



July 11, 2021 Mark 6:14-29

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



**Pray:** Light a candle. Open your devotion with prayer.

Lord God, our savior Jesus persisted in his mission, in the face of opposition, disbelief and danger. Encourage us by his example when we encounter roadblocks, and give us the same Spirit which strengthened him, in whose name we pray. Amen.



**Read:** Read the key verses from Sunday's reading.

Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. (Mark 6:27-28)



**Reflect:** Reflect on the scripture summary.

John and Jesus were both prophets who prophesied about God's laws and God's love. John's bold words and warnings got him executed. Would Jesus be next?



**Connect:** Connect in conversation with others in your household or community.

What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?

How does the killing of an advocate for justice impact the world? Have you been alive during an assassination? What impact did it have on your community?

John risked everything for his faith. We know that risking our lives is not wise, but what might you risk for your faith? How could you be bolder?

For the littles: What makes you happy if you are sad?



**Bless:** Close your devotion with a blessing.

May God protect you as you live and grow in faith. Amen.



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

Be risky this week. Tell someone new about how your faith community helps you in your daily life. Invite them to join you.



**Go Deeper:** Go to bit.ly/daily-devotions-rcl for the daily readings!

Monday, Psalm 68:24-35; 2 Samuel 6:6-12a; Acts 21:27-39

Tuesday, Psalm 68:24-35; 2 Samuel 3:12-16; Acts 23:12-35

Wednesday, Psalm 68:24-35; 2 Samuel 6:16-23; Luke 7:31-35

Thursday, Psalm 89:20-37; 1 Chronicles 11:15-19; Colossians 1:15-23

Friday, Psalm 89:20-37; 1 Chronicles 14:1-2; Acts 17:16-31

Saturday, Psalm 89:20-37; 1 Chronicles 15:1-2, 16:4-13; Luke 18:35-43