



Growing  
**FAITH**  
at home

18 April 2021  
THIRD SUNDAY  
OF EASTER

The risen Jesus sends us  
out to witness.

verse for the week

The Messiah will  
suffer and rise from  
the dead on the third  
day, and repentance  
for the forgiveness of  
sins will be preached  
in his name to all  
nations, beginning at  
Jerusalem. You are  
witnesses of these  
things.

LUKE 24:46-48

## Caring Conversations

Share your highs  
and lows of the  
day, or respond  
to the following  
questions:

1

Tell about an  
amazing event  
you saw or heard  
about.

2

Who first told you  
about Jesus?  
Who and what  
has helped you  
learn about him?

3

Jesus said that  
his disciples  
would be  
"witnesses"  
for him  
(Luke 24:48).  
What is a  
witness? In what  
ways are you a  
witness for Jesus  
to others?

## Devotions

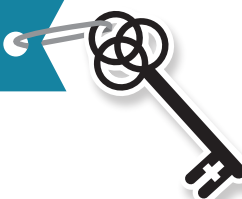


### Daily Bible Readings

S	Luke 24:36b-48	Jesus appears to his disciples
M	Acts 3:12-19	Peter speaks in the temple
T	1 John 3:1-7	Children of God
W	Acts 1:1-11	You will be my witnesses
T	Acts 10:34-43	The witness of the apostles
F	Isaiah 35:3-9	God changes everything
S	Psalms 4	An evening prayer
S	John 10:11-18	The Good Shepherd

Discuss the bible reading. What word or phrase  
was important to you as you read these verses?

## Rituals and Traditions



### PRAYER

Lord Jesus, open  
our minds to  
understand the  
Scriptures and our  
mouths to speak  
of you. Amen.

### BLESSING

May the light of  
God's face shine  
on you and be  
gracious to you  
and fill your  
heart with joy.

## Creative Response

Psalms 4:8 states, "In peace I will lie down  
and sleep, for you alone, O Lord, will keep  
me safe."

The end of the day is a good time to slow down,  
reflect on the day, and focus on God's place at the  
centre of our lives. Rituals that help us do this can  
have a powerful "witnessing" influence in our  
home lives.

Consider incorporating these ideas into your bedtime  
routine:

- Read a Bible passage or a storybook Bible story.
- Bless each other.
- Take time for prayer and meditation, including sitting in silence.
- Sing
- Pause to wonder how God was present in your ups and downs

### mealtime prayer

God bless our food, God guide our ways, God give  
us strength to declare your praise. Amen.

## Service



The Great Commandment  
to love God and love  
neighbour relates directly  
to the Great Commission  
to tell the good news of  
Jesus to others. Jesus  
calls us to be his followers  
and to share our faith with  
others. Pray for relatives,  
friends or neighbours  
this week, who are not  
Christians. Ask for God's  
help to share Jesus with  
them in what we say  
and how we serve.