



THE WELL

**LENT
DEVOTIONAL
2020**



“HE MUST INCREASE, BUT I MUST DECREASE.”
(JOHN 3:30)

INTRODUCTION

*“John answered them, ‘I baptize with water, but among you stands one you do not know, even he who comes after me, the strap of whose sandal I am not worthy to untie.’”
(John 1:26-27)*

Welcome to The Well's 2020 Lent Devotional! In the passage above, we have a man named John the Baptist. From the powerful and wonderful things he did to the way he dressed (in camel's hair) and the way he ate (locusts and wild honey), there's no denying that John was someone who lived a radical life for Jesus. Despite all the things he did though, John understood that his primary calling was to prepare the way for Christ, knowing that He would be the One who would come to take away all sins.

During John's ministry, people flocked from all over to see him and asked who he was and what his story was about. As people followed John, they started proclaiming him to be the Savior. That brings us to the passage above where John denies those claims saying that he's not worthy of the One who is to come. He went on to point others toward the Messiah Jesus instead, preaching a message of repentance from sin.

Sin tells us we honor ourselves, our needs, and our desires, more than we worship, love, and honor God. Sin tells us that we, in fact, believe ourselves to be our own Christ. John's declaration of Jesus' identity is an act of repentance where he is taking himself off of the throne and showing that *only Jesus* is worthy of worship. John is not the Messiah, not even close, and he knew someone greater was coming. With this in mind, John called people to repent from their sins and prepare for the Messiah: *the better one to come*. Instead of living for himself, John intentionally set his hope and trust in the One who is greater.

John preparing the way for Jesus is the heart of Lent. It serves as a reminder to prepare, reflect, and make room for the way of the Lord in our lives. It calls us to make room for Him in our thoughts, days, activities, and affections. It leads us to sit at the feet of God where we realize our imperfections and are reminded of our need for the One who is mightier and greater than us. As we reflect on who we are and what Jesus has done for us, it will stir up our affections to be more in awe and in love with Jesus. John's message still rings true for us today as we prepare the way for the Lord to come!

Traditionally, the Lenten season is a time where we give up comforts that we often find ourselves depending on more than we depend on Jesus. This year, however, we want to have a heart like John the Baptist, who didn't only give up things, but also actively prepared for Jesus. As a church, rather than giving up something, we want to prepare, or *add* things to make way and room for our great Savior. That means giving God our *all* – our devotion, our time, and our heart. Rather than give up *for God*, let's give things *to God*, using this time to prepare by taking our eyes off of ourselves and looking towards our need for Jesus.

As we prepare for the celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday, our prayer is that your time spent in this devotional over the next 40 days will serve you well and help you grow in affection and devotion for Christ, our Resurrected Savior.

HOW TO USE THIS DEVOTIONAL

Below are the guidelines for using this devotional. We really want to stand under the authority of God's Word and begin to wrestle with letting His Word transform our lives. We want to dwell on the Word of God, praying that it will become like braille — that each paragraph, each sentence, each word would stand out. As a church, one of our distinctives is that we are: "Empowered by the Spirit and guided by the Word." We want to add this into our lives this season to give Him the proper space in our hearts.

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: Before each day's devotional, take 5 minutes to pray. Ask God for the Spirit to convict, move, mold, and transform your heart with the power of the living Word.

- Pray for calmness and clarity as you spend time with God.
- Pray that you would be sensitive to what the Spirit impresses on your heart.
- Pray that you will be able to see Christ in the passage, and what He's calling you to apply to your life.

TIME:

- Read the suggested passage until the Holy Spirit impresses something on your heart, or spend 15 minutes reading Scripture, whichever comes first. Take your time to prayerfully read, and write any verse (or verses) down that stick out to you. Begin to digest God's Word, and let it speak truth over your life. If you finish the passage with nothing, re-read the verses. *S-L-O-W D-O-W-N*.
- If you feel like the Spirit didn't impress anything on you after a few readings, that's okay! Write down what you appreciate or feel confused about in the passage. Was there a verse you liked? Write this down.

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: Take 10 minutes to pray over the Scripture. Ask the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel over your life.

- Pray over the verses you wrote.
- Pray over the convictions and areas where you need to apply the Word of God.
- Pray that the Spirit will remind you of the truths of Jesus during your day.
- Pray that the Spirit will lead conversations with people over your revelation.

