

## Daily Readings

"For your steadfast love is before my eyes, and I walk in faithfulness to you." Psalm 26:3

## Looking Back . . .

<b>Sunday</b>	Mark 9:38-50	Temptations to sin
<b>Monday</b>	Psalm 26	God's love endures
<b>Tuesday</b>	Acts 21:1-14	Paul journeys to Jerusalem
<b>Wednesday</b>	Acts 21:15-26	Paul and James

## Looking Ahead . . .

<b>Thursday</b>	Acts 21:27-36	Paul's commitment to the Gospel
<b>Friday</b>	Psalm 25	Trust in God
<b>Saturday</b>	Luke 6:27-38	Love even enemies
<b>Sunday</b>	Mark 10:2-16	Commitment

## Household Service

### Pentecost Series 4: Stewardship

"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." – Luke 12:34

#### Week 1:

September into October is stewardship season in many churches. The idea of stewardship goes beyond what we put in the offering plate on Sunday morning. Merriam-Webster defines stewardship as, "the careful and responsible management of something entrusted to one's care." Sit down as a household and make a list of the things that you are "stewards" of; like your home, pets, etc. On that same list, talk about the things that are "community" property like your church, the neighborhood park, etc. Keep this list for next week!

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## "Dinner" Devotions

### Meal Prayer

Dear Jesus, we are so grateful that you want us to be close to you always. Let us remember that you walk with us everyday no matter what! Jesus, let us hear your voice calling us to share your love with others in the world. Amen.

### The Story

Temptations to Sin - Mark 9:38-50

Disciples worry about another person casting out demons and obstacles to relationship with God.

### Conversations

Day 1

Mark 9:38-39

Sometimes we worry when people don't believe exactly like us. Does it matter where or from who someone learns about God and Jesus? Why or why not?

Day 2

Mark 9: 40-41

Verse 41 reminds us that the important factor is that we serve one another in Christ's name. When was a time that someone served/ helped you even though they didn't know you?

Day 3

Mark 9: 42

What can you do to pass the faith of Jesus to someone around you? A child? A youth? An adult?

Day 4

Mark 9:43-48

What are some ways you intentionally or unintentionally separate yourself from God and being wholly committed to Christ and the mission of God in the world?

Day 5

Mark 9:49-50

What spiritual practices (devotions, prayer, walks in nature, worship, etc.) keep you "seasoned?" Do these practices allow you to "be at peace" with others too? Share the peace of Christ with someone today!

### Blessing

As you leave home in the mornings for work or school, make the sign of the cross on each other's hands and say : "**Remember Jesus is calling you to share his love today!**"

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