

## DEVOTIONS

Think about devotions 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, grant us this week your living water. May we approach each day with joy and thanksgiving, showing people the life that comes from you. Amen.

### CARING CONVERSATION

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

- ❓ **Highs & Lows:** Who have you encountered today that gave you joy? What happened today that made you sad, frustrated, or worried?
- ❓ **Thinking about This Week's Story:** In this week's story, the Samaritan woman encountered Jesus and her life would never be the same. Who have you encountered today? How did that encounter change your day, even a little bit?
- ❓ **Getting Ready for Next Week's Story:** In next week's story, Jesus heals two people just by speaking—one from a long, long way away! What are some healing words you have heard or spoken today? What are some harmful words?

### DAILY BIBLE READING

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

### PRAY TOGETHER

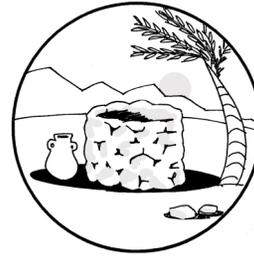
✠ Go around the circle and say to one another: God loves you with an everlasting love, \_\_\_\_\_ [name].

### CLOSING

- ✠ If you used a candle, extinguish it as a sign of the end of the devotion time.
- ✠ **Rituals & Traditions: A Blessing to Share**  
With permission, mark one another with the sign of the cross each other's hands or forehead with water, and say, "May your life overflow with living water."

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John 4:1-42



# Sharing GOD'S STORY @ home

### SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THE WEEK

"Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?"

—John 4:29

### MEALTIME PRAYER

Blessings and honor to you who have the whole world in your hands. We give you thanks and praise for bringing us together on this day. Amen.

### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

*Filling in the gaps. A question to ask as you read: The people heard from Jesus and even saw miracles, yet they still didn't believe. How has Jesus shown himself to you in your life that made your faith even stronger?*

Sunday	John 4:1-26	The Woman at the Well
Monday	John 4:27-42	Many Come to Believe
Tuesday	Luke 15:1-7	The Parable of the Lost Sheep
Wednesday	Luke 15:8-10	The Parable of the Lost Coin
Thursday	Luke 15:11-32	The Parable of the Lost Son
Friday	Luke 16:1-13	The Parable of the Shrewd Manager
Saturday	John 4:43-45	Jesus Returns to Galilee
Sunday	John 4:46-54	Healing Miracles

*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.*

Continue to honor the sick and shut-in members this month, by offering to run two errands for them this week.