

# 6-Day Devotional

## The Sovereignty of God and the Unity of the Body of Christ

Based on a message by Pastor Singleton

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### Day 1 — Who Is Your King?

**Key Scripture:** Revelation 19:16; Psalm 24:1

**Devotional Reflection:**

One of the first questions Pastor Singleton raises is simple, but deeply personal: **Who is your king?** It is one thing to say that God is King of kings and Lord of lords, but it is another thing to actually live under His rule. Too often, we act like servants who moved into the King's house and then started trying to run it. We want God to bless our plans, approve our decisions, and support our preferences, while resisting His authority over His own domain.

A king is a sovereign ruler. God is not a symbolic king, nor is He limited like earthly rulers. He is omnipresent, omnipotent, and omniscient. He is everywhere, all-powerful, and all-knowing. Nothing in our lives is hidden from Him, even when we attempt to shut Him out of certain rooms of our hearts. Yet many believers live as if God rules “in general,” but not in the details of their thinking, relationships, habits, and priorities.

The first step in Kingdom living is not asking God to join your life. It is recognizing that **you are already living in His world, under His authority, and accountable to His rule.**

**Reflection Questions:**

1. In what area of my life am I still acting like I am the boss instead of God?
2. What “room” in my heart have I tried to keep locked from God?
3. Do my daily decisions reflect surrender to God's rule, or just acknowledgment of His existence?
4. If God truly owns everything, how should that change the way I think about my time, body, family, and money?

**Prayer Focus:**

Lord, help me stop trying to control what already belongs to You. Teach me to live fully under Your rule.

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## Day 2 — The Covenant Was Bought With Blood

**Key Scripture:** Luke 22:20; Hebrews 9:14–15

### **Devotional Reflection:**

Pastor Singleton reminds us that a true king has a covenant with his people, and our covenant with God was established through the blood of Jesus Christ. This was not a casual agreement. It was not symbolic sentiment. It cost Christ His life.

God did not establish a covenant with us because we were faithful. He established it knowing we would fail repeatedly. Yet in love, Christ came down, walked among us, was rejected, mocked, beaten, and crucified to make relationship with God possible. That means our place in the Kingdom is not based on our worthiness, but on His sacrifice.

When we forget the cost of covenant, we start treating God casually. We start looking to social media, public opinion, influencers, and popular personalities for direction instead of trusting the One who shed His blood for us. Covenant means I do not belong to myself anymore. I trust Him for direction, wisdom, and guidance because He purchased my life at the highest cost imaginable.

### **Reflection Questions:**

1. Have I been treating my relationship with Christ as convenience instead of covenant?
2. Where have I sought guidance from the wrong voices instead of from God's Word?
3. How does remembering the cost of Christ's blood challenge my casual patterns?
4. What would it look like for me to honor the covenant more seriously this week?

### **Prayer Focus:**

Jesus, thank You for establishing covenant with me through Your blood. Help me live like someone who belongs to You.

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## Day 3 — We Need the Body

**Key Scripture:** Ephesians 4:11–13; Romans 12:4–5

### **Devotional Reflection:**

Pastor Singleton emphasizes that **we individually cannot achieve God's Kingdom agenda alone**. God gave gifts to the church, apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, teachers, and many other functions in the body, because no one believer is sufficient by themselves. God did not design isolated Christianity. He designed a body.

Each believer is a tool in God's hand, and every tool has a purpose. Some encourage, some teach, some lead, some serve, some give, some show mercy. Problems arise when we compare,

compete, withdraw, or assume that we are no longer useful. But in God's Kingdom, maturity does not mean retirement from responsibility. It means deeper usefulness.

The body grows when each member functions in alignment with Christ. It weakens when people disconnect, operate in pride, or assume that their gift is optional. God's work requires the whole body.

**Reflection Questions:**

1. Have I been trying to walk with Christ independently instead of faithfully within the body?
2. What gift or responsibility have I been neglecting?
3. Do I celebrate the gifts of others, or compare myself to them?
4. How is God calling me to contribute more intentionally to the health of the body?

