

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

Gracious God, we thank you and praise you for your unwavering faithfulness to us, even when we turn away. Continue to call us through your word so that each and every day, we may find new life and new hope in you. Amen.

CARING CONVERSATION

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

- ❓ **Highs & Lows:** What is one thing you did well today? What is one thing that seemed to unravel and did not go well?
- ❓ **Thinking About This Week's Story:** During a massive clean up of the temple, someone finds an old scroll with God's law written on it. The people had forgotten about God's story! Make time each day this week to read from the Bible. When you do, pay attention to one new thing you learned and share it with someone.
- ❓ **Getting Ready for Next Week's Story:** Even now as winter begins to set in, God still creates new things. What is one living thing you saw today that was new? A baby? A flower? A baptism? A birthday?

DAILY BIBLE READING

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

PRAY TOGETHER

✠ Practice silent prayer. Set a time for one minute, and everyone prays silently to themselves. At the end of one minute, say "Amen" together.

CLOSING

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

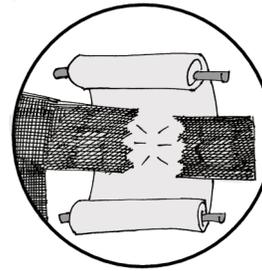
✠ Rituals & Traditions: A Blessing to Share

Mark one another with the sign of the cross on each other's hands or forehead, and say, "**God has made an everlasting covenant with you. Go and share the good news of God's love with others.**"

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2 Kings 22:1-10, [11-20]; 23:1-3



Sharing GOD'S STORY @ home

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THE WEEK

[Josiah] did what was right in the sight of the LORD, and walked in all the ways of his father David; he did not turn aside to the right or to the left.

- 2 Kings 22:2

MEALTIME PRAYER

From your story, dear God, we learn about your love for us. Thank you for your word, and thank you for this food. May both continue to strengthen us everyday. Amen.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

*As you read the stories for the week, ask yourself: **Who are the people in the story? Why do you think their stories were recorded?***

Sunday	2 Kings 22:1-10	Josiah Finds the Scroll
Monday	2 Kings 22:11-20	Huldah the Prophetess
Tuesday	2 Kings 23:1-3	A Renewed Covenant
Wednesday	2 Kings 23:4-6	Cleaning Out the Temple
Thursday	2 Kings 23:21-25	The Passover Reinstated
Friday	2 Kings 25:1-7	The City Falls
Saturday	2 Kings 25:8-17	The Temple is Destroyed
Sunday	Jeremiah 33:14-18	A Righteous Branch from David

*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.

Go through the paper stacks in your home, and decide what paper can be reused or recycled.