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**JESUS**

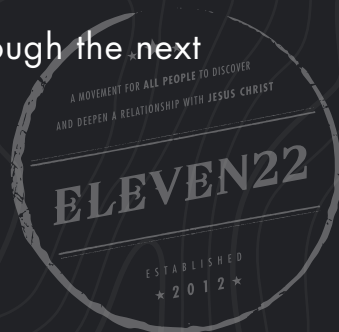
THE CHURCH OF  
**Eleven22**

## *Welcome to the family!*

We are so happy you are here and are taking a next step of faith by discovering who Jesus is. Being a Christ follower means that Jesus is your Savior and your friend; He invites you into a personal relationship with Him. Being a Christ follower is not based on how good you are, but it is based on who Jesus is and what He has done for you through His life, death and resurrection.

We want to encourage you with the Word of God and help you get connected with other Christ followers. We know that you may have lots of questions and we want to help answer some of those. We also want to help you be intentional each day with God and His Word. We are praying for you as you walk through the next 21 days.

– The Church of Eleven22 Staff



## GETTING STARTED

We're so excited that you have surrendered your life to the Lordship of Jesus Christ and are part of the faith family. Our hope over the next 21 days is that you will discover Jesus in a personal, intimate way. We know you may have a lot of questions about this decision you've made; here are a few answers to get you started.

### How do I know my salvation is secure?

The Bible tells us we will be saved if we:

A - Admit we are sinners (Romans 3:23, 6:23)

B - Believe in Jesus (John 1:12)

C - Confess that Jesus is Lord and you will be saved (Romans 10:9)

If you recognize and admit your sinful nature, believe in Jesus as your only hope and confess that you are turning lordship of your life over to Jesus then you are saved! And once you admit, believe and confess, you can never lose your salvation.

### Is there any sin that is unforgivable?

Yes, there is only one; to blaspheme or speak against the Holy Spirit is unforgivable (Matthew 12:31-32). Essentially, to reject the Holy Spirit means you reject Christ and His offer of salvation.

### What is the Gospel?

The gospel is the good news of Jesus' life, death and resurrection.

### What is prayer?

Prayer is a conversation with God. Good conversations involve listening as well as speaking. God wants you to talk to Him and He wants to talk to you.

## How do I pray?

Start talking to God. It may seem weird at first, but God desires to have a close relationship with you and wants to hear from you and talk to you. He cares about you and will listen to you. The Lord's Prayer teaches us first to praise and thank God, then to ask God to provide, then to confess and turn away from our sin and lastly to ask God for protection from temptation. (Matthew 6:9-13)

## When should I pray?

Because God is with you all the time through the Holy Spirit living inside of you, you can pray whenever and wherever! Developing good rhythms of prayer time will help you grow in your faith.

## What is the Bible?

The Bible is not just a book of stories, rather it is one true message told over thousands of years by various authors inspired by God Himself. The purpose of the Bible is to reveal the character of God so that mankind can know Him and His salvation plan through the work of Jesus Christ.

## How do I learn to use the Bible?

There are four primary ways to interact with the Bible:

1. Read God's Word (Revelation 1:3)
2. Listen to God's Word (Romans 10:17)
3. Meditate and memorize God's Word (Psalm 119:11)
4. Study God's Word (Acts 17:11)

## How often should I read the Bible?

Every day! The Bible is a light to our path (Psalm 119:105) and food for our soul (Deuteronomy 8:3). Daily reading of God's Word is the best way to grow in your relationship with Christ.

## What if I don't own a Bible?

Feel free to grab one at any of our campuses. These Bibles are a gift for you to have and keep. Our prayer is that you will grow daily in your desire to read God's Word.

In this devotional, we'll use the R.E.A.P. method to study the Word.

## READ - EXAMINE - APPLY - PRAY

**Read - Open your Bible and ask the Holy Spirit to teach, correct and train you (2 Tim. 3:16).**

As you're reading ask these questions:

- What is happening in this passage? What is emphasized or repeated?
- What does this passage tell me about God? What does it tell me about mankind?

