

# DAILY PRAYER GUIDE

SMALL GROUP GUIDE & PRAYER JOURNAL



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# HOW THE DPG WORKS

It can take just a few minutes, or you can spend an hour. Set aside a bit of your time for God. Every day, find a quiet spot—even if it's in your car before work or in bed before you close your eyes. Open this up and pray through the steps given for each day. Follow the easy instructions and focus as you read and pray.

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There are guided steps to help you focus in prayer every day.

### ***WORD***

A daily glimpse of God's heart for us is included along with the guide.

### ***JOURNAL***

We provide space for you to reflect however you choose.

### ***SABBATH DAYS***

We've provided an opportunity each week to reset and recenter your life around God.

### ***CHECK INS***

Every few weeks, we want to hear from you. Your story and journey may just inspire others!

# A SIMPLE METHOD FOR HEARING GOD

Here are 6 simple steps to use as you're reading the Bible. Take your time and spend a few minutes on each step as you hear from God.

**RELAX** - Find a calm place and take a few deep breaths. Focus your mind on listening for God's voice.

**READ** - Read the word of God. It can be just a few verses or maybe an entire chapter.

**REFLECT** - Center your attention on the verses and ask God to highlight parts of the Scripture to you.

**RESPOND** - Write down or think about what the verses bring to mind and how they move you.

**REST** - Let your mind flow over the truth and goodness of God's word.

**RESOLVE** - With joy and reverence, choose to follow what God is saying through His Scripture.

This is something you can practice every time you make room to hear God. His desire is to speak to us every day and through the Bible. These steps can help you to focus on his voice.

**JANUARY**

01.01.21 :: FRIDAY

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*“I confess that I have sinned against you. Have mercy on me, a sinner. Cleanse and forgive me. May I delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of Your Name.”*

**As Told by Mark** • As John the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus, how might you prepare the way for him in your own heart?

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Psalms 103:1-5*

*Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and all that is within me,  
bless his holy name!  
Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and forget not all his benefits,  
who forgives all your iniquity,  
who heals all your diseases,  
who redeems your life from the pit,  
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,  
who satisfies you with good  
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.*

*Colossians 2:6-12*

*Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, having been buried with him in baptism in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead.*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today's reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalms 103      Psalms 148      Genesis 17:1-12a  
Genesis 17:15-16      Colossians 2:6-12      John 16:23b-30*

01.02.21 :: SATURDAY

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**As Told by Mark** • In the story of Jesus’ baptism and subsequent temptation, what resonates with your own journey of faith?

**God’s Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Psalm 34:8-10*

*Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good!  
Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!  
Oh, fear the Lord, you his saints,  
for those who fear him have no lack!  
The young lions suffer want and hunger;  
but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.*

*Hebrews 11:1-5*

*Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. For by it the people of old received their commendation. By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.*

*By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God.*

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*Psalm 34      Psalm 33      Genesis 12:1-7*

*Hebrews 11:1-12      John 6:25-42      John 6:48-51*

## 01.03.21 :: SUNDAY

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**As Told by Mark** • As Jesus announces the good news – consider what it means that the kingdom of God has come near...

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*1 John 2:12-17*

*I am writing to you, little children,  
because your sins are forgiven for his name's sake.*

*I am writing to you, fathers,  
because you know him who is from the beginning.*

*I am writing to you, young men,  
because you have overcome the evil one.*

*I write to you, children,  
because you know the Father.*

*I write to you, fathers,  
because you know him who is from the beginning.*

*I write to you, young men,  
because you are strong,  
and the word of God abides in you,  
and you have overcome the evil one.*

*Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world – the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and the pride of life – is not from the Father but is from the world. And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever.*

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*Psalms 66      Psalm 67      Psalm 145*

*1 John 2:12-17      John 6:41-47*



01.04.21 :: MONDAY

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**As Told by Mark** • Jesus’ act of calling his first disciples forever altered this world. Remember His call on your own life today.

**God’s Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*John 14:6-14*

*Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”*

*Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father in in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves.*

*“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father. Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.*

*Exodus 3:7-8a*

*Then the Lord said, “I have sure seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey...”*

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*Psalm 85      Psalm 89:1-29      Exodus 3:1-12  
Hebrews 11:23-31      John 14:6-14*

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**As Told by Mark** • In chapter 1:21-34 we hear of Jesus’ ministry to the people— one of deliverance and healing. Where do you need to experience a touch of His Spirit today?

