



May 9, 2021 John 15:9-17

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



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

Loving God, you no longer call us servants, but friends. Make us true ambassadors of your love, willing to put others first and to find joy in the happiness of our neighbors, for the sake of Christ. Amen.



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

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." (John 15:12-13)



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

Jesus invited his followers to love their neighbor. Through loving, people can cultivate a deep-seated and long-lasting joy—the kind that leads to happiness and resilience.



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

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

What brings you joy? What stresses you out? How are the two are related?

What does "loving your neighbor" mean to you?

For the littles: Who is your neighbor?



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

May God overfill your cup with love for one another. Amen.



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

Stop doing something that makes you unhappy. (Or at least do it differently.)



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

Monday, Psalm 93; Deuteronomy 7:1-11; 1 Timothy 6:11-12

Tuesday, Psalm 93; Deuteronomy 11:1-17; 1 Timothy 6:13-16

Wednesday, Psalm 93; Deuteronomy 11:18-21; Mark 16:19-20

Thursday, Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 47 or Ps. 93; Eph. 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53

Friday, Psalm 47; Exodus 24:15-18; Revelation 1:9-18

Saturday, Psalm 47; Deuteronomy 34:1-7; John 16:4-11