



July  
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

The works of Yahweh are great,  
**eagerly awaited by all those who desire them.**  
His work is majestic and glorious,  
**and his righteousness endures forever.**  
He does wonderful things that will be remembered;  
**Yahweh is gracious and merciful.**  
The works of his hands are trustworthy and just;  
**all his instructions are reliable.**  
He gave victory to his people;  
**he ordained his covenant forever; holy and awesome is his name.**  
To honor Yahweh is the beginning of wisdom;  
**those who carry out his instructions have good understanding. His praise endures forever.**

*Psalm 111:2-4, 7, 9-10*

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

**Chief of Sinners Though I Be** (page 5)  
**Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word** (page 6)

## 4 Lessons



### BIBLE BOOKS

OT History Books (Part 1)

### 1 Samuel

*Summary Statement*

**The story of Samuel and the reign of King Saul**

*Outline*

**I. The Last Judge: Samuel (1-8)**

**II. The First King: Saul (9-15)**

**III. The Next King: David (16-31)**

*Key Verses*

**2:2; 3:10; 15:22; 16:7; 17:45**

*Daily Readings*

<b>Su</b>	1Sa 1:1-18	1Sa 2:12-20
<b>Mo</b>	1Sa 4:5-18	1Sa 6:1-16
<b>Tu</b>	1Sa 7:7-17	1Sa 9:15-24
<b>We</b>	1Sa 13:5-15	1Sa 14:24-30,36-46
<b>Th</b>	1Sa 18:1-16	1Sa 21:1-15
<b>Fr</b>	1Sa 22:6-19	1Sa 25:23-39
<b>Sa</b>	1Sa 28:7-19	1Sa 31:1-13



## BIBLE EVENTS

### Exodus Era

#### Exodus 20:1-26 ★

##### The Ten Commandments



- What did God remind Israel that He had done for them before giving them His law? (20:2)
- What was the first commandment God gave? (20:3)
- Who were the people supposed to honor so they would live a long time in the new land Yahweh was giving them? (20:12)
- Why did the people not want God to speak directly to them? (20:19)

#### Exodus 32:1-35 ★

##### The Golden Calf



- What did Aaron fashion in a mold, and make a molded calf from? (32:3-4)
- Who did Moses ask God to call to mind as His anger burned against the Israelites? (32:13)
- What did Moses do to the tablets with God's commandments on them when he saw Israel's behavior in the camp? (32:19)
- What did Moses make the Israelites do with the golden calf that was ground to powder and poured into the water? (32:20)

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

#### Exodus 35:1-35

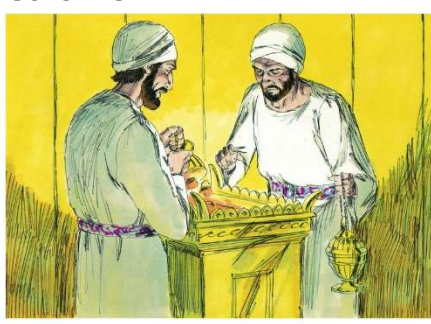
##### The Tabernacle



- With what kind of heart were the people to bring an offering to Yahweh? (35:5)
- List some of the parts and items of the tabernacle that were to be made. (35:11-18)
- Who were finely-woven garments brought for? (35:19)
- Who was called to be craftsmen in all sorts of work? (35:30, 34)

#### Leviticus 10:1-20

##### Aaron's Sons Die



- What sin did Nadab and Abihu commit that caused Yahweh to devour them with fire? (10:1)
- Why was Aaron and his other sons told not to mourn for Nadab and Abihu? (10:6)
- What were the priests to not drink when entering the tent of meeting? (10:9)
- Who burned the sin offering instead of eating it? (10:16-17)

**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

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

#### Third Commandment

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

*What does this mean?*

We should fear and love God so that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred, and gladly hear and learn it.

#### Third Commandment

##### 21. According to the Third Commandment, what must we not despise?

Preaching and God's Word

*Luke 10:16; John 8:47; Hebrews 10:25*

##### 22. According to the Third Commandment, what must we do with God's Word?

- A. Hold God's Word sacred
- B. Gladly hear and learn God's Word

*A – Proverbs 30:5; John 17:17; B – Psalm 119:72; 119:133; 122:1; Luke 11:28; John 20:31; Acts 17:11*

##### 23. Does the church still need to observe the Sabbath day of rest?

Christians are free to gather for worship on any day

*Colossians 2:16-17; Hebrews 10:25*

##### 24. Why have Christians historically chosen Sunday as the day for worship?

- A. God the Father created light on Sunday
- B. Jesus rose from the dead on Sunday
- C. The Holy Spirit came on Pentecost Sunday

*A – Genesis 1:3-5; B – John 20:1; Acts 20:7; C – Leviticus 23:15-16; Acts 2:1*

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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.*



O almighty and everlasting God, mercifully direct our ways that we may walk in Your Law, and be made to abound in good works. Lord, in Your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**



Lord God, heavenly Father, we most heartily thank You that You have caused us to come to the knowledge of Your Word. We pray that You graciously keep us steadfast in this knowledge unto death, that we may obtain eternal life. Send us, now and ever, pious pastors who faithfully preach Your Word without offense or false doctrine, and grant them long life. Defend us from all false teachings, and frustrate the counsels of all who pervert Your Word, who come to us in sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravenous wolves, that Your true Church may evermore be established among us, and be defended and preserved from such false teachers. Lord, in Your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**



O Lord God, Heavenly Father, rule and guide us by Your Holy Spirit, that we hear and receive Your holy Word with our whole heart and hallow Your Holy Day, in order that through Your Word we also may be sanctified, learn to place all our trust and hope in Jesus Christ Your Son, and following Him, be led safely through all evil, until through Your grace, we come to everlasting life. 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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# Chief of Sinners Though I Be



1. Chief of sin - ners though I be, Je - sus shed His blood for me,  
 2. Oh, the height of Je - sus' love, I high - er than the heav'n's a - bove,  
 3. On - ly Je - sus can im - part Balm to heal the wound - ed heart,  
 4. Chief of sin - ners though I be, Christ is all in all to me;  
 5. O my Sav - ior, help af - ford By Your Spir - it and Your Word!



Died that I might live on high, Lives that I might nev - er die.  
 Deep - er than the depths of sea, Last - ing as e - ter - ni - ty!  
 Peace that flows from sin for - giv'n, Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n,  
 All my wants to Him are known, All my sor - rows are His own.  
 When my way - ward heart would stray, Keep me in the nar - row way;



As the branch is to the vine, I am His, and He is mine.  
 Love that found me, won - drous thought! Found me when I sought Him not.  
 Faith and hope to walk with God In the way that E - noch trod.  
 He sus - tains the hid - den life Safe with Him from earth - ly strife.  
 Grace in time of need sup - ply While I live and when I die.



## Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word



1. Lord, keep us stead-fast in Your Word; Curb those who by de-ceit or sword Would  
2. Lord Je-sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are Lord of lords a-lone; De-  
3. O Com-fort-er of price-less worth, Send peace and u-ni-ty on earth; Sup-

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wrest the king-dom from Your Son And bring to naught all He has done.  
fend Your ho-ly Church that we May sing Your praise e-ter-nal-ly.  
port us in our fi-nal strife And lead us out of death to life.