks without the Word, you get barnacled up. I've seen it happen, and honestly, I've felt it myself. But here's the good news: God doesn't condemn you for the grime. He just wants you to step into the wash. Let the Word rinse off the stinky thinking, the unclean thinking, the fearful thinking. He can clean your mind, and when He cleans your mind, He cleans your life. Come to the washing today. The water is warm and the Word is waiting.

**PRAYER: Jesus, wash my mind today with Your Word. Wherever fear or wrong thinking has crept in, let Your truth rinse it clean. I trust the washing. Amen.**

**DAILY ACTION: Identify one area where your thinking has been negative or fearful this week. Find one scripture that speaks directly to it and read it slowly three times today.**

**DAY: Thursday**

**TITLE: Choose the Better Part**

**KEY VERSE: Luke 10:42 -- "But one thing is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which will**

**not be taken away from her."**

**REFLECTION:** I can see Martha in so many of us -- checklists running, always planning, always producing, always doing. And there's nothing wrong with being productive. But Jesus was in the house, and Martha missed Him. She was too busy serving the moment to sit with the Master. I'm not pointing a finger -- I'm pointing a mirror. How many of us rush past the Word every morning because there's too much to do? I want to be honest with you: if you're too busy to read the Word, you're too busy. That's a pride issue dressed up as a schedule issue. Mary made a deliberate choice. She could have helped Martha. She chose differently. And Jesus said that choice -- sitting at His feet, receiving His Word -- would never be taken from her. I challenge you today to make Mary's choice. Let the dishes wait five minutes. Let the emails wait. Sit at His feet first.

**PRAYER:** Lord, forgive me for the days I've run past You to get things done. Help me to choose the better part -- to sit at Your feet before I step into my day. Amen.

**DAILY ACTION:** Set a five-minute earlier alarm tomorrow morning. Use those five minutes specifically to sit quietly with your Bible before anything else begins. No phone, no news -- just you and the Word.

**DAY:** Friday

**TITLE:** Set Your Heart on These Words -- They Are Your Life

**KEY VERSE:** Deuteronomy 32:46-47 -- "Set your hearts on all the words which I testify among you today... for it is not a futile thing for you, because it is your life."

**REFLECTION:** Moses wrote an entire song about God's faithfulness, and at the very end he looked at the people and said: set your hearts on these words. Not your schedules. Not your ambitions. Not your fears. These words. Because this is not idle talk -- this is your life. I prophesy over you today that 2020 -- or whatever year you're reading this -- can be your year of increase through the Word. Not because of how smart you are or how hard you work, but because you made a decision: I am going to be a person of the Word. I am going to read it, study it, speak it, and let it build a life nothing can shake. I've stood on this Word through trials, through sickness, through impossibilities. It has never failed me. It won't fail you either. Set your heart on it. These words are your life.

**PRAYER:** Father, I set my heart on Your Word today. I declare that it is not background noise in my life -- it is my life. Give me passion, give me hunger, give me revelation. In Jesus' mighty name, Amen.

**DAILY ACTION:** Make a simple weekly Word plan for next week -- choose a specific time each day to read Scripture and write it in your calendar like an appointment you will not cancel.

## **SESSION 5: Five Keys to Divine Increase - Key 1, Love God. (Pastor Mirek Hufton)**

**DAY:** Monday

**TITLE:** The First and Greatest Thing

**KEY VERSE:** Matthew 22:37-38 -- "Jesus said to him, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment.'"

**REFLECTION:** I want to start this week by asking you a simple but searching question -- is God truly first in your life? Not just in your words, but in your actual daily choices? Jesus didn't call loving God one good option among many. He called it the *\*first\** and *\*greatest\** commandment. Those two words carry enormous weight. First means before everything else. Greatest means nothing else comes close. I believe this is the foundational key to divine increase in your life this year. When everything you do flows out of a genuine, passionate love for God -- your giving, your serving, your working, your worshipping -- everything else begins to align. God isn't asking for your performance. He's asking for your heart. Let's begin this week by simply saying, "God, I want to love You more than anything else."

**PRAYER:** Father, I want You to be first -- not just in theory but in every real decision I make today. Forgive me for the times I've pushed You to the edges of my life. Ignite in me a fresh, consuming love for You this week, in Jesus' name. Amen.

**DAILY ACTION:** Write the words "First and Greatest" somewhere visible -- your phone wallpaper, a sticky note on your mirror, or your journal -- as a reminder throughout the day that loving God comes before everything else.

