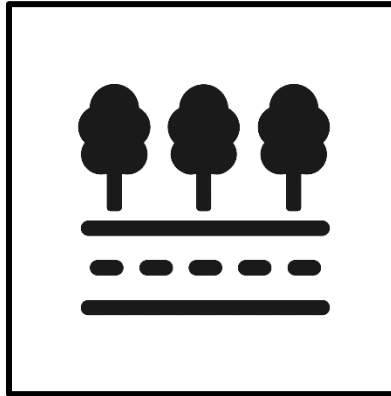


2019 Lenten Family Prayer Activities



Week 2

Psalm 27

Focus verse – Psalm 27:11; 13-14

¹¹⁻¹² Point me down your highway, GOD;
direct me along a well-lighted street;

¹³⁻¹⁴ I'm sure now I'll see God's goodness
in the exuberant earth.

Stay with GOD!

Take heart. Don't quit.

I'll say it again:

Stay with GOD.

Supplies to gather – have everyone wear shoes/clothes for the outdoors

Instructions:

- Gather supplies and Bible
- Gather your family together
- Say: Our Psalm today is Psalm 27, let's listen together.
- Say: Today's Psalm is all about staying focused on God.
- Ask: When do you want to yell happy things to God? When in the day or week is it hard to "stay with God" or focus on God?
- Say: Our focus verses today are Psalm 27:11; 13-14. Let's read them together again.
- Say: Now we will go on a prayer walk together. As we walk, let's talk to God. Let's say our neighbors' names in prayer as we walk by their houses. Let's say prayers for businesses we see. Let's pray for the people who walk by us. Let's pray for the animals we see.
- When you return from your prayer walk, read the focus verses again to close your time.

Reminder for the Week: When you walk new places each day, like when you get to school, when you arrive at work, when you enter the grocery store, take time to remember the focus verse, "Stay with God."

Psalm 27

Light, space, zest—
that's GOD!
So, with him on my side I'm fearless,
afraid of no one and nothing.
² When vandal hordes ride down
ready to eat me alive,
Those bullies and toughs
fall flat on their faces.
³ When besieged,
I'm calm as a baby.
When all hell breaks loose,
I'm collected and cool.
⁴ I'm asking GOD for one thing,
only one thing:
To live with him in his house
my whole life long.
I'll contemplate his beauty;
I'll study at his feet.
⁵ That's the only quiet, secure place
in a noisy world,
The perfect getaway,
far from the buzz of traffic.
⁶ God holds me head and shoulders
above all who try to pull me down.
I'm headed for his place to offer anthems
that will raise the roof!
Already I'm singing God-songs;
I'm making music to GOD.

⁷⁻⁹ Listen, GOD, I'm calling at the top of my
lungs:
"Be good to me! Answer me!"
When my heart whispered, "Seek God,"
my whole being replied,
"I'm seeking him!"
Don't hide from me now!
⁹⁻¹⁰ You've always been right there for me;
don't turn your back on me now.
Don't throw me out, don't abandon me;
you've always kept the door open.
My father and mother walked out and left
me,
but GOD took me in.
¹¹⁻¹² **Point me down your highway, GOD;
direct me along a well-lighted street;**
show my enemies whose side you're on.
Don't throw me to the dogs,
those liars who are out to get me,
filling the air with their threats.
¹³⁻¹⁴ **I'm sure now I'll see God's goodness
in the exuberant earth.**
Stay with GOD!
Take heart. Don't quit.
I'll say it again:
Stay with GOD.