THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

PRAY

Lord, thank You for giving us the wisdom for fruitful living that is contained in Your laws.

READ

Exodus 19:1-20:21

REFLECT

Some people consider the Ten Commandments outdated today. What use can they have in a modern, diverse society such as ours? Which ones are most needed today?

APPLY

Reread the Ten Commandments each day this week and decide how well you are able to live by each one. Pray for help to observe any that you find difficult to obey.

PRAY

Pray that God's wise laws for living will gain greater acceptance throughout our country.

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THE GOLDEN CALF

PRAY

God, You and You alone are the true and living God, worthy of all worship, honor and praise.

READ

Exodus 32-34

REFLECT

What are some of the "things" that people you know make into "idols"? Why do you think they do that? What "idols" or false gods are most tempting to you?

APPLY

As you go through the day, be alert to and name the "idols" that people are worshipping. Be especially alert for those that tempt you.

PRAY

Lord and God, keep my heart and mind focused on You so that I never fall prey to the lure of false gods.

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JOSHUA SUCCEEDS MOSES

PRAY

Lord, I know You are always with me and I thank You that I can have the courage to face whatever comes my way.

READ

Joshua 1

REFLECT

What examples or sources of guidance do you have to rely on when you face difficult or threatening situation? How have others and God's Word helped you in the past?

APPLY

Recall someone who has been a good example or a helpful guide in your life. Thank them today, if possible, identify someone who you could help in a similar way.

PRAY

Father God, I'm grateful for those who have helped me along life's way. Help me do the same for another.

CROSSING THE JORDAN

PRAY

Show me more today, O Lord, about how to live in a way that pleases and honors You the most.

READ

Joshua 3-4

REFLECT

Joshua's men gathered stones to be a sign to future generations. What "stones" will you leave behind to testify to God's work in and through your life?

APPLY

Write a purpose or mission statement for your life. Include goals or "stones" that you want to leave as your spiritual legacy for your children and grandchildren.

PRAY

Lord, I want my life to make a difference. Show me what I can do now to leave a lasting legacy behind.

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THE FALL OF JERICHO

PRAY

Powerful God, I trust Your power and I want to learn to trust it more and more each day.

READ

Joshua 5:13-6:27

REFLECT

Have you ever felt God asking you to do something seemingly impossible? What happened? How did that experience affect your faith today?

APPLY

Write this down and put it where you can see it each day. "Be strong and courageous....do not be discouraged, for the Lord Your God will be with you wherever you go" (Josh 1:9).

PRAY

Ask God for assurance of his presence and care for you no matter what challenges you may face.