

Family Worship
Week of March 9, 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: Our True Temple

Monday

- Open in prayer
- Read: John 2:12-25; Psalm 69:1-9; Malachi 3:1-4
- Meditation: Pastor Matt's first point was "Jesus is the suffering servant foretold in the Old Testament." John's reference to Psalm 69:9 is a pointer to the Psalm as a whole. Jesus' zeal for his Father's house will bring him reproach and shame and dishonor. This passage not only shows us Jesus is the Christ of the Old Testament, but what kind of Christ he is. One who take our shame and dishonor upon himself. Can you think of any reasons this is good news for us?
- Close in prayer

Tuesday

- Open in prayer
- Read: John 2:12-25
- Meditation: Pastor Matt's second point was "Jesus is the true temple and all authority belongs to him." The Jewish leaders thought Jesus was talking about a building, but he was talking about himself. He is where God and man dwell together in peace. He will prove this through his death and resurrection (tear it down and I will raise it up). You can only find peace and fellowship with God in Jesus Christ!
- Close in prayer

Wednesday

- Open in prayer
- Read: John 2:12-25
- Meditation: Pastor Matt's third point was "You must receive Jesus as he is offered; you cannot have him according to your own imagination." The people like what they are seeing, but they don't truly understand Jesus' mission. If he let them decide his future, they would crown him king on the spot. True faith in Jesus receives him as he is, not as we wish him to be. Are there any ways you have thought about Jesus that aren't how Scripture describes him?
- Close in prayer

Preparing Our Hearts to Receive the Word

Thursday

- Open in Prayer
- Read: John 3:1-15
- 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 3:1-15
- 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