

## SHARING GOD'S STORY @ HOME

### SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THE WEEK

Then he returned to the disciples and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and resting?"  
- Matthew 26:45a

### MEALTIME PRAYER

Give us grateful hearts, O God, for all your mercies, and make us mindful of the needs of others; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Something to consider as you read: **What do we learn about being a disciple in these verses?**

Monday	Matthew 26:26-30
Tuesday	Matthew 26:31-35
Wednesday	Matthew 26:36-46
Thursday	Matthew 26:47-56
Friday	Matthew 26:57-68
Saturday	Matthew 26:69-75
Sunday	Read/Reflect/Rest

*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!*

### FAITH @ HOME ACTIVITIES

Jesus returns to his disciples. He is in anguish, but they are sleeping. This moment shows the fragility and weakness of the disciples. During a moment when Jesus needed them to pray with him, they were unable to stay awake. This verse is a call for us to stay diligent. We are in the midst of twenty-one days of learning about race and racism. I know the work is hard, but stay diligent! Stay awake!

### 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**

*Read the prayer in the phrases provided.  
Pause after each phrase and let your child(ren) repeat the phrase.  
Through this practice, you're teaching them to pray.*

Jesus,/ be present with us/ and make yourself/ known to us./ 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**

Let us live as those who are dead to sin  
and alive to God in Jesus Christ.  
Amen!