

DEVOTIONS

Think about devotions is as a continuation of our community's worship. The following basic pattern could be one way of forming your household's devotions. Adapt as necessary!

GATHERING

✠ Light a candle to help you focus this time as "God time."

✠ Prayer of the Week

Victorious Lord, you died on a cross, were placed in the tomb, and on the third day you rose again to new life. You promise us that through faith in you, we have received everlasting life. Be with us from beginning to end so that we may see your glory face to face. Amen.

CARING CONVERSATION

Take a moment to check in with each other or to use the questions below.

- ❓ **Highs & Lows:** Name one victory from today, something that made you feel proud. Name one thing that made you feel defeated.
- ❓ **Thinking About This Week's Story:** Paul writes to the church of Corinth to encourage them in their faith. What did you see today that was encouraging? Who encouraged you?
- ❓ **Getting Ready for Next Week's Story:** God gives each person special gifts to use in life. What is your gift? Playing an instrument? Being kind? Dancing? Giving out hugs? How did you use one of your gifts today?

DAILY BIBLE READING

Read aloud from the DAILY BIBLE READING from the front. What do you want to remember from this reading?

PRAY TOGETHER

✠ Pray the Lord's Prayer together. If you do not have the words, you can easily find them online.

CLOSING

✠ If you used a candle, extinguish it as a sign of the end of the devotion time.

✠ Rituals & Traditions: A Blessing to Share

Mark one another with the sign of the cross on each other's hands or forehead, and say, "You have been saved by the love of Jesus Christ. Go and share your love with others today. Amen."

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1 Corinthians 15:1-26, 51-57



Sharing GOD'S STORY @ home

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THE WEEK

But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.
- 1 Corinthians 15:57

MEALTIME PRAYER

From the beginning you loved us, God. You give us food to eat, water to drink, and your Son, Jesus Christ, who saves us all. For all this, we thank you. Amen.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

As you read the stories for the week, ask yourself: What is the main idea of each reading?

Sunday	1 Corinthians 15:51-57	Death, the Last Enemy
Monday	1 Corinthians 16:1-9	Collection for the Saints
Tuesday	1 Corinthians 16:10-14	Timothy and Apollos
Wednesday	1 Corinthians 16:15-24	Final Greetings
Thursday	2 Corinthians 1:3-7	A Prayer of Blessing
Friday	2 Corinthians 1:8-14	The Travails of Paul
Saturday	Acts 2:1-4	Pentecost
Sunday	1 Corinthians 12:1-13	Many Gifts, One Spirit

If your household includes younger children, use a child-friendly Bible. You might find that the children's Bible you are using may not include the very story assigned for the DAILY BIBLE READINGS. Read to your kids anyway. Just pick a story!

SERVICE CHALLENGE

SERVICE is how we enact God's great love for the entire world.

As a household, choose a local middle school or high school spring sports team. Attend one game and cheer them to victory.