**DAY: Tuesday**

**TITLE: Set Your Mind Above**

**KEY VERSE:** Colossians 3:2 -- "Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth."

**REFLECTION:** I love how direct this verse is -- *\*set your mind\**. That's a deliberate, intentional act. It means you have a choice in what you think about. Your thoughts don't just happen to you; you can take them captive and direct them toward God. I've said it before -- wherever your mind goes, that's where you eventually end up. Dark thoughts lead you into dark places. Heavenly thoughts lift you into a heavenly perspective. When you love God with all your mind, you're actively choosing to focus on His goodness, His promises, and His presence rather than your problems and pressures. This isn't denial -- it's faith. I'm not telling you your challenges aren't real. I'm telling you your God is bigger than all of them. Start choosing intentionally what you dwell on, and watch how your whole outlook begins to shift toward increase and breakthrough.

**PRAYER:** Lord, I choose today to set my mind on You and on the realities of heaven. When distracting or fearful thoughts try to take over, remind me that I have the authority to redirect my thinking toward You. Help me love You with every thought today, in Jesus' name. Amen.

**DAILY ACTION:** Each time a negative or anxious thought enters your mind today, pause, take a breath, and intentionally replace it with one specific truth about God's goodness -- speak it out loud if you can.

**DAY: Wednesday**

**TITLE: Draw Near and He Will Draw Near**

**KEY VERSE:** James 4:8 -- "Draw near to God and He will draw near to you."

**REFLECTION:** This verse is one of the most encouraging promises in all of Scripture, and I want you to really take it in today. God isn't distant. He isn't hard to find. He is actually moving *\*toward\** you right now. But He

responds to your movement in His direction. When you make the choice to draw near -- through prayer, through worship, through reading His Word, through simply acknowledging His presence in your day -- He closes the gap. He meets you where you are. Loving God isn't just a feeling you wait for; it's a pursuit you choose. And here's the beautiful thing: the more you pursue Him, the more you discover just how wonderful, how kind, how faithful He really is. That discovery deepens your love, and deeper love leads to greater increase in every area of your life. So take one step toward Him today.

**PRAYER:** Father, I'm drawing near to You right now, even in the middle of an ordinary day. I don't need a perfect moment or the right words -- I just want more of You. Thank You for the promise that when I move toward You, You move toward me. Amen.

**DAILY ACTION:** Set aside ten intentional minutes today -- no phone, no noise -- and simply sit in God's presence. You can pray, worship quietly, or just tell Him you love Him. Let it be about closeness, not a checklist.

**DAY: Thursday**

**TITLE: Because He's Good**

**KEY VERSE: Psalm 118:29 -- "Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever."**

**REFLECTION:** Why should we love God? I asked myself that question while preparing this message, and the answer kept coming back to the same place -- because He is \*good\*. Not occasionally good. Not good when things go your way. Enduringly, unchangingly, relentlessly good. Every good and perfect gift comes down from the Father of lights, Scripture says. No sickness comes from heaven. No poverty comes from heaven. No depression comes from heaven. That's not His nature. His nature is goodness, mercy, and overwhelming love toward you. And I want to remind you today that the same God who holds the mountains in a scale and measures the heavens with the span of His hand -- that God knows your name, knows your need, and is actively working on your behalf. When you truly grasp the goodness of God, loving Him doesn't become an obligation anymore. It becomes the most natural response in the world.

**PRAYER:** Lord, I thank You today because You are simply, undeniably good. Help me to see Your goodness clearly -- in the big miracles and in the quiet, ordinary moments of my day. Let gratitude and love for You rise up in me afresh. Amen.

**DAILY ACTION:** Make a list of five specific ways God has been good to you -- not generic blessings, but personal, specific moments. Keep the list somewhere you'll see it, and let it fuel your love and worship today.

**DAY: Friday**

**TITLE: Pedal to the Metal Love**

**KEY VERSE: Mark 12:30 -- "And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength."**

REFLECTION: I told my congregation about riding in a Viper with 800 horsepower -- and when that thing launched, it was pedal to the metal. Nothing held back. That's exactly the picture God paints when He describes the love He's looking for from us. All your heart. All your soul. All your mind. All your strength. When you put those four words together -- \*all, all, all, all\* -- there's nothing left over. That's a consuming, wholehearted, radical love. And I believe this is the first key that unlocks everything God has for you in this season. Not a polite, distant respect for God, but an all-in, passionate pursuit of Him. As we close out this week, I want to challenge you to reflect on which of these four areas -- heart, soul, mind, or strength -- needs the most surrender right now. Bring that area to God today. He's not looking for perfection. He's looking for passion.

**PRAYER:** Father, I want to love You with everything -- not halfway, not when it's convenient, but with every part of who I am. Show me where I've been holding back, and by Your grace, help me go all in this year. I love You, Lord. Amen.

**DAILY ACTION:** Identify one specific area -- heart, soul, mind, or strength -- where your love for God has grown cold or distracted. Write a one-sentence commitment about how you will intentionally re-engage that area starting today, and share it with one trusted friend or your small group.