



May 21, 2023, Seventh Sunday of Easter

John 17:1-11

Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



Pray: Light a candle and open your devotion time with a prayer.

Gracious God, you come to us in the mystery of the triune God—Three in One. In the words of Jesus we pray that you would make us one as you are one, that we might bear witness to your presence in the world. Amen.



Read: Read the key verse from Sunday's reading.

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him." (John 17:1-2)



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

Jesus prayed for God to love and care for his beloved disciples. His time on earth would soon end, but his love for his friends never would.



Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household.

- What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?
- Who do you have authority over? Who has authority over you? Which one feels better? How might you use your position (over or under) to bring God's word to life?
- For the littles: When have you had to say goodbye? How did it feel? What does it feel like to be reunited?



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

May God grant you wisdom to use authority wisely. Amen.



Do: By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Think of a so-called "authority figure" from your life who you like and respect. Write them a letter of appreciation for the guidance they have given you.



Go Deeper: Read and reflect on the readings for each day of the week.

Monday, May 25, 2020: Psalm 99; Lev. 9:1-11, 22-24; 1 Peter 4:1-6

Tuesday, May 26, 2020: Psalm 99; Numbers 16:41-50; 1 Peter 4:7-11

Wednesday, May 27, 2020: Psalm 99; 1 Kings 8:54-65; John 3:31-36

Thursday, May 28, 2020: Psalm 33:12-22; Ex. 19:1-9a; Acts 2:1-11

Friday, May 29, 2020: Psalm 33:12-22; Ex. 19:16-25; Romans 8:14-17

Saturday, May 30, 2020: Psalm 33:12-22; Ex. 20:1-21; Matthew 5:1-12