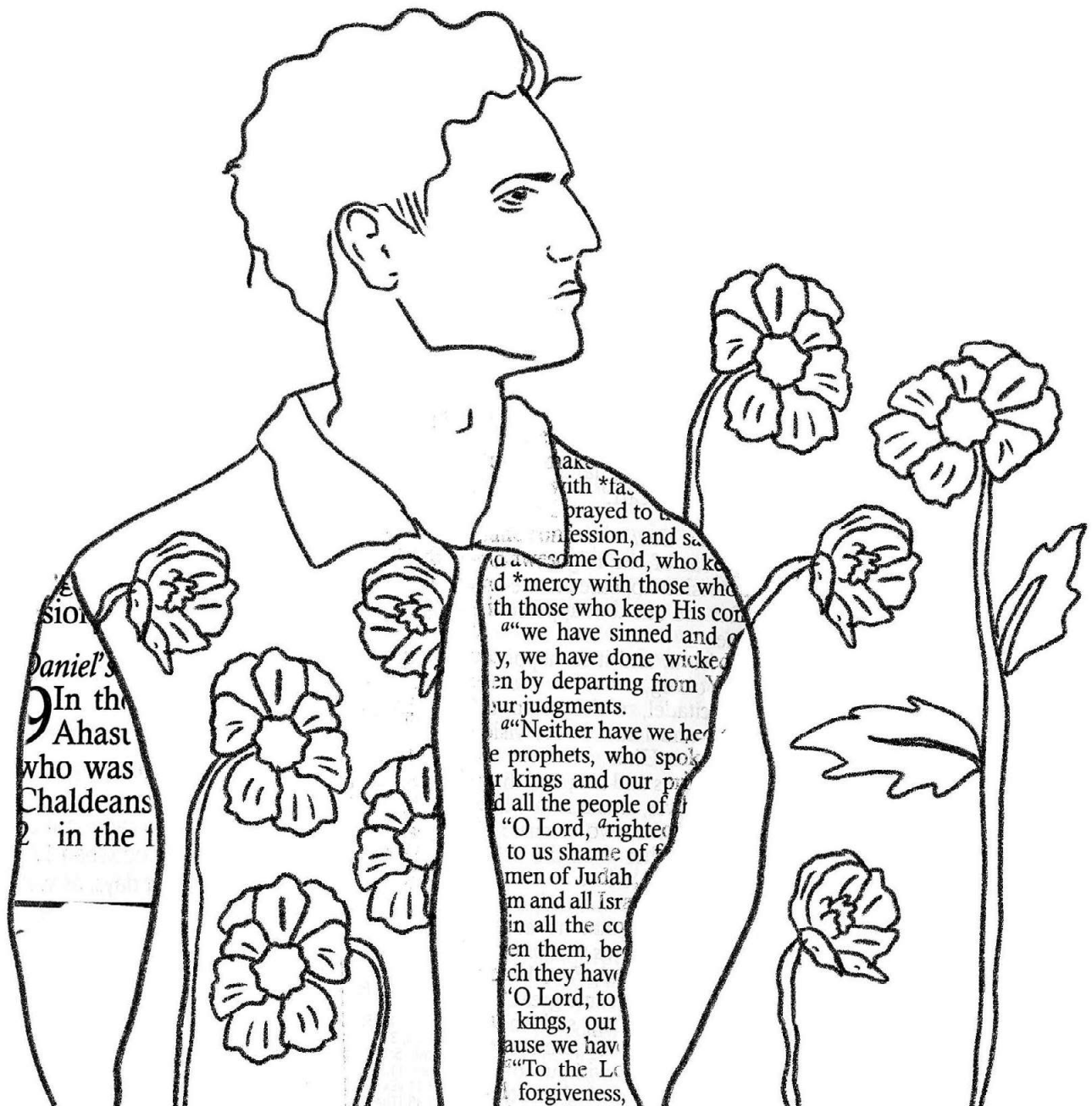


# Section 03

Days 07 through 09





**"But the Lord is faithful,**

**and he will strengthen you and**

**protect you from the evil one."**

**2 Thessalonians 3:3 (NIV)**

# Day 07

## Speak a blessing

God's love is so big and so high and so great for us—what a blessing for our lives!



### Dive into the Word

“For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ... that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may be

able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height—to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.”

