



## 75th Anniversary Weekly Devotionals

### Week 1 (Sept 18-24)

Each week, we will provide 5 days of Bible reading to guide you as you pray and meditate on the Bible passages and topics we're studying together as a church family. You can use the S.O.A.P. method (S.O.A.P. journals available at the Info Center) or any method you choose.

### It's All About Jesus

Life is all about Jesus. He is the creator and the center of everything. He calls us to follow him, to submit every part of our lives to his person and purposes. Take time to think this week about who Jesus is and what that means for your life.

**DAY ONE:** Look back over this week's message notes. What in Matthew 16:13-26 impacted you? Why? Read the verses again. Who do you say Jesus is? If you confess him as Lord and Savior, ask God if there is any place in your life where you are asking Jesus to bless your purposes, and not seeking to follow his purposes for your life?

**DAY TWO:** Read Colossians 1:15-20. These verses contain one of the most magnificent descriptions of Jesus in the Bible. Take time to meditate on his greatness and glory. Write down the word or phrase about Jesus that speaks to your life most deeply today. Pray these verses back to God in adoration and worship.

**DAY THREE:** Read Hebrews 4:14-16. The Bible tells us that Jesus was not only fully God, but also fully human. That means he understands everything we go through in life. Because he understands, we can always come to him and pray with confidence, knowing he will hear our prayer and meet our truest and deepest needs. What need have you hesitated to bring to God? Pray with confidence right now.

**DAY FOUR:** Read Luke 9:23 and 14:25-33. What does Jesus mean when he says we must deny self and take up our cross daily to follow him? Write down how this applies to you. Are there any specific areas in your life where you need to deny self today?

**DAY FIVE:** Read Matthew 11:28-30. Are you weary today? Do you have any burdens? Jesus wants you to come to him and give him your burdens, so he can give you his rest. He wants to teach you how to live in a way that brings freedom. Write down any burdens you are carrying and give them to Jesus in prayer now. Ask him to teach you.