

God's Story Our Story

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5 simple steps to help bring your household closer to God and each other



SHARE
your highs and lows

Light a candle to help you focus this time as "God time." **Share your highs and lows of the week**



READ
a Bible verse or story

A verse for the week: And he answered them, "Go and tell John what you have seen and heard: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me." Luke 7:22-23

If your household includes younger children you may want to use a children's Bible story book. If the assigned reading is not in your storybook, just choose another.

Sunday: *More than a Prophet*, Luke 7:18-35
Monday: *Jairus' Plea*, Luke 8:40-42
Tuesday: *A Woman Restored*, Luke 8:43-48
Wednesday: *Jairus' Daughter Healed*, Luke 49-56
Thursday: *Jesus Sends Out Disciples*, Luke 9:1-6
Friday: *Herod Hears of Jesus' Healings*, Luke 9:7-9
Saturday: *Feeding of Multitude* Luke 9:10-17

Talk about how the Bible reading might relate to your highs and lows. More discussion questions are on the back side.



TALK

about how the Bible reading might relate to your highs and lows

A prayer for the week:

Lord, you have created us to be in community with each other. No matter how different we are, your healing power can draw us together. Help us to continue the work of reaching out to people who need to hear your Good News. Amen.

Make the sign of the cross on a hand,
"Go in peace and serve the Lord"



PRAY

for one another's highs and lows



BLESS

one another

More resources for being the church at home this week

Jesus and John were two cousins with a common purpose: not only in proclaiming, but also in acting to bring about the kingdom of God. They may suffer insults and opposition from the authorities, but that's not enough to stop these two persistent prophets.

A meal time prayer:

God of Life, You bless everyone who seeks your abundance and grace. Bless this food we about to receive to the nourishment of our bodies. Bless us to the daily work of sharing your Good News with those we meet. Amen.

More questions for conversation:

1. Jesus sent word back to John the Baptist that he was tending to the blind, sick, poor, and even raising the dead! In fact, Jesus was doing exactly what he had set out to do. What do you want to do with you life? Do you live a life of service to others? Are you doing what you have set out to do?
2. Describe a favorite relationship you have with someone you love. Describe a relationship you have with someone that is challenging for you to love. What similarities and differences do you notice between the two?

Ideas for putting faith in action:

By acting on what we learn we make God's word come alive.

Call someone on the phone who is sick or lonely and share some Good News with them.

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