**Examine - Spend some time reflecting.**

Ask yourself these questions and write down your thoughts:

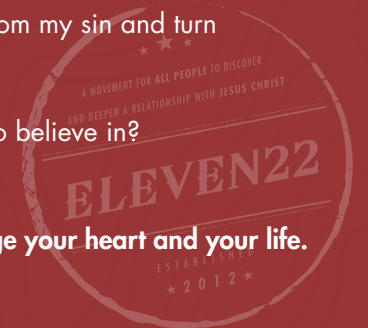
- What did I learn about God's character?
- What wrong beliefs did I have about God and myself?

**Apply - After examining the passage apply the text to your own life.**

Ask yourself these questions and write down your thoughts:

- What do I need to repent from (turn from my sin and turn towards God)?
- What truths from the Bible do I need to believe in?

**Pray - Talk to God and ask Him to change your heart and your life. Listen to what God has to tell you.**



## DEFINITIONS

Here at Eleven22 you'll hear these words a lot. They are part of the good news of Jesus Christ and His finished work on the cross.

**METANARRATIVE** - an overarching storyline that flows through the books of the Bible, tying them together into the one big story of salvation.

**SIN** - rebellion against God and what He has revealed about Himself in the Bible.

**MERCY** - God not giving us what we deserve (death and separation from Him).

**GRACE** - God giving us what we do not deserve (Himself and eternal life with Him).

**PROPITIATION** - a payment that satisfies. Jesus' death on the cross was a propitiation for our sin.

**GOSPEL** - "Good News" It is the good news of Jesus' life, death and resurrection.

**SURRENDER** - to submit to God's authority and acknowledge you need Him as Lord of your life.

**RIGHTEOUSNESS** - Right standing before God. Standing blameless before God in spite of our sin because of Jesus' death on the cross.

**JUSTIFICATION** - when you are declared righteous before God. Think "just as if I'd never sinned."

**SANCTIFICATION** - happens through the Holy Spirit allowing us to deepen our understanding of how loved we are by God. Over time we start to think and act more like Jesus.

**THE TRINITY** - the Godhead consisting of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit; they all co-exist, are co-equal and are co-eternal.

**TESTIMONY** - the story of your life before you surrendered to Jesus, when you met Jesus and as a follower of Christ now.

*For we are his  
workmanship, created  
in Christ Jesus for good  
works, which God  
prepared beforehand, that  
we should walk in them.*

**- Ephesians 2:10**

## **21-DAY DEVOTIONAL**

Each day you're doing your devotional,  
pray that the Holy Spirit will meet you there  
and enrich your time.



# DAY 1

## [R] Read John 1 (ESV - English Standard Version)

### [E] Examine the Scripture and fill in the blanks.

Write down anything that sticks out to you on the lines below.

In the beginning was the \_\_\_\_\_, and the Word was with God, and the Word was \_\_\_\_\_. The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the \_\_\_\_\_ of God, who takes away the \_\_\_\_\_ of the world!

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### [A] Apply

Jesus said to the first disciples "follow me." True and eternal life could only be found in a relationship with Jesus and Jesus invited the disciples to enter into that. He extends the same invitation to us. Following Jesus does not mean life is better, but it is about Jesus being better than life itself.

What needs to change in your life so you can follow Jesus closer?

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### [P] Pray

Prayer is having a conversation with God. God wants us to pray from the heart. Below is an example of a prayer. Read the prayer several times and then take time to say it in your own words to God.

O Lord, who hast mercy upon all, take away from me my sins,  
and mercifully kindle in me the fire of thy Holy Spirit.  
Take away from me the heart of stone,  
and give me a heart of flesh,  
a heart to love and adore thee,  
a heart to delight in thee,  
to follow and to enjoy thee,  
for Christ's sake.

*(Ambrose of Milan, 339-97)*



## DAY 2

### [R] Read John 2 (ESV)

### [E] Examine the Scripture and fill in the blanks.

Write down anything that sticks out to you on the lines below.