**God’s Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Psalm 29:3-4*

*The voice of the Lord is over the waters;  
the God of glory thunders,  
the Lord, over many waters.  
The voice of the Lord is powerful;  
the voice of the Lord is full of majesty*

*Romans 15:8-13*

*For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,  
“Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles,  
and sing to your name.”  
And again it is said,  
“Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people.”  
And again,  
“Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles,  
and let all the peoples extol him.”  
And again Isaiah says,  
“The root of Jesse will come,  
even he who arises to rule the Gentiles;  
in him will the Gentiles hope.”*

*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.*

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*Psalm 29*

*Psalm 98*

*Isaiah 66:18-23*

*Romans 15:7-13*

01.06.21 :: WEDNESDAY

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**As Told by Mark** • In chapter 1:35-39 we see Jesus modeling the practice of solitude. How can you apply this practice in your own life?

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Matthew 12:18-21*

*“Behold, my servant whom I have chosen,  
my beloved with whom my soul is well pleased.  
I will put my Spirit upon him,  
and he will proclaim justice to the Gentiles.  
He will not quarrel or cry aloud,  
nor will anyone hear his voice in the streets;  
a bruised reed he will not break,  
and a smoldering wick he will not quench,  
until he brings justice to victory;  
and in his name the Gentiles will hope.”*

*Revelation 21:22-27*

*And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today's reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalms 46*

*Psalms 97*

*Psalms 96*

*Psalms 100*

*Isaiah 52:7-10*

*Revelation 21:22-27*

*Matthew 12:14-21*

01.07.21 :: THURSDAY

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**As Told by Mark** • In chapter 1:40-45 we hear more of Jesus’ healing ministry – how He cleanses the outcasts and restores them. Where are you in need of His restoration this day?

**God’s Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Psalms 115:1-3*

*Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to your name give glory,  
for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!*

*2 Why should the nations say,*

*“Where is their God?”*

*3 Our God is in the heavens;  
he does all that he pleases.*

*Revelation 2:2-7*

*“I know your works, your toil and your patient endurance, and how you cannot bear with those who are evil, but have tested those who call themselves apostles and are not, and found them to be false. I know you are enduring patiently and bearing up for my name’s sake, and you have not grown weary. But I have this against you, that you have abandoned the love you had at first. Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent, and do the works you did at first. If not, I will come to you and remove your lamp stand from its place, unless you repent. Yet this you have: you hate the works of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who conquers I will grant to eat of the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God.”*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today’s reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalms 103      Psalms 114      Psalms 115      Isaiah 52:3-6*  
*Revelation 2:1-7      John 2:1-11*

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**As Told by Mark** • In preparation for this weeks sermon, read chapter 2 in its entirety and ask the Lord to begin to prepare your heart for Sundays message.

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Psalms 117*

*Praise the Lord, all nations!*

*Extol him, all peoples!*

*For great is his steadfast love toward us,  
and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.*

*Praise the Lord!*

*Isaiah 59:15-19*

*Truth is lacking,*

*and he who departs from evil makes himself a prey.*

*The Lord saw it, and it displeased him*

*that there was no justice.*

*He saw that there was no man,*

*and wondered that there was no one to intercede;*

*then his own arm brought him salvation,*

*and his righteousness upheld him.*

*He put on righteousness as a breastplate,*

*and a helmet of salvation on his head;*

*he put on garments of vengeance for clothing,*

*and wrapped himself in zeal as a cloak.*

*According to their deeds, so will he repay,*

*wrath to his adversaries, repayment to his enemies;*

*to the coastlands he will render repayment.*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today's reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalms 117*

*Psalms 118*

*Psalms 112*

*Psalms 113*

*Isaiah 59:15-21*

*Revelation 2:8-17*

*John 4:46-54*

01.09.21 :: SATURDAY

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**As Told by Mark** • Chapter 2:1-5 tells the story of a man, carried by his friends to Jesus where he experienced forgiveness of his sins. Jesus extends that same offer of forgiveness of to you. Receive today, in full assurance of your faith in Him, all that He offers in response to your confession.

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Isaiah 61:1-4*

*The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me,  
because the Lord has anointed me  
to bring good news to the poor;  
he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted,  
to proclaim liberty to the captives,  
and the opening of the prison to those who are bound;  
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor,  
and the day of vengeance of our God;  
to comfort all who mourn;  
to grant to those who mourn in Zion—  
to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes,  
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,  
the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit;  
that they may be called oaks of righteousness,  
the planting of the Lord, that he may be glorified.  
They shall build up the ancient ruins;  
they shall raise up the former devastations;  
they shall repair the ruined cities,  
the devastations of many generations.*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today's reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalms 104*

*Isaiah 61:1-9*

*Galatians 3:23-29*

*Galatians 4:4-7*

01.10.21 :: SUNDAY

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**As Told by Mark** • In chapter 2:6-12 Jesus' authority is questioned. In response, He brings further healing in the man's physical body. How is Jesus moving now in ways you've never seen before?

