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Family Take-home Devotions



Nov 22, 2026, Reign of Christ: Swords Into Plowshares

Isaiah 36:1-3, 13-20; 37:1-7; then 2:1-4

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

Pray: Light a candle and open your devotion time with a prayer.

God of peace, teach us to reject the weapons of war, turn from the rhetoric of hatred, and practice the way of nonviolence, that we might lead the world into a time when your eternal reign of love and justice breaks into our world here and now. In the name of Jesus, our holy savior, friend, and ruler. Amen.

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

In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." **(Isaiah 2:2-3a)**

Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

King Hezekiah was desperate to escape the invading army of Assyria. Isaiah told him to have faith. God would deliver them peacefully.

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Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household.

- **What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?**
- **How do you suppose God decides how to arbitrate when communities are at odds with each other?**
- **When have you trusted in God at a time when trusting took great courage? How did it turn out?**
- **For the littles: Would you rather climb a tall mountain or swim in a deep ocean? Why?**

Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

May God rejoice with you on the mountaintop. Amen.

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

Keep a prayer journal. Record your prayers and how God answers.

Go Deeper: Go to clergystuff.com/daily-devotions for devotions on the Narrative Lectionary daily readings.

Monday, Isaiah 36:4-12, *Sennacherib Threatens Jerusalem*
Tuesday, Isaiah 37:8-13, *Hezekiah Consults Isaiah*
Wednesday, Isaiah 37:14-29, *Hezekiah's Prayer*
Thursday, Isaiah 37:30-38, *Sennacherib's Defeat and Death*
Friday, Isaiah 38:1-22, *Hezekiah's Illness*
Saturday, Isaiah 39:1-8, *Envoys from Babylon Welcomed*

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