



Growing
FAITH
at home

22 March 2020

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Jesus is the light of
the world.

Devotions



Daily Bible Readings

S	John 9:1-41	The man born blind
M	1 Samuel 16:1-13	Samuel anoints David
T	Matthew 9:27-31	Jesus heals the blind
W	Matthew 20:29-34	Two blind men receive sight
T	1 John 2:3-11	Warning against spiritual blindness
F	Ephesians 5:8-14	Now you are light
S	Psalms 23	The Good Shepherd
S	John 11:1-45	The raising of Lazarus

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

Rituals and Traditions



PRAYER

Lord Jesus, we
believe. May
we worship you
today through all
we do and say.
Amen.

BLESSING

May the Holy
Spirit fill you
with what is
good.

Creative Response

Select a candle to serve as your 'Christ candle', and gather an additional candle for each person in your household.

Begin your home devotional times this week by saying "**Jesus, you are the light of the world.**" As you do, light the Christ Candle.

Then have household members take turns lighting their candles from the Christ Candle. As each one does, say together: "**You are a child of the light. Make your light shine before others.**"



mealtime prayer

Lord Jesus, you give sight to the blind and food to the hungry. We thank you for your kindness and praise you for your goodness. Amen.

Lent

VIOLET (or Purple) is the colour of royalty, repentance, and self-discipline and is the traditional colour for the season of Lent. This deep rich colour represents a time of penitence and prayer.

verse for the week

While I am
in the world,
I am the
light of the
world.

JOHN 9:5

Service



Founded in 1908 by German Lutheran Pastor Ernest Christoffel, Christian Blind Mission International (CBMI) works to improve the quality of life of persons with disabilities in the poorest countries of the world. CBMI supports more than 1000 programs in over 100 countries in Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, and Latin America. Almost 17 million people worldwide benefit from CBMI's support.

See www.cbm.org for more info. Make a donation to support the work of CBMI or plan a fundraiser to assist their work. Pray for people with disabilities such as blindness this week.

Caring Conversations



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

1

Share about a time when you were in a very dark place. How did you feel? What did you do?

2

Jesus said "I am the light of the world" (John 9:5). In what ways is he like a light in your life?

