DEVOTIONS

Think about devotions as a continuation of our community's worship. The following basic pattern could be one way of forming your household's devotions. Adapt as necessary!

GATHERING

- Light a candle to help you focus this time as "God time."
- **Prayer of the Week**
  God, give us ears to hear you. Help us to hear the cries of your people: those who are hungry, those who are thirsty, those who are tired, those who are sick, those who are trapped. Give us strength to listen and act. Amen.

CARING CONVERSATION

Take a moment to check in with each other or to use the questions below.

- **Highs and Lows:** What is something that made your heart happy today? What is something that made your heart sad?
- **Thinking about This Week's Story:** On the mountain, the voice of God told the disciples to listen to Jesus. Who did you listen to today? Who did you ignore?
- **Getting Ready for Next Week's Story:** Jesus tells the Parable of the Good Samaritan and visits with Mary and Martha, two beloved friends. Both stories share the spirit of helping others. What did you do to help others today?

DAILY BIBLE READING

Read aloud from the DAILY BIBLE READING from the front. What do you want to remember from this reading?

PRAY TOGETHER

- Do a High and Low Prayer. Split your family in two, if possible: one group write prayers using everyone's highs and the other group use the lows. Once done, say the prayers out loud together.

CLOSING

- If you used a candle, extinguish it as a sign of the end of the devotion time.
- **Rituals & Traditions: A Blessing to Share**
  With permission, mark the sign of the cross on each other's ears and say, **"Listen for God's voice today. Amen."**

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MARCH 2, 2025 **Luke 9:28-45**



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SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THE WEEK

Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!"
– Luke 9:35

MEALTIME PRAYER

Help us to listen to your word, dear God. Open our ears to hear and our eyes to see all that is good in front of us. Feed our souls with your tender care and feed our hearts with your love so we can share you with people everywhere. Amen.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Listen as you read: ***What do you hear God saying in each of these stories?***

Sunday	Luke 9:28-45	The Transfiguration
Monday	Isaiah 55:1-3	An Invitation to Abundant Life
Tuesday	Luke 9:46-50	True Greatness
Wednesday	Luke 9:51-62	Jesus Sets His Face Towards Jerusalem
Thursday	Luke 10:1-12	The Mission of the Seventy
Friday	Luke 10:17-20	The Return of the Seventy
Saturday	Luke 10:21-24	Jesus Rejoices
Sunday	Luke 10:25-42	The Samaritan, Martha and Mary

If your household includes younger children, use a child-friendly Bible. You might find that the children's Bible you are using may not include the very story assigned for the DAILY BIBLE READINGS. ***Read to your kids anyway. Just pick a story!***

SERVICE CHALLENGE

SERVICE is how we enact God's great love for the entire world.

Practice listening to each person in your family this week. Write down what you hear and use those concerns and joys as your daily prayers.

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