COMMUNITY: We want you to be intentional in sharing God's Word with others. Share the verses that you wrote down with your family members, mentors, disciples, co-workers, roommates, spouses, neighbors, and anyone else you reach out to! Every day, write down someone you want to talk to about what you read and learned from the reading. Be in prayer about who you need to share the Word with. They can be Christians, non-Christians, or even someone you haven't talked to in years. Listen to the Holy Spirit here. Remember, He designed us for community.

EXAMPLES

Below are two examples of what a devotional time might look like.

EXAMPLE 1:

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *God, will You begin to transform my heart and let this Word become a foundation in my life? Give me wisdom and discernment as I begin to unpack Your Word. Open my eyes to wonder and may Your Spirit give me eyes to see the glimpses of Your glory that I cannot see on my own. Make me a doer of Your Word, reminding of your grace, that produces change in my life. I pray that Your Word would manifest an ever-quenching thirst to be in Your presence. Help me to see Your Son, Jesus, in this passage, and let me be able to see areas in my life where I need to be reminded of the Gospel. Let me hear Your voice as I begin to read. Thank you.*

*In Jesus' name I pray,
Amen.*

DEVOTIONAL: Read Titus 2

What verses stick out? Write them down!

V 11 For the grace of God has appeared, **bringing** salvation for all people.

*Christmas! The grace of God appears in His Son Jesus to **BRING** salvation, that heaven would come down in Jesus to save me!*

V 12 Training us to **renounce** ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age,

*God, what does this mean to “**renounce** ungodliness, and worldly passions”? Help me to see my heart that I may not tolerate ungodliness but renounce it.*

V 13 waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,

*Help me to **LONG** for the second coming of Jesus.*

V 14 who gave Himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession who are zealous for good works.

As Christ gave up all of Himself to redeem me, help me see the sin in my heart and give up all things for His glory.

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Father, will you help me realize the power of what it means for Jesus to bring salvation to me. That Jesus would give up all things to come into this world to bring salvation to me. Help me understand the power of His love that I too will love people like this. That you will give me the courage to examine my heart and renounce the sins that are in my life. That with anticipation I will **LONG** for Jesus' second coming, preparing my life and heart, to bring salvation to people through Your Son, Jesus Christ. I am so thankful for the promises and joy of being in life with a Savior and Father who loves me; I pray that the Spirit will convict my heart to do good works.*

*I thank you, in Jesus' name,
Amen.*

COMMUNITY: I will share this with Josh when we meet up for discipleship, being reminded of the joy of keeping our eyes on Christ.

EXAMPLE 2:

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Father God, I thank You for time with You this morning. I thank You for giving me another day in which I can live. I know You sustain the very breath in my lungs, and so I praise you for today. Spirit, I pray that you would open up my eyes to what You want me to see today. Show me what my soul needs, and let me find strength in You. Thank You for the Scriptures; I pray they would speak, even now. Let me see You even more clearly, Christ.*

*In Jesus' name,
Amen.*

DEVOTIONAL: Read 1 Timothy 1
What verses stick out? Write them down!

Immortal – Wow, what a powerful word! God is immortal. He can never die. Nothing can kill Him. He has lived forever, and He will live forever! “Immortal,” as a noun, is defined as: “an immortal being, especially a god of ancient Greece or Rome.” I know Paul is writing in this context, so I wonder if this was even intentional there. He is far higher than those false gods. They cannot live forever because they have never even lived! Yet, our God is immortal.

Yet, in great mystery, our God did die in Jesus... Jesus experienced death so that we, who are *very mortal*, may now experience the immortality that is found in God. We will now live forever as well. Praise Jesus! This unreachable word, this thing our soul longs for, immortality, it is found in God, and now, because God is found in us, we have this as well.

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Jesus, thank You for giving me immortality. I will never die. In fact, in John 8 you promised this. That all who believe in you will never actually experience death. We will go from temporary life, to eternal life. You are good.*

Father, I pray that I would think on this today and worship you for who you are. Spirit, I pray that you would also remind me that this immortality is only found in you. That those who reject you will not live forever, but they will die, forever. Let me be bold in sharing with them the One who holds eternity in His hands. I love you, beautiful Savior. I thank you for this day.

