

Friday / April 15

Set Free

**Scripture:** Read Luke 23:32-43

*People will come from east and west and north and south, and will take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God. –Luke 13:29*

**Reflections:**

What word, phrase or image caught my attention? \_\_\_\_\_

What does this passage teach me about God? \_\_\_\_\_

What difference will this make in my life? \_\_\_\_\_

**Prayer:** God of forgiveness and understanding, help us be watchful for unaccepted people and show them kindness. Amen

Prayer Focus: Those recently released from prison

Saturday / April 16

Aging Gracefully

**Scripture:** Read Psalm 71:13-19

*The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve. -Mark 10:45*

**Reflections:**

What word, phrase or image caught my attention? \_\_\_\_\_

What does this passage teach me about God? \_\_\_\_\_

What difference will this make in my life? \_\_\_\_\_

**Prayer:** Dear Father, we thank you for the gift of life, both physical and eternal. Help us to serve you by serving others. Amen.

Prayer Focus: Those facing the challenges of aging

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# LENTEN

## DEVOTIONAL



Sunday/ April 10

5th Sunday in Lent

**Sermon:** *The Gospel of Life* Rev. Albert Shuler

**Scripture:** Ezekial 37: 1-14 John 11: 1-45

Sermon Notes:

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Encourage one another and build up each other.

**Prayer:** Dear Lord, thank you for accepting each one of us as your own. Help us to realize how much you love us. Help us to stop striving for approval and to find our true worth in you. Amen.

Prayer Focus: God accepts me and declares me beloved.

Monday / April 11 *Temples & Baseball Stadiums*

**Scripture:** Read Isaiah 6:1-8

*Holy, holy, holy! The Lord Almighty is holy! His glory fills the world.* -Isaiah 6:3

**Reflections:**

What word, phrase or image caught my attention? \_\_\_\_\_

What does this passage teach me about God? \_\_\_\_\_

What difference will this make in my life? \_\_\_\_\_

**Prayer:** Almighty God, how grateful we are that you love us so much that we can find our home in your presence. Here we are; send us to speak and live your truth to the world. Amen.

Prayer Focus: My worship service this week

Wednesday / April 13 *Highly Favored*

**Scripture:** Read Luke 1:26-38

*The angel went to [Mary] and said, "Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you."* -Luke 1:28

**Reflections:**

What word, phrase or image caught my attention? \_\_\_\_\_

What does this passage teach me about God? \_\_\_\_\_

What difference will this make in my life? \_\_\_\_\_

**Prayer:** Dear God, thank you for showing us in Mary what really matters to you. Help us to seek you above all others. Amen.

Prayer Focus: Single adults

Tuesday / April 12 *Maps*

**Scripture:** Read Proverbs 3:5-6

*In all your ways acknowledge [the Lord], and he will make your paths straight.* -Proverbs 3:6

**Reflections:**

What word, phrase or image caught my attention? \_\_\_\_\_

What does this passage teach me about God? \_\_\_\_\_

What difference will this make in my life? \_\_\_\_\_

**Prayer:** Dear Lord, help us remember to acknowledge your ways so that we stay on your path. Amen.

Prayer Focus: Travelers

Thursday / April 14 *Waiting For Wrens*

**Scripture:** Read Lamentations 3:22-26

*The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases...The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him..* -Lamentations 3:22, 25

**Reflections:**

What word, phrase or image caught my attention? \_\_\_\_\_

What does this passage teach me about God? \_\_\_\_\_

What difference will this make in my life? \_\_\_\_\_

**Prayer:** Dear God of patience, thank you for your constant love, that you are always waiting for us—even when we fail to see you or to acknowledge you. Amen.

Prayer Focus: Those who are seeking God