This, the first of his \_\_\_\_\_, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee,  
and manifested his glory. And his disciples \_\_\_\_\_ in him.

When therefore he was raised from the \_\_\_\_\_,  
his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they  
\_\_\_\_\_ the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

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### [A] Apply

Jesus does the first of His miracles by turning water into wine.  
He then foreshadows the miracle of His death and resurrection by  
telling the Jews that He would destroy His body and raise it up in  
three days.

What miracle have you witnessed? Thank God for that miracle  
and share that experience with someone this week.

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the heart. Below is an example of a prayer. Read the prayer several  
times and then take time to say it in your own words to God.

I will remember the deeds of the LORD;  
yes, I will remember your wonders of old.  
I will ponder all your work,  
and meditate on your mighty deeds.  
Your way, O God, is holy.  
What god is great like our God?  
You are the God who works wonders;  
you have made known your might among the peoples.

(Psalm 77:11-14)

## DAY 3

### [R] Read John 3 (ESV)

### [E] Examine the Scripture and fill in the blanks.

Write down anything that sticks out to you on the lines below.

"For God so \_\_\_\_\_ the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to \_\_\_\_\_ the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of \_\_\_\_\_."

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### [A] Apply

God's great love was shown to us by Christ dying for our sins. Believing is not just knowing this, but it is trusting that Jesus' death counted for you. There is no condemnation for those who put their trust in Christ.

What truth from God do you need to believe about yourself? (You are forgiven, you are a new creation, you are not defined by your past?)

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O God, seeing as there is in Christ Jesus an infinite fullness of all that we can want or desire, may we all receive from him, grace upon grace; grace to pardon our sins, and subdue our iniquities; to justify our persons and to sanctify our souls; and to complete that holy change, that renewal of our hearts, Which will enable us to be transformed into the blessed image in which you created us. O make us all acceptable to be partakers of the inheritance of your saints in light. Amen.

(John Wesley, 1770)



## DAY 4

### [R] Read John 4 (ESV)

### [E] Examine the Scripture and fill in the blanks.

Write down anything that sticks out to you on the lines below.

Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this \_\_\_\_\_ will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to \_\_\_\_\_ life."

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### [A] Apply

Water is necessary for life and we depend on it for survival. Jesus says that His water brings eternal life and He offers it as a free gift to us. We depend on Jesus because we know He is everything we need.

How do you need to depend on God?

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### [P] Pray

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May the Strength of God pilot us.  
May the Power of God preserve us.  
May the Wisdom of God instruct us.  
May the Hand of God protect us.  
May the Way of God direct us.  
May the Shield of God defend us.  
May the Host of God guard us.  
Against the snares of the evil ones.  
Against temptations of the world.

May Christ be with us!  
May Christ be before us!  
May Christ be in us,  
Christ be over all!  
May Thy Salvation, Lord,  
Always be ours,  
This day, O Lord, and evermore. Amen.

(St. Patrick, 5th century)

## DAY 5

### [R] Read John 5 (ESV)

### [E] Examine the Scripture and fill in the blanks.

Write down anything that sticks out to you on the lines below.

Jesus said to him, "Get up, take up your bed, and \_\_\_\_\_."  
And at once the man was \_\_\_\_\_, and he took up his  
bed and walked.

Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and  
\_\_\_\_\_ him who sent me has eternal life. He does not  
come into judgment, but has passed from \_\_\_\_\_ to life.

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### [A] Apply

Jesus did not ignore the helpless man, but spoke to him directly. Jesus did not require the man to clean himself up before healing him. It was actually impossible for the man to do so. Jesus showed His authority to heal because He was God in the flesh.

Where in your life do you need healing?

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May God the Father bless you, God the Son heal you, God the Holy Spirit give you strength. May God the holy and undivided Trinity guard your body, save your soul, and bring you safely to his heavenly country; where he lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

(The Book of Common Prayer, For Health of Body and Soul)

This day, O Lord, and evermore. Amen

(St. Patrick, 5th century)

## DAY 6

### [R] Read John 6 (ESV)

### [E] Examine the Scripture and fill in the blanks.

Write down anything that sticks out to you on the lines below.