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*John 1:19-20*

*And this is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" He confessed, and did not deny, but confessed, "I am not the Christ."*

*John 1:29-34*

*Give ear to my words, O Lord; The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.' I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John bore witness: "I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God."*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today's reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalms 146*

*Psalms 147*

*Psalms 111*

*Psalms 112*

*Psalms 113*

*Isaiah 40:1-11*

*Hebrews 1:1-12*

*John 1:1-7*

*John 1:19-20*

*John 1:29-34*

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**As Told by Mark** • In chapter 2:13-17, Jesus calls Levi to follow him. Consider Levi's immediate obedience. Where do you need to respond with immediacy this week?

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Psalm 1:1-4*  
*Blessed is the man*  
*who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,*  
*nor stands in the way of sinners,*  
*nor sits in the seat of scoffers;*  
*but his delight is in the law of the Lord,*  
*and on his law he meditates day and night.*  
*He is like a tree*  
*planted by streams of water*  
*that yields its fruit in its season,*  
*and its leaf does not wither.*  
*In all that he does, he prospers.*  
*The wicked are not so,*  
*but are like chaff that the wind drives away.*

*Ephesians 1:3-6*  
*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.*

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<i>Psalm 1</i>	<i>Psalm 2</i>	<i>Psalm 3</i>	<i>Psalm 4</i>	<i>Psalm 7</i>
<i>Isaiah 40:12-23</i>	<i>Ephesians 1:1-14</i>	<i>Mark 1:1-13</i>		



01.12.21 :: TUESDAY

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**As Told by Mark** • In chapter 2:18-22 Jesus is questioned about fasting. Consider this practice of fasting - how have you practiced the discipline in your own life? What might you be called to fast from this week?

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Mark 1:21-28*

*And they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath he entered the synagogue and was teaching. And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God.” But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, “What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.*

*Psalms 5:7-8*

*But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love,  
will enter your house.*

*I will bow down toward your holy temple  
in the fear of you.*

*Lead me, O Lord, in your righteousness  
because of my enemies;  
make your way straight before me.*

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*Psalms 5*

*Psalms 6*

*Psalms 10*

*Psalms 11*

*Isaiah 40:25-21*

*Ephesians 1:15-23*

*Mark 1:14-28*

01.13.21 :: WEDNESDAY

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*“I confess that I have sinned against you. Have mercy on me, a sinner. Cleanse and forgive me. May I delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of Your Name.”*

**As Told by Mark** • As Jesus is questioned about fasting, He challenges the expectations of the people. How has Jesus challenged your expectations of what it means to be His disciple?

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Psalm 119:1-8*

*Blessed are those whose way is blameless,  
who walk in the law of the Lord!*

*Blessed are those who keep his testimonies,  
who seek him with their whole heart,  
who also do no wrong,  
but walk in his ways!*

*You have commanded your precepts  
to be kept diligently.*

*Oh that my ways may be steadfast  
in keeping your statutes!*

*Then I shall not be put to shame,  
having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.*

*I will praise you with an upright heart,  
when I learn your righteous rules.*

*I will keep your statutes;  
do not utterly forsake me!*

*Ephesians 2:4-10*

*But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today's reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalm 119:1-24*

*Psalm 12*

*Psalm 13*

*Psalm 14*

*Isaiah 41:1-16*

*Ephesians 2:1-10*

*Mark 1:29-45*

## 01.14.21 :: THURSDAY

What is God speaking to you today? Take some time to slow yourself and listen for His voice.

**Give Thanks & Settle In** • Sit quietly for 60 seconds inviting God to be with you. Pray this prayer:

*“Lord, I invite you to encounter me in this time set apart for you. May your Spirit speak to my heart, quicken my responsiveness, and minister to my every need. Thanks be to God.”*

**Review & Confession** • Take a few moments for self-examination. Then, say this prayer:

*“I confess that I have sinned against you. Have mercy on me, a sinner. Cleanse and forgive me. May I delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of Your Name.”*

**As Told by Mark** • In chapter 2:23-28, Jesus again challenges expectations placed on His disciples by the Pharisees. Consider how Jesus came to upend traditions with truth.

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Psalm 18:20-30*

*The Lord dealt with me according to my righteousness;  
according to the cleanness of my hands he rewarded me.  
For I have kept the ways of the Lord,  
and have not wickedly departed from my God.  
For all his rules were before me,  
and his statutes I did not put away from me.  
I was blameless before him,  
and I kept myself from my guilt.  
So the Lord has rewarded me according to my righteousness,  
according to the cleanness of my hands in his sight.  
With the merciful you show yourself merciful;  
with the blameless man you show yourself blameless;  
with the purified you show yourself pure;  
and with the crooked you make yourself seem tortuous.  
For you save a humble people,  
but the haughty eyes you bring down.  
For it is you who light my lamp;  
the Lord my God lightens my darkness.  
For by you I can run against a troop,  
and by my God I can leap over a wall.  
This God—his way is perfect;  
the word of the Lord proves true;  
he is a shield for all those who take refuge in him.*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today's reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalm 18:1-20*

*Psalm 18:21-50*

*Isaiah 41:17-29*

*Ephesians 2:11-22*

*Mark 2:1-12*

01.15.21 :: FRIDAY

What is God speaking to you today? Take some time to slow yourself and listen for His voice.

