

God's Story Our Story

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Devotion: Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions. You can do this alone or with others; in the morning, during the day, or at night. Find a routine that works best for you.

Pray: Light a candle and open your devotion time with a prayer.

Transfigured Lord,

You have transformed all things through the vision of an earth restored. Make us willing participants in your work to reconcile all things again to you, in Jesus' holy name, Amen.

Reflect: Reflect on the key verses from Sunday's reading.

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Luke 9:28-29

Study: Study the reading and consider the background.

Life with Jesus may be confusing at times, but never boring. Peter and friends have witnessed Jesus transfigured with ancient prophets, and triumphing over a malicious demon, all in the space of two days. But what are they to make of it all?

Consider: Consider this theme for the week's text.

Jesus can reveal himself to us in ways we can't yet understand, but maybe one day we will.

Read: Read the following daily readings to deepen your understanding of Sunday's text. After the reading, ask the follow-up questions.

Sunday: *Transfiguration*, Luke 9:28-45

Monday: *Who Is Greatest*, Luke 9:46-48

Tuesday: *Whoever Is Not Against You Is For You*, Luke 9:49-50

Wednesday: *The Challenge of Following (Ash Wednesday)*, Luke 9:51-62

Thursday: *Mission of the Seventy*, Luke 10:1-12

Friday: *Woes to Unrepentant Cities*, Luke 10:13-16

Saturday: *Seventy Return and Jesus Rejoices*, Luke 10:17-24

How does Jesus describe greatness?

Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household. Discuss the following questions, or simply check in with "Higs" and "Lows."

What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?

Who are your community's greatest leaders, past or present? How have they shaped your community? How might you become a leader in your community today?

How has God revealed truths about Jesus to you? (Scripture, people, worship, media?) How might you be intentional about giving time to those things that reveal Jesus to you this week?

Do: By acting on what we learn we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Add light to your home. Here are some ideas. Light candles that you have only used for decoration. Put "fairy lights" in a mason jar. Hang a string of outdoor lights across your living room. Fall asleep with a soft, flickering LED candle in your bedroom. Enjoy the light.

Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

Notice and be warmed by the light of Christ. Amen.