Jesus said to them, "I am the \_\_\_\_\_ of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never \_\_\_\_\_."

After this many of his \_\_\_\_\_ turned back and no longer walked with him. So Jesus said to the twelve, "Do you want to go away as well?" Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of \_\_\_\_\_ life, and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God."

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### [A] Apply

The disciples believed that Jesus was who He said He was. When asked if they wanted to leave, we see in Simon Peter's answer that they knew there was no other place for them. They didn't have all the answers, but they knew Jesus was where life was found.

What do you need to remove in your life that is pulling you away from Jesus?

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### [P] Pray

Prayer is having a conversation with God. God wants us to pray from the heart. Below is an example of a prayer. Read the prayer several times and then take time to say it in your own words to God.

Direct us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy most gracious favor, and further us with thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally, by thy mercy, obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(The Book of Common Prayer, 57. Prayers For Guidance)

## DAY 7

### [R] Read John 7 (ESV)

### [E] Examine the Scripture and fill in the blanks.

Write down anything that sticks out to you on the lines below.

Jesus said to them, "My time has not yet come, but your time is always here. The world cannot \_\_\_\_\_ you, but it \_\_\_\_\_ me because I testify about it that its works are evil."

So there was a \_\_\_\_\_ among the people over him. Some of them wanted to \_\_\_\_\_ him, but no one laid hands on him.

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### [A] Apply

Many people did not believe Jesus was the Savior. Jesus knew there would be division among people then and now concerning Him.

What do you need to do to seek unity with other Christ followers?

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### [P] Pray

Prayer is having a conversation with God. God wants us to pray from the heart. Below is an example of a prayer. Read the prayer several times and then take time to say it in your own words to God.

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

(The Book of Common Prayer, 62. A Prayer attributed to St. Francis)

## DAY 8

**[R] Read John 8 (ESV)**

**[E] Examine the Scripture and fill in the blanks.**

Write down anything that sticks out to you on the lines below.

Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the \_\_\_\_\_  
of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in  
\_\_\_\_\_, but will have the light of life."

So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the \_\_\_\_\_, and the truth will set you \_\_\_\_\_."

**[A] Apply**

When you are not living by God's Word you are living in darkness. Lightness drives out darkness and exposes the heart. Jesus is the light that allows us to know who we are and who we belong to. As Christ followers we live by the Word of God because it is true.

Pick a verse to memorize this week and write it below.

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**[P] Pray**

Prayer is having a conversation with God. God wants us to pray from the heart. Below is an example of a prayer. Read the prayer several times and then take time to say it in your own words to God.

Lord, thou hast given us thy Word for a light to shine upon our path;  
grant us so to meditate on that Word, and to follow its teaching,  
that we may find in it the light that shines more and more until the perfect  
day; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(Jerome, 342-420)

## DAY 9

### [R] Read John 9 (ESV)

### [E] Examine the Scripture and fill in the blanks.

Write down anything that sticks out to you on the lines below.

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and \_\_\_\_\_ his eyes. So the Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, "He put mud on my eyes, and I washed, and I \_\_\_\_\_."

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind and said to him, "Give glory to God. We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "Whether he is a sinner I do not know. One thing I do know, that though I was \_\_\_\_\_, now I \_\_\_\_\_."

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### [A] Apply

The man that Jesus healed did not know all the answers, but he knew what happened to him. He knew that he was blind and Jesus healed

him and now he could see. No one could argue with the man's experience.

Write out your testimony (your life before knowing Jesus, how you met Jesus and your life after putting your faith in Jesus) and share it with someone this week.

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### [P] Pray

Prayer is having a conversation with God. God wants us to pray from the heart. Below is an example of a prayer. Read the prayer several times and then take time to say it in your own words to God.

Our Father and our God, we pray that ... we all might be conscious that Thine eye is upon us. If God can see the sparrow fall, if He has the hairs of our head numbered, we know that He watches us, that He loves us, that He cares for us, and we're told in Thy Word that He cares for us so much that He sent His only begotten Son to the cross to die that we might find forgiveness of our sins. We pray ... that Thy Holy Spirit will draw all men unto the Savior, for we ask it in His Name. Amen.