**Give Thanks & Settle In** • Sit quietly for 60 seconds inviting God to be with you. Pray this prayer:

*“Lord, I invite you to encounter me in this time set apart for you. May your Spirit speak to my heart, quicken my responsiveness, and minister to my every need. Thanks be to God.”*

**Review & Confession** • Take a few moments for self-examination. Then, say this prayer:

*“I confess that I have sinned against you. Have mercy on me, a sinner. Cleanse and forgive me. May I delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of Your Name.”*

**As Told by Mark** • In preparation for this weeks sermon, read chapters 3 and 4 in their entirety and ask the Lord to begin to prepare your heart for Sundays message.

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Isaiah 42:1-7*

*Behold my servant, whom I uphold,  
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;  
I have put my Spirit upon him;  
he will bring forth justice to the nations.  
He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice,  
or make it heard in the street;  
a bruised reed he will not break,  
and a faintly burning wick he will not quench;  
he will faithfully bring forth justice.  
He will not grow faint or be discouraged  
till he has established justice in the earth;  
and the coastlands wait for his law.  
Thus says God, the Lord,  
who created the heavens and stretched them out,  
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,  
who gives breath to the people on it  
and spirit to those who walk in it:  
“I am the Lord; I have called you in righteousness;  
I will take you by the hand and keep you;  
I will give you as a covenant for the people,  
a light for the nations,  
to open the eyes that are blind,  
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,  
from the prison those who sit in darkness.*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today's reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalm 16      Psalm 17      Psalm 22      Isaiah 42:1-17*  
*Ephesians 3:1-13      Mark 2:13-22*

01.16.21 :: SATURDAY

What is God speaking to you today? Take some time to slow yourself and listen for His voice.

**Give Thanks & Settle In** • Sit quietly for 60 seconds inviting God to be with you. Pray this prayer:

*“Lord, I invite you to encounter me in this time set apart for you. May your Spirit speak to my heart, quicken my responsiveness, and minister to my every need. Thanks be to God.”*

**Review & Confession** • Take a few moments for self-examination. Then, say this prayer:

*“I confess that I have sinned against you. Have mercy on me, a sinner. Cleanse and forgive me. May I delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of Your Name.”*

**As Told by Mark** • In chapter 3:1-6 Jesus heals on the Sabbath. Consider how radical Jesus' actions were to this group of onlookers. Where can you find yourself in this story? Why did the Pharisees begin to plot Jesus' death?

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Ephesians 3:14-19*

*For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.*

*Mark 3:1-6*

*Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there with a withered hand. And they watched Jesus to see whether he would heal him on the Sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man with the withered hand, “Come here.” And he said to them, “Is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save life or to kill?” But they were silent. And he looked around at them with anger, grieved at their hardness of heart, and said to the man, “Stretch out your hand.” He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately held counsel with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today's reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalm 20      Psalm 21:1-13      Psalm 110:1-7      Psalm 116      Psalm 117*  
*Isaiah 43:1-13      Ephesians 3:14-21      Mark 2:23-3:6*

## 01.17.21 :: SUNDAY

What is God speaking to you today? Take some time to slow yourself and listen for His voice.

**Give Thanks & Settle In** • Sit quietly for 60 seconds inviting God to be with you. Pray this prayer:

*"Lord, I invite you to encounter me in this time set apart for you. May your Spirit speak to my heart, quicken my responsiveness, and minister to my every need. Thanks be to God."*

**Review & Confession** • Take a few moments for self-examination. Then, say this prayer:

*"I confess that I have sinned against you. Have mercy on me, a sinner. Cleanse and forgive me. May I delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of Your Name."*

**As Told by Mark** • In chapter 3:7-12 we see crowds beginning to follow Jesus. What motivated them to follow Him? Consider why Jesus gave His disciples the strict orders He did.

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*John 4:35-42*

*Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, then comes the harvest'? Look, I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are white for harvest. Already the one who reaps is receiving wages and gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."*

*Many Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me all that I ever did." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world."*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today's reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalms 148*

*Psalms 149*

*Psalms 150*

*Psalms 114*

*Psalms 115*

*Isaiah 43:14-44:5*

*Hebrews 6:17-7:10*

*John 4:27-42*

01.18.21 :: MONDAY

What is God speaking to you today? Take some time to slow yourself and listen for His voice.

