



September
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

Have mercy on me, God,
because of your covenant faithfulness;
for the sake of the multitude of your merciful actions,
blot out my transgressions.
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity
and cleanse me from my sin.
For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is always before me.
Against you, you only, I have sinned
and done what is evil in your sight;
you are right when you speak;
you are correct when you judge.
See, I was born in iniquity;
as soon as my mother conceived me, I was in sin.
Hide your face from my sins
and blot out all my iniquities.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and sustain me with a willing spirit.

Psalm 51:1-5, 9, 12

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

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me (page 5)
Lord, Who at Cana's Wedding Feast (page 6)

4 Lessons



BIBLE BOOKS

OT Poetry Books

Proverbs

Summary Statement

A collection of wise sayings

Outline

I. A Father's Wisdom (1-9)

II. Solomon's Wisdom (10-29)

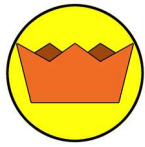
III. Concluding Wisdom (30-31)

Key Verses

1:7; 3:5-6; 8:22-23; 30:8-9; 31:10

Daily Readings

Su	Pro 1:1-19	Pro 2:1-22
Mo	Pro 3:1-18	Pro 4:14-27
Tu	Pro 8:22-36	Pro 9:1-18
We	Pro 10:1-17	Pro 15:1-17
Th	Pro 16:1-16	Pro 22:17-23:18
Fr	Pro 23:19-24:22	Pro 25:8-24
Sa	Pro 30:1-17	Pro 31:10-31



BIBLE EVENTS

United Kingdom Era

2 Samuel 6:1-23 ★

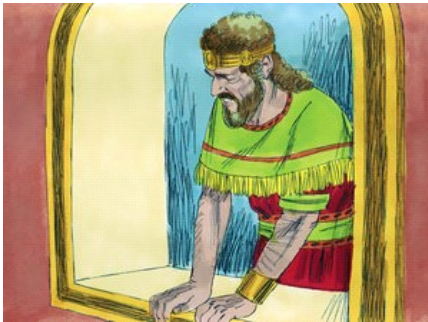
David Dances



- What was the name of the man who died when he touched the ark of God to prevent it from falling? (6:6-7)
- What was David wearing as he danced before Yahweh? (6:14)
- How did David's wife Michal feel toward David as she watched him from her window? (6:16)
- Who did David tell Michal he was dancing before? (6:21)

2 Samuel 7:1-17 ★

Yahweh's Promise to David



- What did David feel was not in a proper location? (7:2)
- What did Nathan tell David that Yahweh would do for him? (7:11)
- Who would build a house for Yahweh? (7:12-13)
- How long did God say that David's throne would be confirmed? (7:16)

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

2 Samuel 12:1-31

Nathan Confronts David



- Who did Yahweh send to David to confront him about his sin? (12:1)
- In Nathan's story, what did the rich man take to feed a visitor? (12:4)
- When David ordered that the rich man in Nathan's story deserved to die, what was Nathan's response? (12:7)
- What would be a consequence of David's sin? (12:14)

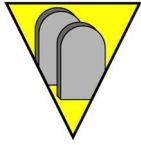
2 Samuel 15:1-6,13-18; 18:1-18

Absalom's Conspiracy



- What did Absalom want to be made (15:4)
- What did Absalom do by hearing all who came looking for judgment? (15:6)
- What was David's plan when he heard of Absalom's conspiracy? (15:14)
- What did Absalom's head get caught up in as he rode his mule? (18:9)
- Who thrust three javelins through Absalom's heart? (18:14)

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.

Sixth Commandment

You shall not commit adultery.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we lead a pure and decent life in our words and actions, and each love and honor his spouse.

Sixth Commandment

33. What is marriage?

The sacred life-long union of one man and one woman

Genesis 2:24-25; Mark 10:6-9; Hebrews 13:4

34. How is the Sixth Commandment broken?

Any thought, word, or action that disgraces or destroys the marriage relationship God intended

Malachi 2:16; Matthew 5:28; Matthew 19:6, 9; Romans 1:24, 26-27; 1 Corinthians 6:9-10; 1 Corinthians 6:18; 1 Corinthians 7:15; Titus 2:11-12

35. According to the Sixth Commandment, what must everyone do for their spouses?

Love and honor them

Matthew 19:5-6; Romans 7:2; Ephesians 5:24-25; Hebrews 13:4

36. According to the Sixth Commandment, how must our words and actions be?

Pure and decent

Matthew 5:27-28; Romans 1:26-27; Ephesians 5:3-4; Philippians 4:8

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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, You delivered Your Son for our offenses, and raised Him again for our justification. Grant us Your Holy Spirit, that He may rule and govern us according to Your will. Graciously keep us in the true faith, defend us from all sins, and after this life raise us to eternal life. Lord, in Your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**



O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. Keep us both outwardly and inwardly, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul. Lord, in Your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**



Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank You, that by Your grace You have instituted holy matrimony, in which You keep us from unchastity, and other offenses. Send Your blessing upon every husband and wife, that they may not provoke each other to anger

and strife, but live peaceably together in love and godliness, receive Your gracious help in all temptations, and raise their children in accordance with Your will. Grant that we all might walk before You in purity and holiness, put our trust in You, and lead such lives on earth, that in the world to come we may have 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.

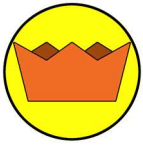
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www.projectwittenberg.org/etext/hymnals/CSB1919/CSBCollectsandPrayers.txt



Hymn Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

1. Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my-self in Thee; Let the
 2. Not the la - bors of my hands Can ful - fill Thy Law's de - mands; Could my
 3. Noth - ing in my hand I bring; Sim - ply to Thy cross I cling. Na - ked,
 4. While I draw this fleet - ing breath, When mine eye - lids close in death, When I

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 wa - ter and the blood, From Thy riv - en side which flowed, Be of
 zeal no res - pite know, Could my tears for - ev - er flow, All for
 come top Thee for dress; Help - less, look to Thee for grace; Foul, I
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 soar to worlds un - known, See Thee on Thy judg - ment throne, Rock of

sin the dou - ble cure: Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
 sin could not a - tone; Thou must save, and Thou a - lone.
 to the foun - tain fly; Wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.
 A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my - self in Thee.



Lord, Who at Cana's Wedding Feast



1. Lord, who at Ca - na's wed - ding-feast Didst as a guest ap - pear, Thou
 2. This ho - ly vow that man can make, The gold - en thread in life, The
 3. On those who now be - fore Thee kneel, O Lord, Thy bless - ing pour, That



dear - er far than earth - ly guest, Vouch - safe Thy pres - ence here. For
 bond that none may dare to break, That bind - eth man and wife, Which,
 each may wake the oth - er's zeal To love Thee more and more. Oh,



ho - ly Thou in - deed dost prove The marr - iage - vow to be, Pro -
 blest by Thee, what - e'er be - tides, No e - vil shall de - stroy, Through
 grant them here in peace to live, In pur - i - ty and love, And,



claim - ing it a type of love Be - tween the Church and Thee.
 care - worn days each care div - ides And dou - bles ev - 'ry joy.
 this world leav - ing, to re - ceive A crown of life a - bove.