(Billy Graham, 1957)



## DAY 10

### [R] Read John 10 (ESV)

### [E] Examine the Scripture and fill in the blanks.

Write down anything that sticks out to you on the lines below.

I am the \_\_\_\_\_. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and \_\_\_\_\_. I came that they may have life and have it \_\_\_\_\_.

I am the good \_\_\_\_\_. The good shepherd lays down his \_\_\_\_\_ for the sheep.

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### [A] Apply

Jesus calls Himself the gate because He is the entrance into life. Both eternal life and abundant life here on earth. An abundant life is not based on temporary things or circumstances, but a life full of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control (Galatians 5:22-23). He also calls Himself the Good Shepherd because He loved and cared for His flock in the most ultimate way. He has died for His people.

Pick one random time this week that you will pray and thank Jesus for being your shepherd.

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### [P] Pray

Prayer is having a conversation with God. God wants us to pray from the heart. Below is an example of a prayer. Read the prayer several times and then take time to say it in your own words to God.

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures.

He leads me beside still waters.

He restores my soul.

He leads me in paths of righteousness

for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil,

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff,

they comfort me.

(Psalm 23: 1-4)

## DAY 11

### [R] Read John 11 (ESV)

### [E] Examine the Scripture and fill in the blanks.

Write down anything that sticks out to you on the lines below.

Jesus said to her, "I am the \_\_\_\_\_ and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never \_\_\_\_\_."

So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, "Father, I \_\_\_\_\_ you that you have heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out." The man who had died came out, his hands and feet \_\_\_\_\_ with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "\_\_\_\_\_ him, and let him go."

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### [A] Apply

Jesus beat death when He rose from the grave three days after He died on the cross. He showed the world that nothing could hold Him down. Not evil, not man, not even death. He also gives His followers the same power in knowing that sin no longer rules their lives, but they have been made new. He commands them to not live in their grave clothes, but to walk in the newness of their salvation.

What is something (a sin, practice, etc.) that you need to leave behind as you journey toward Christ?

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### [P] Pray

Prayer is having a conversation with God. God wants us to pray from the heart. Below is an example of a prayer. Read the prayer several times and then take time to say it in your own words to God.

Lord Jesus, let our minds rest in your Word, so that when doubt and grief would overwhelm us, faith will open our eyes to see your hand at work in our life and enable us to turn toward the future with hope and toward each other in perfect charity. Amen.

(St. Augustine, 354-430)

## DAY 12

### [R] Read John 12 (ESV)

### [E] Examine the Scripture and fill in the blanks.

Write down anything that sticks out to you on the lines below.

And Jesus cried out and said, "Whoever \_\_\_\_\_,  
believes not in me but in \_\_\_\_\_. And whoever sees  
\_\_\_\_\_ sees \_\_\_\_\_. I have come into the  
world as \_\_\_\_\_, so that whoever \_\_\_\_\_  
may not remain in \_\_\_\_\_."

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### [A] Apply

Jesus was unlike the Pharisees and patriarchs of His time or before; He was not just a man sent by God or a friend of God, He was mysteriously something more. Someone divinely one with God the Father. To know and have faith in Christ is to know and have faith in God, to come out of the darkness and into the light.

In the past, what were your thoughts associated with Jesus? After surrendering your life to Jesus and reading Scripture, what are your thoughts associated with Jesus now?

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Look upon us, O Lord,  
and let all the darkness of our souls  
vanish before the beams of thy brightness.  
Fill us with holy love,  
and open to us the treasures of thy wisdom.  
All our desire is known unto thee,  
therefore perfect what thou hast begun,  
and what thy Spirit has awakened us to ask in prayer.  
We seek thy face,  
turn thy face unto us and show us thy glory.  
Then shall our longing be satisfied,  
and our peace shall be perfect.

