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**February
Week 3**

Personal and Family Devotions • Small Groups • Church meetings

1 Invocation

Make the sign of the cross and say:
In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

2 Psalm

Blessed are those whose ways are blameless,
who walk in the law of Yahweh.
Blessed are they who keep his solemn commands,
who seek him with all their heart.
You have commanded us to keep your instructions
so that we should carefully observe them.
Oh, that I would be firmly established
in the observance of your statutes!
Then I would not be put to shame
when I think of all your commandments.
I will give thanks to you with an upright heart
when I learn your righteous decrees.

Psalm 119:1-2, 4-7

Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

3 Hymns

Amazing Grace (page 5)
All Depends on Our Possessing (page 6)

4 Lessons



BIBLE BOOKS
Church Letters

Philippians

Summary Statement
Paul writes about the joy we have in Jesus
Outline
I. God's Will Brings Joy (1-2)
II. God's Peace Brings Joy (3-4)
Key Verses
1:6; 2:8; 3:8; 4:13

Colossians

Summary Statement
Paul writes about the supremacy of Jesus
Outline
I. Supremacy of Jesus (1-2)
II. Submission to Jesus (3-4)
Key Verses
3:2

Daily Readings

Su	Php 1:1-11	Php 1:12-26
Mo	Php 2:1-11	Php 2:12-18
Tu	Php 3:1-11	Php 3:12-21
We	Php 4:1-13	Col 1:3-14
Th	Col 1:15-23	Col 1:24-2:5
Fr	Col 2:6-15	Col 2:16-23
Sa	Col 3:5-17	Col 3:18-4:6



BIBLE EVENTS

Jesus' Teachings

Luke 12:13-21 ★ The Foolish Rich Man



- What did Jesus say a man's life does not consist of? (12:15)
- What did the rich man decide to do because of his abundant crops? (12:18)
- What did the rich man decide to do with the remainder of his life? (12:19)
- What did God say would happen to the rich man "tonight"? (12:20)

Luke 14:15-24 The Great Banquet



- How did the initial invited guests respond? (14:18)
- Who did the master of the house tell his servants to bring into the banquet? (14:21)
- Even after those from the streets were invited, how full was the banquet? (14:22)
- What did the master of the house say about those who initially were invited to the banquet? (14:24)

Events labeled with a star (★) are appropriate for disciples of all ages. Other events may contain more mature content.

Luke 15:11-32 ★ The Lost Sons



- What did the younger son ask his father to do? (15:12)
- How did the younger son waste his money? (15:13)
- Where did a citizen of that country send the younger son to work? (15:15)
- Why did the father celebrate when the younger son returned home? (15:24)
- What did the older son refuse to do? (15:28)

Luke 16:19-31 The Rich Man and Lazarus



- Who was Lazarus in Jesus' story? (16:20)
- What could the rich man see from his place of torment? (16:23)
- What existed between Lazarus and the rich man? (16:26)
- Who did Abraham say the rich man's brothers should listen to? (16:29)

For application: IDEA What is stated in the verse, passage or selection? **THANK** What does this verse, passage or selection make me thankful for? **CONFESS** What does this verse, passage or selection make me sorry for? **HELP** What help do I need from God to act on what I have read?



BIBLE TEACHINGS

Ten Commandments

Ninth Commandment

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not seek to get our neighbor's inheritance or house by deception or with merely the appearance of justice, but help and be of service to him in keeping it.

Tenth Commandment

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male servant, nor his female servant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that is your neighbor's.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not entice or force away our neighbor's wife, servants or animals, but urge them to stay and do their duty.

Ninth & Tenth Commandments

45. What is coveting?

Sinful desire for our neighbor's property or relationships

Romans 7:7-8; James 4:2

46. According to the Ninth Commandment, what will we help our neighbor keep and improve?

His inheritance or house

Micah 2:1-2; 1 Timothy 6:6

47. According to the Tenth Commandment, what should we urge our neighbor's spouse, servants, and animals to do?

Stay and do their duty

Exodus 23:4

Younger disciples should focus on the content in the yellow box from Martin Luther's Small Catechism.

