



# Formation Devotional

July 25, 2020 Week Review

Forming Worship, Life, and Ministry Together at Christ Covenant Church

*Below is a summary of the scripture readings from this week. Take a moment to reflect upon what you read, or catch up on any chapters you may have missed. Give thanks because the Lord of the Sabbath invites you to enter into his rest.*

## Collect

Almighty God, who after the creation of the world rested from all his works and sanctified a day of rest for all his creatures: Grant that we, putting away all earthly anxieties, may be duly prepared for the service of your sanctuary, and that our rest here upon earth may be a preparation for the eternal rest promised to your people in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (BCP 99)

## Praying the Psalms

### Psalm 125

Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved. Do good, O LORD, to those who are good. Peace be upon Israel.

### Psalm 126

When the LORD brought back the captives, we were like dreamers. He has done great things. Those who sow in tears shall reap in joy.

### Psalm 127

Unless the LORD builds the house, the builders labour in vain. Children are a heritage from the LORD, the fruit of the womb a reward.

### Psalm 128

Blessed are all who fear the LORD. You will eat the fruit of your labour. May the LORD bless you from Zion all the days of your life.

### Psalm 129

They have greatly oppressed me from my youth. But the LORD has cut the cords of the wicked. May all who hate Zion be put to shame!

### Psalm 130

I cry to you, O LORD! If you kept a record of sins, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness. O Israel, hope in the LORD!

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**Psalm 131**

My heart is not proud, O LORD. I have quietened my soul, like a weaned child with its mother. O Israel, put your hope in the LORD.

**Psalm 132**

Remember, O LORD, how David vowed, "I will find a place for the LORD." The LORD has chosen Zion: "This is my resting place forever."

**Psalm 133**

How good it is when brothers live together in unity! It is like precious oil upon the head. There the LORD commanded his blessing.

**Psalm 134**

Come, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD! Lift up your hands to the sanctuary. May the LORD bless you from Zion.

**New Testament Reading****1 Corinthians 12**

Now there are various spiritual gifts, but one Spirit. If the whole body were an eye, how would it hear? You are the body of Christ.

**1 Corinthians 13**

Without love I am nothing. Love is patient, does not boast, endures all things. Tongues will cease, but faith, hope and love remain.

**1 Corinthians 14**

Tongues edifies the speaker, prophecy edifies the church. Each of you brings a hymn, a lesson or a tongue. Let all be done in order.

**1 Corinthians 15**

Christ was raised from the dead. If not then your faith is futile. But he is the firstfruits. At the trumpet we will all be changed.

**1 Corinthians 16**

Put aside an offering for the saints. I will come to you. The churches of Asia greet you. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you.

**Old Testament Reading****Numbers 27**

The daughters of Zelophehad were given an inheritance. The LORD told Moses that he was to die. Moses commissioned Joshua as leader.

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**Numbers 28**

Bring offerings each morning and evening, on the Sabbath and on the first of the month. Celebrate Passover and the Feast of Weeks.

**Numbers 29**

In the seventh month on first day sound the trumpets; on the tenth day make atonement; on the fifteenth day celebrate for seven days.

**Numbers 30**

When a man makes a vow he must not break his word. When a woman makes a vow it shall stand unless her father or husband forbids it.

**Numbers 31**

The LORD told Moses to take vengeance on the Midianites. The Israelites killed the men, burned their cities and divided the spoils.

**Prayer of Intercession**

Pray for our worship at Christ Covenant and the other churches in our community—for:

- A movement of the gospel that enables all kinds of people in all kinds of circumstances to draw near God's throne of grace to worship in spirit and truth.
- A movement of the gospel that renews the hearts of believers through repentance and faith.
- A movement of the gospel that unites and encourages believers for works of love by faith.
- A movement of the gospel that observes the sacraments by faith.
- A movement of the gospel that prays God's word.
- A movement of the gospel that sings so that Christ dwells in the hearts of believers by faith.
- A movement of the gospel that brings all kinds of people in all kinds of circumstances into Christ as their rest.

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