(St. Augustine, 354-430)

## DAY 13

### [R] Read John 13 (ESV)

### [E] Examine the Scripture and fill in the blanks.

Write down anything that sticks out to you on the lines below.

A new commandment I give to you, that you love  
\_\_\_\_\_: just as I have loved you, you also are to love  
\_\_\_\_\_. By this all people will know that you are my  
\_\_\_\_\_, if you have love for \_\_\_\_\_."

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### [A] Apply

As love and humility was a characteristic of Christ, so too should it be for His followers. Jesus said to love others more than ourselves and He set that model by loving us first.

How are you loving others more than you love yourself?

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### [P] Pray

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Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens,  
your faithfulness to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the mountains of God;  
your judgments are like the great deep;  
man and beast you save, O Lord.

How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

They feast on the abundance of your house,  
and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

For with you is the fountain of life;  
in your light do we see light.

(Psalm 36:5-9)

## DAY 14

### [R] Read John 14 (ESV)

### [E] Examine the Scripture and fill in the blanks.

Write down anything that sticks out to you on the lines below.

Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know \_\_\_\_\_?" Jesus said to him, "I am \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_. No one comes to the \_\_\_\_\_ except through \_\_\_\_\_."

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### [A] Apply

Jesus is the way because He is the only way to be saved from your sins. He is the truth because He is the true God and He is the life because in Him there is no condemnation, but eternal life.

Where can you improve in truly trusting Jesus as THE way, truth, and life?

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### [P] Pray

Prayer is having a conversation with God. God wants us to pray from the heart. Below is an example of a prayer. Read the prayer several times and then take time to say it in your own words to God.

God grant that under the spirit of Jesus Christ you will choose a high way. Eternal God our Father, we thank Thee for the inspiration of Jesus. Grant that we will follow His way and recognize that we are made for the high places. And grant that we will rise up out of the low, far countries of evil and return to the father's house. And now unto Him whom is able to keep us from falling and to present us faultless before our father's throne, to Him be power and authority, majesty and dominion, now, henceforth, and forevermore. Amen.

(Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., 1958)

## DAY 15

### [R] Read John 15 (ESV)

### [E] Examine the Scripture and fill in the blanks.

Write down anything that sticks out to you on the lines below.

\_\_\_\_\_ in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it \_\_\_\_\_ in the vine, neither can you, unless you \_\_\_\_\_ in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that \_\_\_\_\_, for apart from me you can do \_\_\_\_\_.

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### [A] Apply

To abide in someone is to be close to them; to cling or to stick to them, and in John Chapter 15 Jesus says it more than 10 times to His disciples. Any affection we have for Christ is subsequent to His own deep affections for us and pales in comparison. It is from this relationship where the fruit we bear as Christ followers comes from.

The equation is simple: the more we abide in Jesus, the more and better fruit we produce.

What stirs your affections for the Lord?

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### [P] Pray

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Keep me O Lord, while I tarry on this earth, in a serious seeking after you, and in an affectionate walking with you, every day of my life; that when you come, I may be found not hiding my talent, nor serving the flesh, nor yet asleep with my lamp unfurnished, but waiting and longing for you.

(Richard Baxter, 1615-1691)



## DAY 16

### [R] Read John 16 (ESV)

### [E] Examine the Scripture and fill in the blanks.

Write down anything that sticks out to you on the lines below.

I have said these things to you, that in me you may have  
\_\_\_\_\_. In the world you will have  
\_\_\_\_\_. But take \_\_\_\_\_; I have  
\_\_\_\_\_ the world.

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### [A] Apply

In the moments leading up to His arrest, Christ warns His disciples of their forthcoming persecution; an honest truth for all Christians as well (2 Timothy 3:12). As Christ followers our hope is not in the world, but it is in Christ. He is where we find peace, He is our peace! We can be fearless, courageous and take heart because Jesus has overcome the world by His resurrection.

How can you have a better attitude in the areas of suffering or adversity in your life?

