

Daily Devotional

Spring Faith Challenge | Week 37

This spring's faith challenge is to spend a few meditative moments with God twice each weekday, once in the morning and once before bed.

Morning

Pray: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, I start my day in your name. Guide me in your will.

Read & Reflect: On Sunday we prayed Acts 2:42-47 together. This passage is at the heart of FOF, and what we think our lives should be like.

Mon: "They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer" (Acts 2:42).

Today I devote myself to you, God. I will learn more about you, commit myself to the people of FOF, to your sacrament, and to conversations with you.

Tues: "Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles" (Acts 2:43).

Fill me with awe, O God. I will avoid distractions and fix my eyes on the miracles and signs with which you surround me.

Wed: "All the believers were together and had everything in common. Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he had need" (Acts 2:44-45).

I will be generous. I see my possessions as something entrusted to me by God for the benefit of your kingdom and others.

Thur: "Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people" (Acts 2:46-47a).

May my spiritual life be more than Sunday! I will seek out ways to connect, to worship, and to enjoy the fellowship of believers God has given me.

Fri: "And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved" (Acts 2:47b).

Give me a heart for the lost people you love, O God. I will share your good news. I will invite someone to church. I will be your witness.

Pray 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 every evil, that all my doings 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.

Evening

Pray: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, I end my day in your name. Guard me in your will.

Read:

Mon: Acts 2

Tues: Ps 146

Wed: Ps 147

Thur: Ps 148

Fri: Ps 149-150

Extra: Ps 119:169-176 (*tav*)

Pray 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.