*In Jesus' name,
Amen.*

COMMUNITY: I will share this with my wife, and just let her know how I was encouraged. I will also seek to share this with James. I'm not sure how to bring this up, but I want him to know God. I will pray that God opens doors, and that I can even just share that I was encouraged by that truth in the Bible today!

DAY 1: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Read Matthew 4:1-11
What verses stick out? Write them down!*

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 2: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Read Isaiah 6
What verses stick out? Write them down!*

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life..*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 3: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Read Matthew 3
What verses stick out? Write them down!*

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 4: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Read Daniel 1*
What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 5: MONDAY, MARCH 2

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Read Psalm 27
What verses stick out? Write them down!*

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 6: TUESDAY, MARCH 3

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Read Matthew 16
What verses stick out? Write them down!*

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 7: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Read Ezekiel 1
What verses stick out? Write them down!*

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 8: THURSDAY, MARCH 5

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Read Exodus 24
What verses stick out? Write them down!*

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 9: FRIDAY, MARCH 6

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Read Luke 8
What verses stick out? Write them down!*

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 10: SATURDAY, MARCH 7

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Read John 3
What verses stick out? Write them down!*

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 11: MONDAY, MARCH 9

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Read Genesis 3
What verses stick out? Write them down!*

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 12: TUESDAY, MARCH 10

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Read Exodus 20
What verses stick out? Write them down!*

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 13: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Read Habakkuk 3*
What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 14: THURSDAY, MARCH 12

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Read Matthew 5
What verses stick out? Write them down!*

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 15: FRIDAY, MARCH 13

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Read Romans 8
What verses stick out? Write them down!*

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 16: SATURDAY, MARCH 14

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Read Luke 24*
What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 17: MONDAY, MARCH 16

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Luke 15*
What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 18: TUESDAY, MARCH 17

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *1 Peter 2*

What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 19: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Psalm 22*

What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 20: THURSDAY, MARCH 19

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *1 John 2*

What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 21: FRIDAY, MARCH 20

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Jeremiah 17*
What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 22: SATURDAY, MARCH 21

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Hebrews 12*
What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 23: MONDAY, MARCH 23

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Isaiah 9*

What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 24: TUESDAY, MARCH 24

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Isaiah 42*

What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 25: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Isaiah 49*

What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 26: THURSDAY, MARCH 26

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Isaiah 50*

What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 27: FRIDAY, MARCH 27

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Isaiah 53*

What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 28: SATURDAY, MARCH 28

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Isaiah 43*

What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 29: MONDAY, MARCH 30

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Genesis 22*
What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 30: TUESDAY, MARCH 31

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Acts 13*

What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 31: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Matthew 8*

What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 32: THURSDAY, APRIL 2

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *John 7*
What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 33: FRIDAY, APRIL 3

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *John 4*

What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 34: SATURDAY, APRIL 4

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Luke 18*

What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 35: MONDAY, APRIL 6

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Matthew 21*
What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 36: TUESDAY, APRIL 7

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Luke 22*

What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 37: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *John 19*
What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 38: THURSDAY, APRIL 9

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Luke 23*

What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 39: FRIDAY, APRIL 10

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Mark 15*
What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

DAY 40: SATURDAY, APRIL 11

PRE-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 5 minutes preparing your heart for the devotional time.*

DEVOTIONAL: *Matthew 27*
What verses stick out? Write them down!

POST-DEVOTIONAL PRAYER: *Spend 10 minutes praying over the Scripture and asking the Spirit to convict you of where you need to apply the Gospel in your life.*

COMMUNITY: *Who am I going to share this with? Who can I pray for?*

CONCLUSION

We hope this Lent Devotional was a helpful guide in your times with Jesus. Don't stop here! We'd encourage you to take this same approach with Scripture in your devotional times moving forward. Maybe try reading a gospel, or Exodus? Maybe an epistle, or the Proverbs? Invite a few people from your Community Group to read the same book together and do the same exercise, sharing weekly what you learned. Invite a co-worker to walk through the book of John with you doing this exercise in hopes that they come to believe in Jesus. Wherever you see an opportunity to share Scripture with those around you, use this!

Our prayer is that throughout these 40 days, you drew closer to God and *added* more affection for Christ in your life. We also pray that you grew closer in community with others, as you shared God's Word with them.

Let's continue to be a church who *exalts* Christ in our lives, and in the lives of others. We love you all!