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### [P] Pray

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We beseech thee, Master, to be our helper and protector.  
Save the afflicted among us; have mercy on the lowly;  
raise up the fallen; appear to the needy; heal the ungodly;  
restore the wanderers of thy people;  
feed the hungry; ransom our prisoners;  
raise up the sick; comfort the faint-hearted.

(Clement of Rome, 1st Century)

## DAY 17

### [R] Read John 17 (ESV)

### [E] Examine the Scripture and fill in the blanks.

Write down anything that sticks out to you on the lines below.

And this is \_\_\_\_\_, that they know you the  
\_\_\_\_\_ God, and \_\_\_\_\_ whom  
you have sent.

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### [A] Apply

The knowledge in God that precedes eternal life is not merely knowledge; it's knowing Him personally and deeply in one's heart. It's a knowing that expresses itself in outward love and influence. It's a knowing that never ceases.

What can you do to know God more?

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### [P] Pray

Prayer is having a conversation with God. God wants us to pray from the heart. Below is an example of a prayer. Read the prayer several times and then take time to say it in your own words to God.

Lord, because you have made me, I owe you the whole of my love; because you have redeemed me, I owe you the whole of myself; because you have promised so much, I owe you my whole being. Moreover, I owe you as much more love than myself as you are greater than I, for whom you gave yourself and to whom you promised yourself. I pray you, Lord, make me taste by love what I taste by knowledge; let me know by love what I know by understanding.

(Anselm, 1033-1109)

## DAY 18

### [R] Read John 18 (ESV)

### [E] Examine the Scripture and fill in the blanks.

Write down anything that sticks out to you on the lines below.

Then Pilate said to him, "So you are a \_\_\_\_\_?"  
Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was  
born and for this purpose I have \_\_\_\_\_ — to bear  
witness to \_\_\_\_\_. Everyone who is of the truth  
listens to \_\_\_\_\_."

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### [A] Apply

Jesus was not a king after the things of this world, but a king after the will of God the Father and the hearts of His people. Jesus reconciled people to God by coming in the flesh, dying and interceding for us.

How can you engage with the word of God more?

(Read the Bible every day, memorize Scripture, share it with others.)

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### [P] Pray

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Lord, thou hast given us thy Word for a light to shine upon our path;  
grant us so to meditate on that Word, and to follow its teaching,  
that we may find in it the light that shines more and more until the  
perfect day; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(Jerome, 342-420)

## DAY 19

### [R] Read John 19 (ESV)

### [E] Examine the Scripture and fill in the blanks.

Write down anything that sticks out to you on the lines below.

When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said,  
“\_\_\_\_\_” and he bowed his head and gave  
up his spirit.

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### [A] Apply

The dying words of Christ confirmed that all He was sent to do was accomplished. Our hope for a relationship with God and the saving grace that is in it, rests on the assurance of these words. We can read them and know that God’s will was done.

What is something you can do daily to be reminded of the finished work of Christ in your life?

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### [P] Pray

Prayer is having a conversation with God. God wants us to pray from the heart. Below is an example of a prayer. Read the prayer several times and then take time to say it in your own words to God.

Our father, we acknowledge our guilt. Be a gracious Father and do not hold us guilty, but grant us your grace so to live that your holy name may be hallowed in us. Let us in no way think, speak, do, or attempt anything unless we do so for your praise and honor. May we above all things seek your glory and not our own. Grant that as children we may love, fear, and honor you as Father.

(Martin Luther, 1483-1546)

## DAY 20

### [R] Read John 20 (ESV)

### [E] Examine the Scripture and fill in the blanks.

Write down anything that sticks out to you on the lines below.

Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see \_\_\_\_\_; and put out your hand, and place it in \_\_\_\_\_. Do not disbelieve, but \_\_\_\_\_." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you \_\_\_\_\_ because you have seen me? \_\_\_\_\_ are those who have \_\_\_\_\_ and yet have \_\_\_\_\_."

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### [A] Apply

Doubts do not disqualify you from God's salvation. Even the disciples that walked next to Jesus had doubts. Faith is believing what you cannot see and as your relationship with Jesus grows and deepens over time, so too will your faith.