**Give Thanks & Settle In** • Sit quietly for 60 seconds inviting God to be with you. Pray this prayer:

*"Lord, I invite you to encounter me in this time set apart for you. May your Spirit speak to my heart, quicken my responsiveness, and minister to my every need. Thanks be to God."*

**Review & Confession** • Take a few moments for self-examination. Then, say this prayer:

*"I confess that I have sinned against you. Have mercy on me, a sinner. Cleanse and forgive me. May I delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of Your Name."*

**As Told by Mark** • In chapter 3:13-19, Jesus appoints His twelve disciples - establishing community, purpose, and calling. What is He calling you to as a follower of Jesus?

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Acts 10:34-44*

*So Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name." While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word.*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today's reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalm 66*

*Psalm 67*

*Ezekiel 3:4-11*

*Acts 10:34-44*

*Psalm 118*

*John 21:15-22*

01.19.21 :: TUESDAY

What is God speaking to you today? Take some time to slow yourself and listen for His voice.

**Give Thanks & Settle In** • Sit quietly for 60 seconds inviting God to be with you. Pray this prayer:

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*“I confess that I have sinned against you. Have mercy on me, a sinner. Cleanse and forgive me. May I delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of Your Name.”*

**As Told by Mark** • In chapter 3:20-35, we see accusations against Jesus mount, and His relationships being reordered. What does it mean to you to belong to the family of Christ? What it look like to “do God’s will” in your life?

**God’s Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Psalm 26  
Vindicate me, O Lord,  
for I have walked in my integrity,  
and I have trusted in the Lord without wavering.  
Prove me, O Lord, and try me;  
test my heart and my mind.  
For your steadfast love is before my eyes,  
and I walk in your faithfulness.  
I do not sit with men of falsehood,  
nor do I consort with hypocrites.  
I hate the assembly of evildoers,  
and I will not sit with the wicked.  
I wash my hands in innocence  
and go around your altar, O Lord,  
proclaiming thanksgiving aloud,  
and telling all your wondrous deeds.  
O Lord, I love the habitation of your house  
and the place where your glory dwells.  
Do not sweep my soul away with sinners,  
nor my life with bloodthirsty men,  
in whose hands are evil devices,  
and whose right hands are full of bribes.  
But as for me, I shall walk in my integrity;  
redeem me, and be gracious to me.  
My foot stands on level ground;  
in the great assembly I will bless the Lord.*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today’s reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

<i>Psalm 26</i>	<i>Psalm 28</i>	<i>Psalm 36</i>	<i>Psalm 39</i>
<i>Isaiah 44:9-20</i>	<i>Ephesians 4:17-32</i>		<i>Mark 3:19b-25</i>



01.20.21 :: WEDNESDAY

What is God speaking to you today? Take some time to slow yourself and listen for His voice.

**Give Thanks & Settle In** • Sit quietly for 60 seconds inviting God to be with you. Pray this prayer:

*“Lord, I invite you to encounter me in this time set apart for you. May your Spirit speak to my heart, quicken my responsiveness, and minister to my every need. Thanks be to God.”*

**Review & Confession** • Take a few moments for self-examination. Then, say this prayer:

*“I confess that I have sinned against you. Have mercy on me, a sinner. Cleanse and forgive me. May I delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of Your Name.”*

**As Told by Mark** • In chapter 4:1-34, Jesus shares of 3 parables – the sower, the growing seed, and the mustard seed. What is the Lord might be speaking to you today through these parables?

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Isaiah 44:24-28*

*Thus says the Lord, your Redeemer,  
who formed you from the womb:  
“I am the Lord, who made all things,  
who alone stretched out the heavens,  
who spread out the earth by myself,  
who frustrates the signs of liars  
and makes fools of diviners,  
who turns wise men back  
and makes their knowledge foolish,  
who confirms the word of his servant  
and fulfills the counsel of his messengers,  
who says of Jerusalem, ‘She shall be inhabited,’  
and of the cities of Judah, ‘They shall be built,  
and I will raise up their ruins’;  
who says to the deep, ‘Be dry;  
I will dry up your rivers’;  
who says of Cyrus, ‘He is my shepherd,  
and he shall fulfill all my purpose’;  
saying of Jerusalem, ‘She shall be built,’  
and of the temple, ‘Your foundation shall be laid.’”*

*Ephesians 5:1-4*

*Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. But sexual immorality and all impurity or covetousness must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints. Let there be no filthiness nor foolish talk nor crude joking, which are out of place, but instead let there be thanksgiving.*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today's reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalms 38      Psalm 119:25-48      Isaiah 44:24-45:7*

*Ephesians 5:1-14      Mark 4:1-20*

01.21.21 :: THURSDAY

What is God speaking to you today? Take some time to slow yourself and listen for His voice.