—Ephesians 3:14-21 (NKJV)

### Family Moment

What stands out to you in these verses? Take turns praying a blessing over each family member by name: “May God strengthen [name] with power through His Holy Spirit in your inner being. We pray that you will have the power to grasp how wide and long and high and deep the love of Jesus is for you. May you be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God and know that He is able to do more than we can ask or imagine. Amen.”

### Let's Pray!

1. Sometimes we think asking for help makes us weak, but depending on God actually makes us stronger!
2. Today, as you pray, ask God to strengthen you physically, mentally and spiritually.
3. Pray: “Father, thank You for the strength You give us when we are weak. Amen.”

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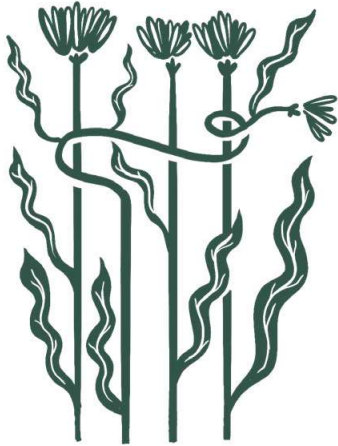
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# Day 08

## Power of prayer



### Dive into the Word

“But the Lord is faithful, and He will strengthen you and protect you from the evil one. We have confidence in the Lord that you are doing and will continue to do the things we command. May the Lord direct your hearts into God’s love and Christ’s perseverance.”

—2 Thessalonians 3:3-5 (NIV)

God has given us a weapon against the enemy.

### Family Moment

Prayer is powerful! In Paul’s letter to the Thessalonians, he asks them to pray. Prayer is our greatest weapon against the enemy. We too have the assignment to pray God’s protection over others in His power. Write “God is our protector” on a piece of paper. Around that truth, write names of people you know in need of God’s protection. Maybe they are staff members from your church, people at school, family members or neighbors. Take turns praying for the people on your new “prayer board.” If helpful, use the following prayer for each name: “Lord, please be faithful to strengthen and protect [name] from the evil one.”

### Let’s Pray!

1. When we pray for each other, it’s like God places a shield around us to protect us from anything the enemy would try to do to stop us.
2. During your prayer time today, ask God to protect others who are doing the 21 Days of Prayer + Fasting; pray that they would have the opportunity to tell someone about Jesus!
3. Pray: “Father, You are our shield as we go on Your mission. Thank You! Amen.”

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# Day 09

Going deeper

## Dive into the Word

"I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know Him better. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which He has called you, the riches of His glorious inheritance in His holy people and His incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength He exerted when He raised Christ from the dead..."

—Ephesians 1:17-20a (NIV)

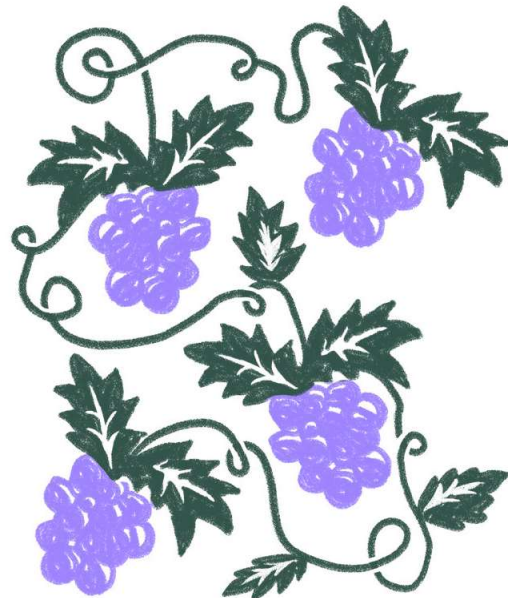
## Family Moment

As disciples of Jesus, our goal is to get to know Him better and deeper every single day! What are ways we can spend time with Jesus? Brainstorm together. Today we're going to respond to the prayer: "May God give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know Him better" (v.17). After praying, encourage every family member to spend time asking God how He wants them to respond to the verse. You can use paper and coloring supplies, play a worship song or even just remain silent in Him. Share with one another how you spent your time.

There are so many ways we can spend time with God!

## Let's Pray!

1. Do you know you have more general knowledge now than you did three years ago? That's a fancy way of saying that you know more stuff. Our knowledge of God should also grow more each day.
2. While you pray today, ask God to reveal Himself to all the other kids who are participating in the 21 Days of Prayer + Fasting.
3. Pray: "Father, help me to grow in Your wisdom each day. Amen."



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