

REFLECTION JOURNAL

FEBRUARY 17TH - APRIL 4TH, 2021

SAVE THE DATES



GOODAY FRIDAY 7pm@8th&FTN



WELCOME TO THE WILDERNESS JOURNEY

Life in a fallen world is a life where we often experience the wilderness. All of us at times will wind up in a desert. It is the place of confusion and despair. We all to some extent are in the wilderness now.

It is important to understand some things about the dry and harsh places of life. Sometimes we end up there because of our own sin, and sometimes God leads us into the wilderness just like He did with both Israel and Jesus. One thing for certain is that in the time of testing, we have an opportunity for our faith to be refined. This happens best as we get our questions asked and answered.

Therefore, let us embrace the wilderness for the season of lent. Lent may not be your tradition, however this year, all of us need to take this journey. Let God refine our confidence in Him. In this season, we consider seven key questions that emerge in the wilderness. Join us as we explore God's Word, and journey through the wilderness together.



02.17.21		



TAKEAWAY: KNOW GOD IS WITH US IN THE WILDERNESS.

ACTION STEP:EMBARK ON THE JOURNEY

Each year, Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent and is always 46 days before Easter Sunday. Lent is a 40-day season (not counting Sundays) marked by repentance, fasting, reflection, and ultimately celebration. The 40-day period represents Christ's time of temptation in the wilderness, where he fasted and where Satan tempted him. Lent asks believers to set aside a time each year for similar reflection, prayer, and fasting, marking an intentional season of focus on Christ's life, ministry, sacrifice, and resurrection.

Lent Services

There will be a brief service to provide a time of reflection followed by the traditional administering of ashes for those interested.

In Person Service Times (Both Campuses): 7am | 12pm | 6:30pm

Live online at 7am. Available at forchurch.org all day.

02.21.21-02.27.21					



KEY PASSAGE: LUKE 4:1-13

TAKEAWAY:
LEARN TO DEPEND ON
GOD

ACTION STEP
THIS WEEK:
COMMIT TO A FAST OF
SOME KIND THIS WEEK

Suggestions:

- Give up a beverage you especially like until next Sunday
- Eat no solid food for a day or longer
- Give up bread for the entire week
- Give up all sweets for the entire week

02.28.21-03.06.21		



KEY PASSAGE: PSALM 38:15-22

TAKEAWAY:
LEARN WHAT TO DO
WHILE WAITING ON GOD

ACTION STEP:
DO SOMETHING GOOD
FOR SOMEONE ELSE
WHILE YOU ARE
WAITING

Suggestions:

- Volunteer at the local mission
- Write a note of encouragement to a teacher, first responder, or missionary & include a gift.
- Volunteer at a local school
- Babysit for a parent who needs a break
- Help a neighbor (i.e. shovel snow, bake cookies, etc)

03.07.21-03.13.21		

WEEK THREE-WILL GOD FIGHT FOR ME?

KEY PASSAGE: EXODUS 14:10-14

TAKEAWAY:

LEARNING WHEN TO FIGHT AND WHEN TO BE STILL

ACTION STEP:

ENGAGE IN NO FOOLISH ARGUMENT

Let's define a foolish argument just for this week as something that has nothing to do with anything other than spiritual truth. Make no controversial comment or opinionated social media post.





03.14.21-03.20.21		

WEEK FOUR-WHERE DID THAT COME FROM?

KEY PASSAGE:

MATTHEW 15:1,2; 10,11; 17-20

TAKEAWAY:

EMBRACE THE CRUCIAL NATURE OF THE HEART

ACTION STEP:

MEMORIZE PSALM 51:10

Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

03.21.21-03.27.21		



WEEK FIVE-WHAT HAVE WE DONE?

KEY PASSAGE:
GENESIS 3

TAKEAWAY:

EMBRACE THE SERIOUSNESS OF OUR SIN

ACTION STEP:

LET GOD SEARCH OUT THE HIDDEN SIN. AS SIN IS REVEALED, WRITE DOWN YOUR REFLECTIONS IN THE SECTION PROVIDED FOR THIS WEEK.

"Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting." Psalm 139:23-24

03.28.21-04.03.21				



WEEK SIX-WILL I EVER BE CLEAN AGAIN?

KEY PASSAGE:

PSALM 51:7-12

TAKEAWAY:

LEARN TO ACCEPT GOD'S FORGIVENESS!

ACTION STEP:

PLACE THE PAID IN FULL CARD IN A PROMINENT PLACE, OR CARRY IT WITH YOU.

We will be observing communion in all of our services this week.

04.02.21		



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7:00PM AT BOTH CAMPUSES

We will be observing communion during our Good Friday Services.

04.04.21			

WEEK SEVEN-WILL I LIVE AGAIN?

KEY PASSAGE: 1 CORINTHIANS 15

TAKEAWAY:
EMBRACE ETERNAL LIFE!

ACTION STEP:

WRITE OUT YOUR SALVATION STORY AND SHARE IT WITH SOMEONE.

If you have questions about your salvation, reach out to us!
Call 719-633-4659 or email your questions to Believe@forchurch.org