**Give Thanks & Settle In** • Sit quietly for 60 seconds inviting God to be with you. Pray this prayer:

*"Lord, I invite you to encounter me in this time set apart for you. May your Spirit speak to my heart, quicken my responsiveness, and minister to my every need. Thanks be to God."*

**Review & Confession** • Take a few moments for self-examination. Then, say this prayer:

*"I confess that I have sinned against you. Have mercy on me, a sinner. Cleanse and forgive me. May I delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of Your Name."*

**As Told by Mark** • In chapter 4:35-41 Jesus calms the storm. Invite Him now to calm any storms in your life- that all things may come into obedience under Christ.

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Isaiah 45:11-17*

*Thus says the Lord, the Holy One of Israel, and the one who formed him:*

*"Ask me of things to come;*

*will you command me concerning my children and the work of my hands?*

*I made the earth and created man on it;*

*it was my hands that stretched out the heavens,*

*and I commanded all their host.*

*I have stirred him up in righteousness,*

*and I will make all his ways level;*

*he shall build my city and set my exiles free,*

*not for price or reward," says the Lord of hosts.*

*Thus says the Lord:*

*"The wealth of Egypt and the merchandise of Cush,*

*and the Sabeans, men of stature,*

*shall come over to you and be yours;*

*they shall follow you;*

*they shall come over in chains and bow down to you.*

*They will plead with you, saying:*

*'Surely God is in you, and there is no other,*

*no god besides him.'"*

*Truly, you are a God who hides himself,*

*O God of Israel, the Savior.*

*All of them are put to shame and confounded;*

*the makers of idols go in confusion together.*

*But Israel is saved by the Lord*

*with everlasting salvation;*

*you shall not be put to shame or confounded*

*to all eternity.*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today's reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalms 37:1-42*

*Isaiah 45:5-17*

*Ephesians 5:15-33*

*Mark 4:21-34*

01.22.21 :: FRIDAY

What is God speaking to you today? Take some time to slow yourself and listen for His voice.

**Give Thanks & Settle In** • Sit quietly for 60 seconds inviting God to be with you. Pray this prayer:

*"Lord, I invite you to encounter me in this time set apart for you. May your Spirit speak to my heart, quicken my responsiveness, and minister to my every need. Thanks be to God."*

**Review & Confession** • Take a few moments for self-examination. Then, say this prayer:

*"I confess that I have sinned against you. Have mercy on me, a sinner. Cleanse and forgive me. May I delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of Your Name."*

**As Told by Mark** • In preparation for this weeks sermon, read chapter 5 in its entirety and ask the Lord to begin to prepare your heart for Sundays message.

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Psalms 31:1-9*

*In you, O Lord, do I take refuge;  
let me never be put to shame;  
in your righteousness deliver me!  
Incline your ear to me;  
rescue me speedily!  
Be a rock of refuge for me,  
a strong fortress to save me!  
For you are my rock and my fortress;  
and for your name's sake you lead me and guide me;  
you take me out of the net they have hidden for me,  
for you are my refuge.  
Into your hand I commit my spirit;  
you have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.  
I hate those who pay regard to worthless idols,  
but I trust in the Lord.  
I will rejoice and be glad in your steadfast love,  
because you have seen my affliction;  
you have known the distress of my soul,  
and you have not delivered me into the hand of the enemy;  
you have set my feet in a broad place.  
Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am in distress;  
my eye is wasted from grief;  
my soul and my body also.*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today's reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalms 31*

*Psalms 35*

*Isaiah 45:18-25*

*Ephesians 6:1-9*

*Mark 4:35-41*

01.23.21 :: SATURDAY

What is God speaking to you today? Take some time to slow yourself and listen for His voice.

**Give Thanks & Settle In** • Sit quietly for 60 seconds inviting God to be with you. Pray this prayer:

*“Lord, I invite you to encounter me in this time set apart for you. May your Spirit speak to my heart, quicken my responsiveness, and minister to my every need. Thanks be to God.”*

**Review & Confession** • Take a few moments for self-examination. Then, say this prayer:

*“I confess that I have sinned against you. Have mercy on me, a sinner. Cleanse and forgive me. May I delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of Your Name.”*

**As Told by Mark** • In chapter 5:1-20 Jesus brings healing and restoration to a demon possessed man. What does this story speak to you?

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Psalm 30:4-5*

*Sing praises to the Lord, O you his saints,  
and give thanks to his holy name.  
For his anger is but for a moment,  
and his favor is for a lifetime.  
Weeping may tarry for the night,  
but joy comes with the morning.*

*Psalm 32:1-2*

*Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,  
whose sin is covered  
Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity,  
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.*

*Psalm 32:6-7*

*Therefore let everyone who is godly  
offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found;  
surely in the rush of great waters,  
they shall not reach him.  
You are a hiding place for me;  
you preserve me from trouble;  
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.*

*Selah*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today's reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalm 30*

*Psalm 32*

*Psalm 42*

*Psalm 43*

*Isaiah 46:1-13*

*Ephesians 6:10-24*

*Mark 5:1-20*

## 01.24.21 :: SUNDAY

What is God speaking to you today? Take some time to slow yourself and listen for His voice.