What are some of your doubts about Jesus?

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### [P] Pray

Prayer is having a conversation with God. God wants us to pray from the heart. Below is an example of a prayer. Read the prayer several times and then take time to say it in your own words to God.

Give me a deeper trust, that I may lose myself to find myself in You, the ground of my rest, the spring of my being. Give me a deeper knowledge of Yourself as savior, master, lord, and king. Give me deeper power in private prayer, more sweetness in Your Word, more steadfast grip on its truth. Give me deeper holiness in speech, thought, action, and let me not seek moral virtue apart from You.

(Charles Spurgeon, 1834-1892)

# DAY 21

## [R] Read John 21 (ESV)

## [E] Examine the Scripture and fill in the blanks.

Write down anything that sticks out to you on the lines below.

He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you \_\_\_\_\_ me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I \_\_\_\_\_ you." Jesus said to him, "\_\_\_\_\_."

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## [A] Apply

Jesus tells us to "go therefore and make disciples of all nations" (Matthew 28:19). As Christ followers we are to be at work for His purpose wherever we go and in whatever we do. You are part of His rescue team by helping others discover and deepen their relationship with Jesus.

How can you get involved and take your next step of faith?

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## [P] Pray

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"Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our debts,  
as we also have forgiven our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil."

(Matthew 6:9-13)



## NEXT STEPS

### Get baptized:

Baptism is the next step of faith after surrendering your life to Jesus Christ. It is your public proclamation of the inward work by Christ and the outward confession of Him as Lord and Savior.

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### Join a Disciple Group:

The Church of Eleven22 Disciple Groups are community-based, Gospel-centered gatherings where people discover and deepen a relationship with Jesus Christ. They meet weekly at locations all over the city to discuss the weekly sermon and encourage one another in their discipleship journey.

Disciple Groups are the best way to surround yourself with fellow Christ-followers as you learn to walk out your faith every day.

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### Serve:

God has given you gifts to serve others and bring glory to Him. Serving in the church is a way we express gratitude to God for what He has done for us. It helps us to live out our faith and get connected to others. Every believer has a gift, and no matter your gift there is a place for you to serve the body of Christ.

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### Read the Bible:

Now that you've completed 21 days of devotionals, continue reading the Bible each day by following the weekly reading plan listed in the worship guide and found on the Eleven22 app.

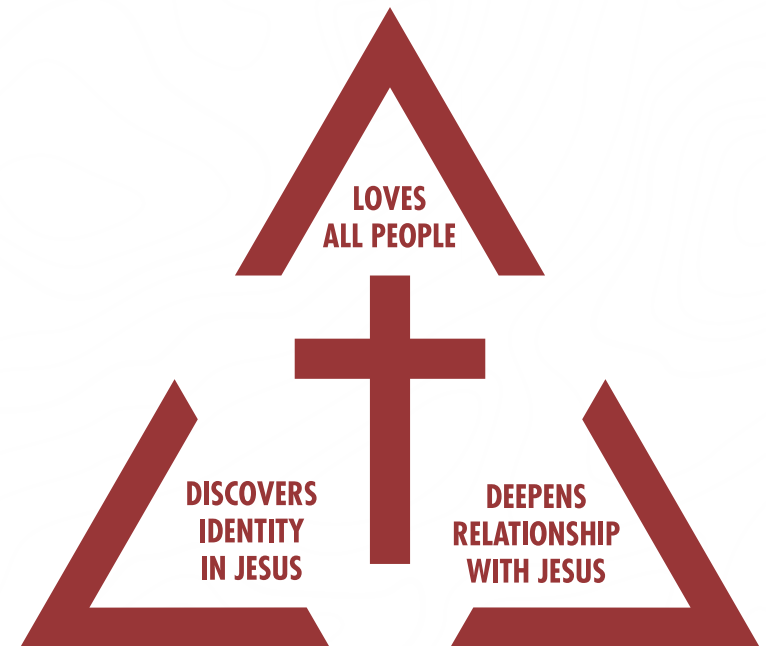
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