

SHARING GOD'S STORY @ HOME

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THE WEEK

And [Jesus] said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people."
- Matthew 4:19

MEALTIME PRAYER

Thank you, God, for this food, for the land that gave it, and the farmers who grew it. Amen.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Monday	Matthew 3:1-12
Tuesday	Matthew 3:13-17
Wednesday	Matthew 4:1-11
Thursday	Matthew 4:12-17
Friday	Matthew 4:18-22
Saturday	Matthew 4:23-25
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

Here are some questions to help you reflect back on your own life and how you came to learn about race and racism. Use these reflections as stories to help teach your children. What did your parent(s) or grandparent(s) tell you about race and racism? Anything? When was the first time you realized you were white and that meant something? What relationships did you have with people different from you or people of color when you were younger and what were those relationships like?

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!