JOURNEY DEASTER

THE NEXT **40 DAYS** PRESENT US WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPIRITUALLY PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR THE CELEBRATION OF EASTER. TAKE A MOMENT EACH DAY TO PAUSE AND REFLECT ON THE SACRIFICIAL LOVE OF JESUS BY USING THE PROMPTS BELOW, FOLLOWING ALONG WITH THE MARINERS ANNUAL READ AND GOSPEL EVERY DAY PODCAST, AND JOINING US FOR OUR WEEKEND SERIES. *MARINERS CHURCH ORG • MARINERS CHURCH APP*

ALIVE IN THE LOVE OF JESUS

- 2.14 Join us for an ASH WEDNESDAY service. Let the love of our Creator and Savior revive us. Genesis 2:7, Psalm 63:3, 1 John 4:16
- 2.15 Open up! CONFESS any hidden sin to your loving God in order to experience true freedom. Proverbs 28:13, 1 John 1:9-10, Luke 12:2
- 2.16 Give the Lord your undivided attention. FAST from seeking the attention or approval of others. Each Friday will be a "fast" day. Matthew 6:16-18, Colossians 3:2-4
- 2.17/18 Worship in community by attending one of our weekend services onsite or online.

ALIVE IN THE LOVE THAT ADORES

- 2.19 PRAY thanking Jesus for the huge sacrifice He made to save the world and restore "Shalom" (peace). Ephesians 2:1-10, Philippians 4:4, Colossians 2:13
- 2.20 Not guilty! REFLECT on the life, love, freedom, and peace Jesus has given you. Romans 8:1-2, 31-39, John 14:27
- God's grace through Jesus is a costly gift. Out of gratitude, FORGIVE someone a debt (financial, relational, etc.). Isaiah 53, Colossians 3:12-15, John 13:35
- 2.22 You are made in the image of God and not defined by failure or success. JOURNAL about living each day for Jesus. Genesis 1:26, Psalm 8 & 139
- 2.23 Experience God's comfort in prayer. Read Matthew 6:9-13, Psalm 36:5-10. SIT IN SILENCE before God for 10 minutes twice today.
- 2.24/25 Worship in community by attending one of our weekend services onsite or online.

ALIVE IN THE LOVE THAT PURSUES

- 2.26 Jesus cares more about your heart than your outward appearance. PRAY for Him to clothe you with humility. Matthew 5:8, Ezekiel 11:19, John 15:14-17
- 2.27 The love of Jesus pursues you. Read Luke 15:3-10 and REFLECT on how He has shown himself faithful to you. See also Romans 8:38-39
- **2.28** Even though we're all broken and flawed, Jesus gave His all us! **ENCOURAGE** someone by affirming their God-given value. Romans 5:8, John 3:16-17
- **2.29 MEMORIZE** a Bible verse today and carry the word of Christ with you for strength. Colossians 3:16, Hebrews 4:12
- O3.1 Silence is golden. UNPLUG today. Turn off the music/podcast/radio and connect with Jesus. Philippians 4:8, 2 Corinthians 1:19-21, 7:1
- 03.2/3 Worship in community by attending one of our weekend services onsite or online.

ALIVE IN THE LOVE THAT COMMITS

- Jesus desires a relationship, not just religious activity. **WORSHIP**Jesus for His care for every area of your life. John 14:18-21, Isaiah
 41:13, Romans 8:12-17
- Jesus promises His followers abundant life. Read John 10:10 and Mark 8:34-38 a few times and **CONSIDER** what Jesus is saying to you personally.
- **Q3.6** Reflect on God's heart toward those who are suffering in any way. PRAY for them. Psalm 34:18, 89:5-8, Hebrews 13:3, 1 Peter 4:12-13
- Food is a great reminder of the Lord's generosity. Today, **GIVE THANKS** as you pray before and after you eat. Matthew 7:7-11, James 1:17-18, Psalm 36:8
- O3.8 According to Jesus, the Father will satisfy your every need. Today, SKIP spending money on non-necessities, trinkets, junk food, drinks, or clothes. Matthew 6:24-33, Psalm 63:5
- 03.9/10 Worship in community by attending one of our weekend services onsite or online.

ALIVE IN THE LOVE THAT UNIFIES

- Jesus unites us with the Father and each other. He seeks to make us "completely one." MEDITATE on your unity with the Lord and His people. John 17:20-26, Ephesians 4:25-32
- Anytime you get stressed today, PAUSE before you act and, in prayer, bring your struggle to the Lord Jesus. Matthew 14:22-33, Psalm 65:7
- God's generosity toward us is abundant. SHARE something with others: your smile, time, talent, and resources. Acts 4:32-35, John 17:10-11, Philippians 4:2-6
- Use your time to grow in Christlikeness. Throughout the day, pRACTICE an attribute of the "Fruit of the Spirit" from Galatians 5:22-25. Hebrews 12:14
- Focus your heart. SPEND TIME with friends and/or family without the distraction of your phone and social media. 1 Peter 1:13-23, 2 Corinthians 1:3-5
- 3.16/17 Worship in community by attending one of our weekend services onsite or online.

ALIVE IN THE LOVE THAT TRANSFORMS

- Read Psalm 51 and PRAY, asking God to purify your heart and mind. See also 1 John 3:2, Jude 20-21
- Worship Jesus by doing what He did: TRUST the Father to bring about justice. Luke 23:9, John 19:28-30, Romans 12:19, 1 Peter 2:24-25
- 3.20 Jesus served others-even "hard to love" people. SURPRISE SOMEONE with undeserved kindness. Matthew 5:43-48, Matthew 25:35-36
- Take a WALK around your neighborhood, pick up small trash/litter, and pray for your community. Philippians 2:5-8, 1 Peter 4:8-11, Romans 12:1-2
- Find a private place to worship and FAST from hurrying. Slow down, bow down, or kneel in respect for the Lord. Read Luke 9:18-20, Psalm 37. What stands out?
- 3.23/24 Worship in community by attending one of our weekend services onsite or online.

ALIVE IN THE LOVE THAT NEVER ENDS

- The love of Jesus never ends. Reflect on how you take this for granted and **PRAISE** God for His faithfulness. Psalm 136, 1 Corinthians 13:4-8
- 3.26 ASK the Holy Spirit for discernment with any doubts, questions, or concerns you have. Luke 8:22-25, Proverbs 15:14, Ephesians 3:14-19, Philippians 4:7
- God often meets our needs through one another. **SERVE** someone else today, knowing that your eternity is secure. John 13:34, 1 Timothy 6:17-19
- Jesus' care for us is compassionate. MEDITATE on trusting Him more fully with your deepest desires and longings. Mark 8:1-9, Psalm 28:6-9
- Refrain from eating between noon and 3p. JOIN US ONLINE or ONSITE for a GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE. Luke 23:44-49
- 3.30/31 Celebrate Easter! Worship in community by attending one of our Easter services onsite or online.