**Prayer Focus:**

Father, help me value the body of Christ rightly. Show me how to serve faithfully with the gifts You have given me.

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## Day 4 — The Mind Must Be Renewed

**Key Scripture:** Romans 12:1–2

**Devotional Reflection:**

Pastor Singleton uses the image of a car being out of alignment. Over time, the driver gets used to holding the wheel a certain way and no longer notices the problem. But someone else gets in the car and immediately feels that something is wrong. That is what happens spiritually. We can become so used to distorted thinking, unhealthy habits, emotional reactions, and sinful patterns that we no longer recognize how far out of alignment we are.

That is why Scripture says we must be transformed by the renewing of our minds. We cannot align ourselves with Christ if we keep thinking like the world. And that renewal does not come from casual exposure to the Bible. It comes through prayerful, thoughtful engagement with God's Word so that our minds are reshaped by truth.

If the mind is not renewed, then the life stays misaligned. And a misaligned life causes damage, not only to the person living it, but to others around them as well.

**Reflection Questions:**

1. What have I grown accustomed to that may actually be spiritual misalignment?
2. Where do I react defensively when someone points out a problem in me?
3. Am I reading Scripture just to "get through it," or to be transformed by it?
4. What thought pattern in me needs to be brought back into alignment with Christ?

**Prayer Focus:**

Lord, renew my mind. Show me where I have adjusted to being out of line, and bring me back into alignment with You.

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## Day 5 — Truth, Love, and Maturity

**Key Scripture:** Ephesians 4:14–16

**Devotional Reflection:**

One result of unity in the body is maturity. Pastor Singleton points out that without maturity, believers remain like infants, tossed back and forth by every teaching, trend, platform, and opinion. A spiritually immature person is easily influenced because they do not know the truth well enough to recognize error.

Counterfeit detection works by knowing the real thing. In the same way, believers must know God's truth well enough to recognize falsehood when it comes. When God's truth shapes us, then we can speak the truth in love, grow up into Christ, and function as a healthy body.

But maturity is not just doctrinal accuracy. It is also relational honesty. We need enough love to tell the truth, and enough humility to receive it. Some people only want affirmation. Others only offer correction. But Christ grows a body where truth and love work together.

**Reflection Questions:**

1. Am I spiritually mature enough to recognize false teaching when I hear it?
2. Do I receive loving correction, or do I become defensive?
3. Am I more shaped by God's truth, or by whatever content I consume most often?
4. Where do I need to grow up spiritually instead of remaining emotionally reactive?

**Prayer Focus:**

God, ground me in truth and soften me with love. Help me grow into maturity in Christ.

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## Day 6 — Protect the Unity of the Body

**Key Scripture:** Psalm 133:1; John 13:34–35; Galatians 5:22–26

**Devotional Reflection:**

Pastor Singleton closes with the call to unity. Unity is not sameness, and it is not pretending problems do not exist. Unity is believers coming together in love, faith, and purpose under Jesus Christ, honoring different gifts while functioning as one spiritual family.

What destroys unity? Pride, gossip, jealousy, competition, division, unforgiveness. These things poison the body. What strengthens unity? Love, prayer, service, humility, forgiveness, and keeping Christ at the center. Unity matters because it reveals Christ to the world, strengthens believers, creates peace, and allows the church to function effectively.

The fruit of the Spirit is singular because it is one life shaped by one Spirit. Where the Spirit rules, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control appear together. Where the flesh rules, division follows. The health of the body depends on which one we are feeding.

**Reflection Questions:**

1. Is there any pride, resentment, jealousy, or unforgiveness in me that is damaging unity?
2. Have I contributed more to peace in the body, or to tension?
3. Do I pray for other believers and leaders consistently, or only critique them?
4. What is one practical step I can take this week to strengthen unity in the body of Christ?

**Prayer Focus:**

Lord, make me a builder of unity, not a source of division. Fill me with the fruit of Your Spirit so that my life strengthens Your body.