**Give Thanks & Settle In** • Sit quietly for 60 seconds inviting God to be with you. Pray this prayer:

*“Lord, I invite you to encounter me in this time set apart for you. May your Spirit speak to my heart, quicken my responsiveness, and minister to my every need. Thanks be to God.”*

**Review & Confession** • Take a few moments for self-examination. Then, say this prayer:

*“I confess that I have sinned against you. Have mercy on me, a sinner. Cleanse and forgive me. May I delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of Your Name.”*

**As Told by Mark** • As you consider the healing the demon possessed man experienced from Jesus in 5:1-20, how does his encounter with the one true God alter his entire life? How does your encounter with God today bring your own transformation and restoration?

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Hebrews 10:19-25*

*Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.*

*John 5:18*

*This was why the Jews were seeking all the more to kill him, because not only was he breaking the Sabbath, but he was even calling God his own Father, making himself equal with God.*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today's reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalms 63:1-11*

*Psalms 98*

*Psalms 103*

*Isaiah 47:1-15*

*Hebrews 10:19-31*

*John 5:2-18*

01.25.21 :: MONDAY

What is God speaking to you today? Take some time to slow yourself and listen for His voice.

**Give Thanks & Settle In** • Sit quietly for 60 seconds inviting God to be with you. Pray this prayer:

*“Lord, I invite you to encounter me in this time set apart for you. May your Spirit speak to my heart, quicken my responsiveness, and minister to my every need. Thanks be to God.”*

**Review & Confession** • Take a few moments for self-examination. Then, say this prayer:

*“I confess that I have sinned against you. Have mercy on me, a sinner. Cleanse and forgive me. May I delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of Your Name.”*

**As Told by Mark** • In chapter 5:19, Jesus instructs the healed man to share of what the Lord has done. In conjunction with Saul's experience, consider how merciful Jesus is. Prepare your heart to share of the Lord's mercy in your own life with your people. Where can you practice this sharing of all the Lord has done?

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Acts 9:1-9*

*But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven shone around him. And falling to the ground, he heard a voice saying to him, “Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?” And he said, “Who are you, Lord?” And he said, “I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.” The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today's reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalm 19*

*Isaiah 45:18-25*

*Psalm 119:89-112*

*Acts 9:1-22*

*Philippians 3:4b-11*

01.26.21 :: TUESDAY

What is God speaking to you today? Take some time to slow yourself and listen for His voice.

**Give Thanks & Settle In** • Sit quietly for 60 seconds inviting God to be with you. Pray this prayer:

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**As Told by Mark** • In chapter 5:21-43, Jesus heals a woman sick for twelve years on his way to Jarius' home. How do you respond to kingdom interruptions in your every day life? Ask for eyes to see interruptions as invitations this day.

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Psalm 47:1-9*

*Clap your hands, all peoples!*

*Shout to God with loud songs of joy!*

*For the Lord, the Most High, is to be feared,*

*a great king over all the earth.*

*He subdued peoples under us,*

*and nations under our feet.*

*He chose our heritage for us,*

*the pride of Jacob whom he loves. Selah*

*God has gone up with a shout,*

*the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.*

*Sing praises to God, sing praises!*

*Sing praises to our King, sing praises!*

*For God is the King of all the earth;*

*sing praises with a psalm!*

*God reigns over the nations;*

*God sits on his holy throne.*

*The princes of the peoples gather*

*as the people of the God of Abraham.*

*For the shields of the earth belong to God;*

*he is highly exalted!*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today's reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalm 45*

*Psalm 47*

*Psalm 48*

*Isaiah 48:12-21*

*Galatians 1:18-2:10*

*Mark 6:1-13*

01.27.21 :: WEDNESDAY

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**As Told by Mark** • In chapter 5:31-34, Jesus recognizes the woman who is healed – with a declaration of peace and freedom over her life. Where do you need His freedom and peace today?

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Psalm 119:57-64*

*The Lord is my portion;*

*I promise to keep your words.*

*I entreat your favor with all my heart;*

*be gracious to me according to your promise.*

*When I think on my ways,*

*I turn my feet to your testimonies;*

*I hasten and do not delay*

*to keep your commandments.*

*Though the cords of the wicked ensnare me,*

*I do not forget your law.*

*At midnight I rise to praise you,*

*because of your righteous rules.*

*I am a companion of all who fear you,*

*of those who keep your precepts.*

*The earth, O Lord, is full of your steadfast love;*

*teach me your statutes!*

*Galatians 2:17-21*

*But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we too were found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! For if I rebuild what I tore down, I prove myself to be a transgressor. For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. I do not nullify the grace of God, for if righteousness were through the law, then Christ died for no purpose.*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today's reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalm 119:49-72*

*Psalm 49*

*Psalm 53*

*Isaiah 49:1-12*

*Galatians 2:11-21*

*Mark 6:13-29*



01.28.21 :: THURSDAY

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**As Told by Mark** • In chapter 5:36 Jesus challenges his followers to reject fear and believe in Him. Where do you need to embrace this direction today?

