

Weekly Resources

April 27– May 2

Monday, April 27

Scripture Reading | Matthew 5:44-45

Reflection | God is gracious to all people. His nature is to bless the saint and sinner. Does your life reflect the love of God to all?

Prayer | Pray for a world groaning in anticipation of Christ's second coming.

Family Application | It isn't easy to love our enemies. Why? What are some good reasons to do it? Share that it demonstrates the love of God, points others to Jesus, sets a good example for others to follow, and turns enemies into friends.

Tuesday, April 28

Scripture Reading | Luke 6:35-36

Reflection | God is also merciful. He does not give us what we deserve because of sin. Would you describe your heart and attitude as merciful?

Prayer | Pray for the families of those who have died from or are suffering with coronavirus.

Family Application | Jesus says that we are not to just force a smile and go on with our life when we are mistreated. He wants us to do good to those people. Describe how hard that is. What are some ways you can show mercy and love?

Wednesday – April 29

Scripture Reading | Luke 23:34

Reflection | Jesus prays from the cross that those who would torture Him would be forgiven since they are ignorant of their sin. Is there a difference between being ignorant of sin and unrepentant? Have you asked God to search your heart so that you will be led to repentance?

Prayer | Pray that God would heal the selfishness and ignorance that is rampant in our world.

Family Application | Jesus forgave those who nailed him to the cross. Why do we have a hard time forgiving?

Thursday – April 30

Scripture Reading | Matthew 23:37

Reflection | Jesus loves the people of the world, even when they plot to kill Him. He loves us even though we sin. Thank Him for that love.

Prayer | Pray for hearts to be opened to Jesus' love during this coronavirus crisis.

Family Application | Pretend you are a mother hen. Put a blanket over your shoulders. Gather your child close to you under the blanket. Explain to them that this is how Jesus wants to protect and care for them. How can we thank Him for that love?

Friday, May 1

Scripture Reading | 1 John 1:8-9

Reflection | We use these words to prepare our hearts for confession. God hates sin and wants to turn us away from it. What sin might God be moving you to confess? Take it to Him.

Prayer | Pray for the health of our doctors, nurses, aides, and first responders.

Family Application | Have you ever walked in the house with muddy shoes? It's evidence that sticks and is a mess. In life we get muddy with sin and it sticks to us. Luckily sin, like mud, isn't permanent or it doesn't have to be. Ask God to forgive you.

Saturday – May 2

Scripture Reading | John 3:16-17

Reflection | God desires that all would be saved and come to a knowledge of the truth. He died for the sins of all people. To whom is God moving you to speak this word of His love?

Prayer | Pray that people will open their hearts to all of the opportunities to hear His Word this weekend.

Family Application | John 3:16 is one of the most important verses. It's a message of God's love for all, to save us from our sins. We all NEED saving! Who can you share this life changing gift with?