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INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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FAMILY ALTAR

Devotional Digest
(Week 3)

CoViD-19

As CoViD-19 persists, it is our duty to join God in His mission even in the confines of our homes, by strengthening the family, interceding for one another, and seeing His glory through the times.

CICC's OIKOS Ministry hopes that through this weekly devotional digest, we share this post to fellow CICC-ers to read and discuss together in our homes as one body and in one Spirit.

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In observation of Passion Week,
we explore the events leading
to the sacrifice and death of Jesus Christ.

Spend focused time reading these devotionals
and pertinent Gospel accounts
alone or with your family.

Fasting from a meal or
abstaining from cellphone use
intensifies concentration with
and devotion to our Lord Jesus Christ.



DAY 1

PRAISING OUR LORD JESUS

ACTIVITY:

Sing a song of praise to our Lord.

READINGS:

Luke 19:28-44; Zechariah 9:9

QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

1. What was the significance of Christ's entrance to Jerusalem on a colt or donkey?
2. Why were the followers of Christ praising Him (vv. 37-38)? How can we bring forth the praises of God in the midst of today's suffering?
3. Christ wept over Jerusalem. How does He weep for the world at this time?

PRAYER: Lord God, You deserve all the praises for being the King over all the earth, even in the midst of this pandemic. Teach us to praise You, to learn to weep over the sins of humanity, and to lead others to You. In Jesus' name, Amen.



DAY 2

LOVING OR BETRAYING THE LORD JESUS

ACTIVITY:

Smell the fragrance of an expensive perfume or cologne.

READINGS:

MARK 14:1-11

QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

1. Compare and contrast Judas with the woman who anointed Jesus. What were their motivations for their actions?
2. In what ways do we betray Christ in our life?
3. In what ways might we show our love for Christ?

PRAYER: Heavenly Father, we ask that You check our motives in serving and loving You. Forgive us when we do so from selfish motives. May we surrender our lives to You that we may be drawn closer to Your heart, through Christ our Savior and Lord, Amen.



DAY 3

REMEMBERING THE SACRIFICE OF CHRIST

ACTIVITY:

Light a candle in your home to remember the Passover.

READINGS:

Exo. 12:21-30; John 1:29; 1 Cor. 5:7-8; Matt. 26:26-29

QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

1. The blood on the doorpost averted the wrath of the Angel of God as he passed over that home, saving that family from the tenth plague. How does the blood of Christ, our Lamb, deliver us from death?
2. How can you compare the plague to this pandemic?
3. What can we do to prepare ourselves spiritually should the pandemic affect us personally?

PRAYER: Lord Jesus, the Lamb that takes away our sin, we trust in Your perfect sacrifice that saves us from the penalty of sin. May we never forget our redemption from slavery just as You had set Your people free long ago. In Jesus' name, Amen.



DAY 4

PRAYING WITH THE LORD JESUS

ACTIVITY:

Go to a nature park, a garden, or your backyard.

READINGS:

LUKE 22:39-46

QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

1. What did Christ ask from his disciples in the Garden of Gethsemane?
2. How does prayer help us when we undergo temptation?
3. How did surrendering to the will of the Father allow Jesus to face the cross? What should our prayer be in these crisis moments?

PRAYER: Gracious God, forgive us! We are weak because we do not pray as we should. These times of desperation call for greater times of prayer. We surrender our wills to You and with resolve face whatever lies before us. In Jesus' precious name, Amen.



DAY 5

DYING WITH JESUS

ACTIVITY:

Watch a short YouTube video on Christ's crucifixion.

READINGS:

Matthew 27:32-50; Romans 6:8-10

QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

1. When Christ said that God had forsaken Him, what was He experiencing at the cross?
2. Why did Christ have to die? Why couldn't He just absolve all our sins with one word?
3. Christ not only saved us from sin's penalty. What else does the cross teach about ourselves? How can we live differently amidst this pandemic?

PRAYER: Dear Lord, thank You for Your precious sacrifice on the cross. On this Good Friday, we ponder the greatness of Your love. Our gratitude compels us to share Your grace and mercy as we have experienced them. In Jesus' name, Amen.

