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**
  God, there is little peace in our community, in our country, and in our world. Inspire in our hearts a longing for peace, and where we are able, give us the will and the ability to be peacekeepers. Amen.

CARING CONVERSATION

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

- **Highs & Lows:** Name one way you experienced peace today. Name one way you experienced conflict today.
- **Thinking about This Week's Story:** We hear stories every day about fighting, war, and hate. Sometimes we have to look hard for stories about peace. What kind of story did you hear today? Fighting or peace? How did that story make you feel?
- **Getting Ready for Next Week's Story:** Habakkuk struggles with the injustices in his community. Did you see something today that was unfair in your community, at school, or at work? What was it? Is there anything you can do about it?

DAILY BIBLE READING

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

PRAY TOGETHER

- Dear God, please grant peace to our household, our community, and our world. Send us out to be your peacekeepers. Amen.

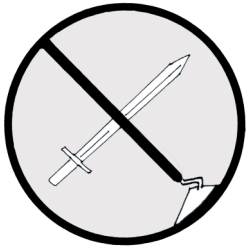
CLOSING

- 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 on each other's hands or forehead, and say, **"May God send you forth in peace. Amen."**

The "Four Key Faith Practices"—Caring Conversations, Devotions, Service, and Rituals & Traditions—are a framework developed by the Rev. Dr. David Anderson. A brief description of the Four Keys is available at Milestones Ministry, LLC: https://milestonesministry.org/history-of-the-four-keys/.

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November 22, 2026 **Isaiah 36:1-3, 13-20; 37:1-7; 2:1-4**



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SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THE WEEK

Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

- Isaiah 2:4

MEALTIME PRAYER

Thank you, God, for the food you provide for us. Thank you, God, for the water you give us to drink. Thank you, God, for lives we get to live. Thank you, God, for everything. Amen.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Something to consider as you read: ***What are the people doing in each story? What is God doing in each story?***

Sunday	Isaiah 36:1-3, 13-20; 37:1-7; 2:1-4	God's Plan for Peace
Monday	Isaiah 38:1-8	Hezekiah Is Saved from an Illness
Tuesday	2 Kings 21:1-16	Manasseh's Wicked Reign
Wednesday	2 Kings 22:1-13	Josiah's Reign and Reform, part 1
Thursday	2 Kings 22:14-20	Josiah's Reign and Reform. part 2
Friday	2 Kings 23:1-14	Josiah's Reign and Reform, part 3
Saturday	2 Kings 23:21-30	Josiah's Reign and Reform, part 4
Sunday	Habakkuk 1:1-7; 2:1-4; 3:[3b-6] 17-19	Waiting and Watching

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.

Draw a peace sign on a piece of paper. Hang it where you see it every day this week. Remember at some point during the day to pray for peace in our world.

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