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Galatians 3:1-6*

*O foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? It was before your eyes that Jesus Christ was publicly portrayed as crucified. Let me ask you only this: Did you receive the Spirit by works of the law or by hearing with faith? Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by the flesh? Did you suffer so many things in vain—if indeed it was in vain? Does he who supplies the Spirit to you and works miracles among you do so by works of the law, or by hearing with faith—just as Abraham “believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness”?*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today's reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalm 50      Psalm 59      Psalm 60      Psalm 118*  
*Isaiah 49:13-23      Galatians 3:1-14      Mark 6:30-46*

01.29.21 :: FRIDAY

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**As Told by Mark** • In preparation for this weeks sermon, read chapters 6 & 7 in their entirety and ask the Lord to begin to prepare your heart for Sundays message.

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Psalm 51:1-12*

*Have mercy on me, O God,  
according to your steadfast love;  
according to your abundant mercy  
blot out my transgressions.  
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,  
and cleanse me from my sin!  
For I know my transgressions,  
and my sin is ever before me.  
Against you, you only, have I sinned  
and done what is evil in your sight,  
so that you may be justified in your words  
and blameless in your judgment.  
Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,  
and in sin did my mother conceive me.  
Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being,  
and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.  
Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;  
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.  
Let me hear joy and gladness;  
let the bones that you have broken rejoice.  
Hide your face from my sins,  
and blot out all my iniquities.  
Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from your presence,  
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,  
and uphold me with a willing spirit.*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today's reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalm 40      Psalm 54      Psalm 51      Isaiah 50:1-11  
Galatians 3:15-22      Mark 6:47-56*

01.30.21 :: SATURDAY

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**As Told by Mark** • In chapter 6:1-13, Jesus shares of the struggles ministering in His hometown. Consider how this resonates with your own testimony and life. What can we learn from Jesus' experience? How might He be calling you to be sent out as His disciple?

**God's Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*Psalm 139:13-18*

*For you formed my inward parts;  
you knitted me together in my mother's womb.  
praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.  
Wonderful are your works;  
my soul knows it very well.  
My frame was not hidden from you,  
when I was being made in secret,  
intricately woven in the depths of the earth.  
Your eyes saw my unformed substance;  
in your book were written, every one of them,  
the days that were formed for me,  
when as yet there was none of them.  
How precious to me are your thoughts, O God!  
How vast is the sum of them!  
If I would count them, they are more than the sand.  
I awake, and I am still with you.*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today's reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalm 55      Psalm 138      Psalm 139:1-23      Isaiah 51:1-8  
Galatians 3:23-29      Mark 7:1-23*

## 01.31.21 :: SUNDAY

What is God speaking to you today? Take some time to slow yourself and listen for His voice.

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**As Told by Mark** • In chapter 6:14-29 we hear of the death of Jesus’ cousin John the Baptist – the one who came to prepare the way of the Lord. What is your experience of injustice in this story? What emotions do you experience? Sit in that place, not rushing out of the depravity of the execution.

**God’s Word** • As you read through the passage below, listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you:

*John 7:25-31*

*Some of the people of Jerusalem therefore said, “Is not this the man whom they seek to kill? And here he is, speaking openly, and they say nothing to him! Can it be that the authorities really know that this is the Christ? But we know where this man comes from, and when the Christ appears, no one will know where he comes from.” So Jesus proclaimed, as he taught in the temple, “You know me, and you know where I come from. But I have not come of my own accord. He who sent me is true, and him you do not know. I know him, for I come from him, and he sent me.” So they were seeking to arrest him, but no one laid a hand on him, because his hour had not yet come. Yet many of the people believed in him. They said, “When the Christ appears, will he do more signs than this man has done?”*

*Psalms 51:15-16*

*I am the Lord your God,  
who stirs up the sea so that its waves roar—  
the Lord of hosts is his name.  
And I have put my words in your mouth  
and covered you in the shadow of my hand,  
establishing the heavens  
and laying the foundations of the earth,  
and saying to Zion, ‘You are my people.’”*

**Grab Your Bible** • Go deeper with today’s reading schedule from the Book of Common Prayer.

*Psalms 24*

*Psalms 29*

*Psalms 8*

*Psalms 84*

*Isaiah 51:9-16*

*Hebrews 11:8-16*

*John 7:14-31*