

Life Steps

Day 1

Luke 9:44-56 & Matthew 18:1-5

Why were James and John so angry with the Samaritan villagers? What does this reveal about their belief in what it meant for Jesus to be the Messiah? How does Jesus' teaching about the children conflict with this? In what ways do you relate to James and John?

Day 2

Psalm 39

During the season of Lent we are invited to reflect upon our mortality, the fact that one day this life will come to an end. What does this Psalm have to say about that? Why is reflecting on our mortality a healthy thing for us to do?

Day 3

James 4:7-17

Last weekend we learned we must not put off until tomorrow what we need to do today. How does this passage speak to that? Spend time identifying areas in your life where procrastination is holding you back.

Day 4

1 Thessalonians 5

What does this passage have to say about realigning our life priorities and preparing for Christ's return? What does it mean that Christ's return will be like a "thief in the night"? How does that challenge you?

Day 5

Matthew 24:36-51

Jesus gave this teaching in response to a question his disciples asked him about God's future. Despite the future, where does Jesus say our focus should be? Spend time identifying how your current priorities, passions and practices are not in line with your commitment to follow Jesus as Lord.

Day 6

Luke 9:44-56

"Jesus resolutely set his face towards Jerusalem." Why would this have been a difficult decision for Jesus to make? What was waiting for him in Jerusalem? What is your Jerusalem? What would it mean for you to resolutely set your face toward it?

Day 7

Luke 9:57-62

If we are going to maintain our resolution to move forward we are going to have to deal with our excuses. Which excuse resonates with you and why? How do the words of Jesus confront that excuse?