

Southside Uniting Church

Daily Devotions

Week beginning 4 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 4 May 2020

Read 2 Corinthians 5:15, 16

Each person we encounter is someone created in the image of God and for whom Jesus Christ lived and died. We are invited to see the image of God in each other. As you go through your day today, imagine how God sees the difficult people in your life, and see them in the same way. What difference does that make to you and them?

Tuesday 5 May 2020

"Compassionate people ask for what they need. They say no when they need to, and when they say yes, they mean it. They are compassionate because their boundaries keep them out of resentment." - Brene Brown.

Wednesday 6 May 2020

"Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who sins against us. And lead us not into temptation." Luke 11:4

Take time in prayer to thank God that he forgives your sin and seek his grace to forgive those who have sinned against you.

Thursday 7 May 2020

"Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing." 1 Thessalonians 5:11

Be intentional today about building others up by making a phone call, sending an email or writing a letter.

Friday 3 April 2020

Read Psalm 118:1 - 2

Develop a practice of listing three things each day that you are thankful for. Write it in a journal. Make a list a put it on the fridge. Take pictures. Post it to Facebook. Remind yourself and others that there is much to be thankful for.

Saturday 4 April 2020

In preparation for worship tomorrow, read Acts 1:1 - 8. What is one new thing that stands out for you. What is one question that you have about the events?