48. What does God emphasize by having two commandments about coveting?

Sinful desires are just as evil as sinful actions

Proverbs 15:26; Micah 2:1-2; Matthew 15:19; Colossians 3:5; James 1:14-15

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5 Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

6 Prayers

Pray for your family and friends, your church, your community, your nation, your world, and your own personal needs. As you C.H.A.T. with God, remember to Confess your sins, Honor and praise God, Ask Him your requests, and Thank Him for His blessings.



Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank You, that of Your great mercy You have called us by Your holy Word to the blessed marriage feast of Your Son, and through Him forgive us all our sins. But, being daily assaulted by temptation, offense, and danger, and being weak in ourselves and given to sin, we ask You graciously to protect us by Your Holy Spirit, that we might not fall into sin. And if we fall and defile our wedding garment, with which Your Son has clothed us, graciously help us again and lead us to repentance, that we do not fall forever. Preserve in us a constant faith in Your grace. Lord, in Your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**



Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new to us every morning, and, though we have in no way deserved Your goodness, You abundantly provide for all our needs of body and soul. Give us, we pray, Your Holy Spirit, that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness toward us, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience. Lord, in Your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**



Lord God, heavenly Father, You have bountifully given us Your blessing and our daily bread. Preserve us from covetousness, and so enliven our hearts that we willingly share Your blessed gifts with our needy brethren, that we may be found faithful stewards of Your gifts, and abide in Your grace when we shall be removed from our stewardship, and shall come before Your judgment. Lord, in Your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Luther's Morning Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and all evil, that all my actions and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

OR

Luther's Evening Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

7 Blessing

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you. (*2 Corinthians 13:14*) **Amen.**

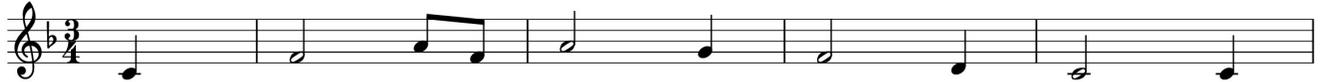
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Amazing Grace



1. A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, That
 2. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His
 3. Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
 4. Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail And
 5. When we've been there ten thou - sand years, Bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but
 Word my hope se - cures; He will my shield and
 have al - read - y come; His grace has brought me
 mor - tal life shall cease, A - maz - ing grace shall
 shin - ing as the sun, We've no less days to



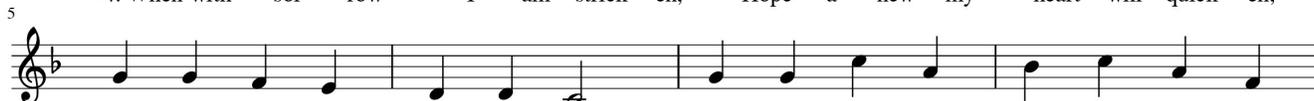
now am found, Was blind but now I see!
 por - tion be As long as life en - dures.
 safe thus far, His grace will lead me home.
 then pre - vail In heav - en's joy and peace.
 sing God's praise Than when we first be - gun.



All Depends on Our Possessing



1. All de - pends on our pos - sess - ing God's a - bun - dant grace and bless - ing,
 2. He who to this day has fed me And to man - y joys has led me
 3. Man - y spend their lives in fret - ting O - ver tri - fles and in get - ting
 4. When with sor - row I am strick - en, Hope a - new my heart will quick - en;



Through all earth - ly wealth de - part. They who trust with faith un shak - en
 Is and ev - er shall be mine. He who ev - er gent - ly schools me,
 Things that have no sol - id ground. I shall strive to win a trea - sure
 9 All my long - ing shall be stilled. To His lov - ing - kind - ness ten - der



By their God are not for - sak - en And will keep a daunt - less heart.
 He who dai - ly guides and rules me Will re - main my help di - vine.
 That will bring me last - ing plea - sure And that now is sel - dom found.
 Soul and bod - y I sur - ren - der, For on God a - lone I build.

5. Well He knows what best to grant me;
 All the longing hopes that haunt me,
 Joy and sorrow, have their day.
 I shall doubt His wisdom never;
 As God wills, so be it ever;
 I commit to Him my way.

6. If my days on earth He lengthen,
 God my weary soul will strengthen;
 All my trust in Him I place.
 Earthly wealth is not abiding,
 Like a stream away is gliding;
 Safe I anchor in His grace.