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**
  Forgiving God, just like Peter, we are sometimes not faithful. Just like Peter, we sometimes struggle to follow you. Just like Peter, we sometimes hide ourselves from you. Help us each day, God, to be faithful to you. Amen.

CARING CONVERSATION

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

- **Highs & Lows:** Name one thing that made you feel warm and happy today. Name one thing that made you feel cold and mean today.
- **Thinking about This Week's Story:** Peter denies being a follower of Jesus because he was scared what might happen to him. Did you feel scared or nervous today? What happened?
- **Getting Ready for Next Week's Story:** Jesus explains to Pilate that his kingdom is not from this world, but Pilate misunderstands. What is a time when you misunderstood someone or something?

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 in a circle and pray for the person on your right. At the end of the prayer tell that person that God loves them.

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, do a group hug and say, **"Go and share God's love with the world. Amen."**

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MARCH 20, 2022 **John 18:12-27**

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SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THE WEEK

Again Peter denied it, and at that moment the cock crowed.

—John 18:27

MEALTIME PRAYER

From the breakfast table to the dinner table, be with us, O God. From when we leave to when we return, be with us, O God. From the time we rise to the time we sleep, be with us, O God. Amen.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

A couple of questions to ask as you read: ***What challenges do you see in each of these stories? How do they impact us as we follow Jesus?***

Sunday	John 18:12-27	Peter Denies Jesus
Monday	Psalm 27:1-14	Wait for the Lord
Tuesday	Isaiah 45:14-19	Israel Is Saved by God
Wednesday	John 14:9b-12	Jesus Is Going to the Father
Thursday	John 14:13-17	Jesus Will Send the Spirit
Friday	John 14:18-21	Jesus' Promise to the Disciples
Saturday	John 14:23-29	My Peace I Leave with You
Sunday	John 18:28-40	Jesus Before Pilate

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.

Make a commitment to eating dinner together as a household this week. While eating, discuss what it means to follow Jesus.

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