

40 *days of*  
PRAYER



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A 40-Day  
SPIRITUAL  
JOURNEY

WEEK 3

## BIBLE STUDY DEVOTIONAL MATERIAL – LENT 2021

- Week 1**      **17<sup>th</sup> Feb – Ash Wednesday**  
                  **Sun 21 Feb – The Baptism and Testing of Jesus – Rev. Dr. P. Serwalo**
- Week 2**      **Sun 28 Feb – What Church is all About – Rev. Dr. P. Serwalo**
- Week 3**      **Sun 7 March – Jesus Clears the Temple Courts – Rod Ehmke**
- Week 4**      **Sun 14 March – God so Loved the World – Rev. Dr. P. Serwalo**
- Week 5**      **Sun 21 March – Jesus predicts His Death – Rev. Dr. P. Serwalo**
- Week 6**      **Sun 28 March – (Holy Week) The Death of Jesus – Rev. Bill Thompson/YMG**

### DAILY DEVOTIONALS:

**Sunday 7/3/2021: Focus: Those who have lost loved ones.**

**Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:17-18**

**For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So, we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.**

Prayer: Lord you know every wound, every joy, every fear, every dream, every failure. We ask that you heal old wounds, heal new wounds. Help us rejoice in the midst of our trials and alleviate every haunting fear. Help us to see the power of Your resurrection in our loss. Give us eyes to see where new life springs in our hearts and life, despite what we are going through and rejuvenate us when we are weak. We need You Jesus. Amen.

Memory Verse: Psalm 73:26 “My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.”

**Monday 8/3/2021: Focus: Those struggling with relationships.**

**Reading: 1 Corinthians 13:4-8 “Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonour others; it is not self-seeking. It is not easily angered; it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices in the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails.”**

Prayer: Lord, grant us a greater understanding of one another, and take away the preconceived notions and assumptions that keep us from truly communicating. Bring us closer together, and closer to you, than ever before. In Jesus name I pray. Amen.

Memory Verse: Romans 12:9 “Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good.”

**Tuesday 9/3/2021: Focus: Those looking for jobs.**

**Reading: Psalm 90:17**

**“Let the favour of the Lord our God be upon us and establish the work of our hands upon us; yes, establish the work of our hands!”**

Prayer: Dear God, we thank you that your word says that you know what we need before we even ask. I pray for myself and others who are seeking employment and trusting you to place us in the best position. We know that you have jobs for us, and we will trust you in getting us there. Amen.

Memory Verse: Isaiah 41:10. “Do not fear for I am with you; do not anxiously look about you, for I am your God.”

**Wednesday 10/3/2021: Focus: Those struggling with their health.**

**Reading: Isaiah 41:10**

**“So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.”**

Prayer: Heavenly Father, we lift up all those who are facing various illnesses. Give them the hope and courage they need today and every day. Comfort their pain, calm their fears, and surround them with your surpassing peace. Amen.

Memory Verse: Psalm 55:22 “Cast your burden on the Lord, and He will sustain you; he will never permit the righteous to be moved. “

**Thursday 11/3/2021: Focus: Those waiting for Covid test results.**

**Reading: Proverbs 3:5-6**

**“Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.”**

Prayer: Gracious God, as I wait for the results of this testing, I pray that you would build up my trust in you. Help me to have that childlike faith, believing in your mercy, your compassion, and your great power, so that no matter whether I get a good report or a bad one, I know it will be okay in your hands. Lord, you are my help and my deliverer. Amen.

Memory Verse: Philippians 4:6 “Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your request be made known to God.”

**Friday 12/3/2031: Focus: Those working in hospitals and other frontline workers.**

**Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:58**

**“Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labour is not in vain.”**

Prayer: Lord God, we ask for protection over our healthcare workers, here in our community, South Africa and abroad. Many are working with insufficient protective equipment. Lord, please provide for their needs. We pray you will protect them from Covid-19 and other ailments. We pray for their stress and energy levels, that you would fill them with your mighty strength and power. God of compassion, we pray. Amen.

Memory Verse: Matthew 11:28 "Come to me all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

**Saturday 13/3/2021: Focus: Those currently in hospital with the virus.**

**Reading: Joshua 1:9**

**"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid, do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God goes with you wherever you go."**

Prayer: Merciful God, hear our fervent prayer for all who suffer from the corona-virus. May those who are infected receive the proper treatment and the comfort of your healing presence. May their caregivers, families and neighbours be sheltered from the onslaught of the virus. Protect and guide those who strive to find a cure, that their work may conquer the disease and restore communities to wholeness and health. Help us to rise above fear. We ask all this through your Son, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Memory Verse: Psalm 91:5-6 "You shall not fear the terror of the night nor the arrow that flies by day, nor the pestilence that roams in darkness, nor the plague that ravages at noon."