

**Family Worship**  
Week of February 2, 2025

**Instruction:** Whatever time of day works best each day for you or your family, use the prompts below to spend a few minutes together in prayer and the Word. Open and close each session with a simple prayer. Use the questions for meditation or discussion.

**Sermon Meditations: Bearing Witness**

Monday

- Open in prayer
- Read: John 1:19-28
- Meditation: Pastor Nathan's first point was "Who are you?" As the news of John's ministry spreads, a group of religious leaders come to ask him some questions. John is very clear that he isn't the Christ, Elijah, or the Prophet. In the end, he tells them that he is just a voice who is making way for the coming of the Messiah. "Who are you?" is the question of seekers. This is a question we may ask of Christ. Name those things that we know to be true about Christ and meditate upon them.
- Close in prayer

Tuesday

- Open in prayer
- Read: John 1:19-28
- Meditation: Pastor Nathan's second point was "A voice in the wilderness". John is out in the wilderness, and it is an intentional location with rich biblical meaning. Where do we see the wilderness in other biblical narratives and how does God minister to his people in the wilderness? How are we still in the wilderness today? How did John prepare the way for Christ in the wilderness? How did baptism point to the need to prepare for Christ?
- Close in prayer

Wednesday

- Open in prayer
- Read: John 1:19-28
- Meditation: Pastor Nathan's third point was "Bearing witness to Christ is rooted in humility". John doesn't see himself as great in comparison to Christ. All his answers and language are to make much of Christ and humble himself before him. The Pharisee contingency and even the people who have come for baptism have yet to see Christ. How is it a comfort that Christ is among them and us in the wilderness? How are we to humble ourselves before Christ if we hope to see him and be saved by him? How may we be a voice to bear witness to Christ in the world?
- Close in prayer

**Preparing Our Hearts to Receive the Word**

Thursday

- Open in Prayer
- Read: John 1:29-34
- Meditation: What questions do you have about this text? Is there anything confusing or curious? Does anything stand out as important?
- Close in Prayer

Friday

- Open in Prayer
- Read: John 1:29-34
- Meditation: Westminster Shorter Catechism Question 4 asks, "What do the Scriptures principally teach?" Answer: "The Scriptures principally teach what man is to believe concerning God and what duty God requires of man." What does this passage teach us about God's character and work? What does it teach us about our own hearts and need for a Savior and how we ought to live in the world as followers of Christ?
- Close in Prayer