



Southside Uniting Church

Daily Devotions

Week beginning 18 May 2020

Throughout his life Jesus would often retreat to a quiet place to spend time alone with God. Through these times of retreat, he was enabled to return to face the most difficult demands of his ministry. The COVID-19 pandemic has increased the stress for many of us. You are invited to draw nearer and deeper to God to sustain you and bring you hope and joy.

We will produce this resource weekly for your use. Use it in ways that are most helpful to you. It might be in addition to your existing daily devotional practices. It might prompt you to commence a new practice to connect with God. You may choose to use it alone, or in the company of others.

Monday 18 May 2020

Read Romans 12:1-2

In what ways have you experienced the transforming work of the Spirit in your life? What encouragement does this give you to go forward?

Tuesday 19 May 2020

Read Genesis 12:1-3

Change can often lead us to bring God's blessing to others. It involves leaving behind that which we have valued, so that we may embrace more of what God has to offer. Has this been your experience?

Wednesday 20 May 2020

Reflect on this quote from Richard Rohr "Change is like the seasons of life, or of the year – they are cyclical and yet different each time."

Thursday 21 May 2020

Read Psalm 118:1 – 2

Considering what we have to be grateful for turns our eyes toward God and his blessings. Each day, list three things that you are thankful for. Write it in a journal. Make a list and put it on the fridge. Take pictures. Post it to Facebook. Remind yourself and others that there is much to be thankful for.

Friday 22 May 2020

Read Mark 1:14-15

Change is a core part of Jesus' announcement of the coming kingdom of God. 'Repent' in the Greek means 'change your mind'. What is it that God is calling you to 'change your mind' about? Ask his Spirit for the courage to leave behind what you know and embrace what he's calling you to.

Saturday 23 May 2020

In preparation for worship tomorrow, read Galatians 3:26-28. What is one new thing that stands out for you. What is one question that you have as you read this passage?

