

Home Devotional Guide



WEEK OF NOV 2 – 6

Oak Park Baptist Church



Jesus Welcomes All

Monday, November 2nd

READ

Matthew 15:29-39

ASK

1. Why were these crowds following Jesus?
2. Why does Matthew record a second story (see Matthew 14:13-21) of Jesus feeding a crowd? (Hint: think about the audiences)
3. Like the disciples, are you tempted to doubt God's ability to work through the circumstances in your life? How can you trust him more?

SING

"Jesus Messiah"

[LYRIC VIDEO -- LYRICS]

CATECHIZE

- **Question # 12:** What does God require in the ninth and tenth commandments?
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PRAY

- Confess to God times when you do not imitate Jesus' love for all people.
- Thank God for welcoming you into his kingdom.
- Ask God to draw "undesirable" people to repent and believe in Jesus.

Monday

God Shows No Partiality

Tuesday, November 3rd

READ

Acts 10:34-43

ASK

1. What does Peter say makes someone acceptable to God?
2. What does it mean that God shows no partiality? (Hint: think about who Cornelius is from verse 1)
3. Are you tempted to think of some people as unworthy of your friendship? How can you see them as God sees them?

SING

"My Worth Is Not In What I Own"

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PRAY

- Praise God for his character as the one who shows no partiality.
- Confess to God times when you show partiality to people you find more "acceptable."
- Thank God for accepting Gentiles, like you, into his kingdom.

Tuesday

God Invites Us to Fellowship With Him

Wednesday, November 4th

READ

1 John 1:1-3

ASK

1. What is the reason that the word was proclaimed to us?
2. How was the word of life made manifest to us?
3. How can you proclaim the message of Jesus to those around you, so that they too can have fellowship with God?

SING

"Be Thou My Vision"

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PRAY

- Praise God for his relational nature and allowing us to relate to him.
- Confess to God times when you do not seek fellowship with God through his word and prayer.
- Ask God to bring your unbelieving friends and family into fellowship with him.

Wednesday

We Are United to God's People by Grace Alone

Thursday, November 5th

READ

Romans 11:17-21

ASK

1. Why should we not become proud because we have been grafted into God's kingdom?
2. Who are the branches that were broken off? Why did this happen to them?
3. How does God's unmerited grace towards you affect how you act towards others?

SING

"Jesus, Thank You"

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PRAY

- Confess to God times when you are tempted to trust in your own righteousness rather than in God's grace.
- Thank God for extending his grace to us, even though we are completely undeserving of it.
- Ask God to bring unbelieving Jewish people back into the family of God through faith in Jesus.

Thursday

We Must Call the Nations to Come to Jesus

Friday, November 6th

READ

Romans 10:9-17

ASK

1. Why is it necessary for us to take the gospel to the nations?
2. How must a person respond to the gospel to be saved?
3. How can you serve the cause of taking the gospel to all nations?

SING

"O Church Arise"

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PRAY

- Praise God for being a God who loves the nations and sent his Son for them all.
- Confess to God times when you are tempted to forget about the needs of the nations to know Jesus.
- Ask God to call missionaries into his service to take the gospel to the nations.

Friday