

Book of Faith

Opening Scripture, Joining in Conversation

Monday, May 17, 2010

John 7:37-39

Jesus describes the Holy Spirit as living water, quenching thirst, overflowing from our hearts. What are you thirsty for? How is the Holy Spirit quenching your thirst?

Tuesday, May 18, 2010

Acts 2:1-21

“Jesus ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father.” On the Day of Pentecost, Jesus’ promise is realized. How is God keeping promises in your life?

Wednesday, May 19, 2010

Genesis 11:1-9

The Tower of Babel tells of the LORD scattering people and confusing language. On Pentecost, the gospel is heard in many languages, uniting us as the body of Christ. How do you feel scattered? How is the gospel drawing you in to God? Connecting you to others?

Thursday, May 20, 2010

Psalms 104:24-35

A Psalm of praise, the writer celebrates the manifestation of God’s work in the creation. How is the creation (including you!) singing praise to the Creator?

Friday, May 21, 2010

Romans 8:14-17

The Spirit makes us children of God. How is the Father caring for you, his child? How is the Father challenging you, his child?

Saturday, May 22, 2010

John 14:8-17 (25-27)

In being drawn into Christ, and empowered by the Advocate, Jesus speaks boldly of what he will do for us who are invited into God’s mission in the world. Where is God leading you into mission?

These devotions brought to you by the Southeastern Minnesota Synod Book of Faith Task Force. Find more online at www.semnsynod.org/BOF.html

The Book of Faith Initiative

Opening Scripture, Joining in Conversation

Members and friends of Bethlehem are invited to join with congregations, mission and ministry centers, and over 130,000 baptized in conversation with the Word and one another.

These devotional pages are based upon the Revised Common Lectionary texts, and are written by people you know—the lay leaders and pastors of the Southeastern Minnesota Synod. We hope you will use these to find creative ways to be engaged in the Word, so that together we might grow in fluency in the first language of faith, the Scriptures.

Use them for:

- **Bible conversations at circle meetings, youth events, dinner with six, or whatever gathering you are at.**
- **As an opening for meetings.**
- **To enhance your worship experience as you anticipate the following Sunday.**
- **Family conversations.**
- **Online discussion using the social network platform at bookoffaith.ning.com.**
- **For personal devotion and edification in the Word.**

These devotions will be made available on the Synod website, semnsynod.org, and linked on our weekly enews. A limited number will be made available each week in the church office—ask Casey or Christine to help you find them.