

# Faith Formation Journeys

Weekly Household Devotions

## Daily Readings

"It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest, eating the bread of anxious toil; for he gives sleep to his beloved." Psalm 127:2

## Looking Back . . .

Sunday	John 18:33-37	Christ's Kingdom
Monday	Psalm 76	Israel's God—Judge of all the Earth
Tuesday	Revelation 11:1-14	The two witnesses
Wednesday	Revelation 11:15-19	The seventh trumpet

## Looking Ahead . . .

Thursday	Psalm 25:1-10	Prayer for guidance and for deliverance
Friday	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	The coming of the Lord
Saturday	1 Thessalonians 5:12-22	Final exhortations
Sunday	Luke 21:25-36	The coming of the Son of Man

## Household Service

## Pentecost Series 5: Sabbath

### Week 4:

Rest and focus are crucial to our well being. Sabbath is not a luxury or a suggestion it is a command by God. A God who loves and holds us and wants to be with us. Talk about how your experience has been over the past few weeks. Talk about the upcoming Advent and Christmas season and plan now for how you will take Sabbath time for the rest of the year. Now take your time and say yes to God!

Christ the King  
Pentecost Series 5  
November 25, 2012

## "Dinner" Devotions

### Meal Prayer

God of Sabbath, help us to find rest in you. Teach us to create restful places for the people around us, and grant us your peace in our lives. Amen

### The Story

Peace for the Disciples - John 16:25-33

Jesus tells the disciples that he is leaving the world, and gives them his peace in a world that seems out of control.

### Conversations

Day 1

John 16:25

Jesus often tells stories to teach lessons. How do stories help you learn? How do stories sometimes make it harder to learn?

Day 2

John 16:26-27

Jesus tells his disciples that they can talk directly to God! How does it make you feel to talk to God? Is it easier to talk to Jesus? Why or why not?

Day 3

John 16:28-30

To us, Jesus seems to be clear that it is time for him to go back to God, but we know the Easter story. How do you think the disciples understood this? What questions do you think they had?

Day 4

John 16:31-32

Does Jesus believe them when they say they believe? What does Jesus know about what will happen and how the disciples will act? Does it comfort you to think that God is always with you?

Day 5

John 16:33

Is there a double meaning in Jesus granting them peace? How do the disciples feel on Good Friday? In what way has Jesus conquered the world?

### Blessing

May you find rest in God, healing in the Son, and be empowered by the Holy Spirit.

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