



Growing FAITH at home

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

YEAR B

The risen Jesus sends us out to witness.



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CONVERSATIONS

Share your highs and lows, or respond to the following:

1. Tell about an amazing event you saw or heard about.
2. Who first told you about Jesus? Who and what has helped you learn about him?
3. Jesus said that his disciples would be “witnesses” for him (Luke 24:48). What is a witness? In what ways are you a witness for Jesus to others?



BIBLE READINGS

Read the following Bible readings throughout this week. Talk about what words or phrases stand out for you.

S	Luke 24:36b-48	Jesus appears to his disciples
M	Acts 3:12-19	Peter speaks in the temple
T	1 John 3:1-7	Children of God
W	Acts 1:1-11	You will be my witnesses
T	Acts 10:34-43	The witness of the apostles
F	Isaiah 35:3-9	God changes everything
S	Psalm 4	An evening prayer

VERSE OF THE WEEK

The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

LUKE 24:46-48



CREATIVE RESPONSE

Psalm 4:8 states, “In peace I will lie down and sleep, for you alone, O Lord, will keep me safe.”

The end of the day is a good time to slow down, reflect on the day, and focus on God’s place at the centre of our lives. Rituals that help us do this can have a powerful “witnessing” influence in our home lives.

Consider incorporating these ideas into your bedtime routine:

- Read a Bible passage or a storybook Bible story.
- Bless each other.
- Take time for prayer and meditation, including sitting in silence.
- Sing
- Pause to wonder how God was present in your ups and downs



ACTION RESPONSE

The Great Commandment to love God and love neighbour relates directly to the Great Commission to tell the good news of Jesus to others. Jesus calls us to be his followers and to share our faith with others. Pray for relatives, friends or neighbours this week, who are not Christians. Ask for God’s help to share Jesus with them in what we say and how we serve.



MEALTIME PRAYER

God bless our food, God guide our ways, God give us strength to declare your praise. Amen.



PRAYER

Lord Jesus, open our minds to understand the Scriptures and our mouths to speak of you. Amen.



BLESSING

May the light of God’s face shine on you and be gracious to you and fill your heart with joy.