

## SHARING GOD'S STORY @ HOME

### SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THE WEEK

The Lord raises up the poor from the dust; he lifts the needy from the ash heap, to make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honor.

- 1 Samuel 2:8

### MEALTIME PRAYER

Holy God, we thank you for home, family, and friends. May your love be with us as we break bread in Jesus' name Amen.

### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Something to consider as you read: *What do we learn about God in these stories?*

Sunday	Read/Reflect/Relax
Monday	Ephesians 4-6; Proverbs 26:1-16
Tuesday	1 Samuel 1-3; Proverbs 26:17-28
Wednesday	1 Samuel 4-6; Proverbs 27:1-14
Thursday	1 Samuel 7-9; Proverbs 27:15-27
Friday	1 Samuel 10-12; Proverbs 28:1-14
Saturday	1 Samuel 13-15; Proverbs 28:15-28

*If your household includes younger children, use a child-friendly bible. Sometimes children's bibles won't contain the assigned story for that day. That's okay! Choose something else and read it to your children!*

### SERVICE CHALLENGE

It's still Easter! Continue to celebrate and give thanks for Christ's resurrection and conquering death through prayer, service, and fellowship.

## **DEVOTIONS**

*Devotions are an extension and continuation of our worship life together. The following is a basic pattern for a family or individual devotion time.*

### **GATHERING**

*Light a candle to help you focus this time as sacred.*

### **PRAYER OF THE WEEK**

O God, make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found. Amen.

### **PROCLAIMING**

*Read aloud the assigned Daily Bible Reading from the front.*

### **RESPONDING**

### **CARING CONVERSATION**

**Highs & Lows:** Name one thing that went well today. Name one thing that did not go well today.

**Thinking About Today's Story:** What does this story say about God? What does this story ask me to do? What does this story say to my Highs & Lows?

**Getting Ready for Tomorrow:** Name one thing you are concerned about and for which you want prayer. Name one thing that excites you. Pray for one another!

### **SENDING**

*Extinguish the candle as a sign of the end of the devotion time.*

### **A BLESSING TO SHARE**

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen, indeed!

Alleluia!

Amen!