



TAKING FAITH home

9 August 2015
PENTECOST 11B

THIS WEEK'S THEME:

Followers of Jesus are
promised eternal life.

mealtime prayer

We thank you, God, for
this our food; for life and
health and every good.
Amen.

verse for the week

"I tell you for certain that
everyone who has faith in me
has eternal life."
JOHN 6:47

blessing

May God bless you with
a strong faith in Jesus.
May his promise of
eternal life give you
hope, peace and joy.
Amen.
JOHN 6:47

FAITH 5



share your highs and lows of the day or discuss some of the questions from the
FOURKEYS Faith Talk.



read and highlight a passage of scripture in your Bible. These readings are
related to the Lectionary readings for this Sunday. Try to take time each day to
read the assigned Bible passage.

Sunday	John 6:35,41-51	Bread from heaven
Monday	Luke 6:20-26	You will be satisfied
Tuesday	John 4:4-13	Jesus promises living water
Wednesday	John 7:37-41	Come and drink
Thursday	Revelation 7:9-17	Never again will they hunger
Friday	Revelation 22:12-17	Whoever is thirsty, come
Saturday	Psalms 81	God will feed us
Sunday	John 6:51-58	Christ, the true food and drink



talk about how the Bible passage relates to your highs and lows or discuss
some of the ideas in **FOURKEYS** Devotional Practices.



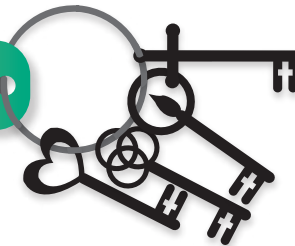
pray for your highs and lows, for your family, and for the world.



bless one another using this week's blessing or make up your own.

FOUR KEYS

for the Home



1. Faith Talk

Discuss in your household or small group:

- What do you hope to be doing in five, ten and twenty years' time?
- Jesus promises eternal life to everyone who has faith in him (John 6:47).
How do you feel about Jesus' promise?
- What difference does Jesus' promise make for your life today?



2. Devotional Practices

The circle is a common symbol for eternity. A circle has no beginning and no end. Eternal life comes from God, who has no beginning, and continues forever with him. Place a hoop on the floor or mark out a large circle. Say John 6:47 together as a household and then have one person step inside the circle to share their thoughts or feelings about the verse. While they do so, the other household members walk around the circle. Repeat until each person has shared. Then hold hands together around the circle to say a prayer of thanks for God's gift of life. Throughout the week continue the practice of gathering together in a circle for prayer.



3. Service

St. Paul reminds us that, as Christians, we work not only to provide for ourselves but so that we "have something to share with those in need." (Ephesians 4:28). Collect a household offering to support an organisation helping the poor or needy. Have children contribute from their allowances or do chores around the house to earn money to give.



4. Rituals and Traditions

St. Paul writes: "Don't let any evil talk come out of your mouths. Say only what will help to build others up and meet their needs. Then what you say will help those who listen." (Ephesians 4:29). Make an intentional effort this week to give each other compliments or words of encouragement. Set aside a minute or two for this each time you gather as a household. Pray that God will help you become more encouraging to one another and the world.



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