

Carrollton Christian Fellowship

Matthew 3:16-4:11, Preteen Devotions

Day 1: Worship with God's Word

Scripture: Matthew 4:1-11

Devotional:

Hey, Preteens! Life is full of fun and sometimes tough moments. But every time we open the Bible, we're doing something special—worshiping God. Just like singing songs at church, reading the Bible is a way of loving and trusting Jesus.

Reflection:

Do you have a favorite Bible story or verse? Think about why it's special to you and how it helps you make good choices.

"Dear God, thank You for giving us the Bible. Help me to read it and understand it more each day. I want to worship You with my heart and mind. Amen."

Day 2: Powered by the Holy Spirit

Scripture: Matthew 3:16-17

Devotional:

Imagine getting ready for a big game or a concert without practicing. Sounds tough, right? Jesus didn't start His work without being filled with the Holy Spirit first. This shows us that we need God's Spirit to help us with everything we do.

Reflection:

Do you sometimes feel like you need extra help or strength? Take a moment to ask the Holy Spirit to be with you and guide you.

"Holy Spirit, I need You. Please fill me with Your power and guide me every day, especially when things are hard. Amen."

Day 3: Saying "No" to Temptations

Scripture: Matthew 4:2-4

Devotional:

We all face temptations, like wanting to play games instead of doing homework or telling a little lie to stay out of trouble. Jesus was tempted too, but He used God's Word to help Him say "no." We can do the same!

Reflection:

What are some things that tempt you? Find a Bible verse that can help you stay strong and write it down to remember.

"Jesus, help me stand strong when I'm tempted. Remind me of Your words and give me courage to do what's right. Amen."

Day 4: Growing with the Holy Spirit

Scripture: Romans 8:18

Devotional:

Growing up isn't always easy. Sometimes we face changes and challenges that feel overwhelming. But just like plants need water and sunlight to grow, we need the Holy Spirit along with the Bible to grow us into the people God wants us to be.

Reflection:

Are you facing something tough right now? Ask the Holy Spirit to help you grow stronger and wiser through it.

"Dear Lord, I need Your Holy Spirit to help me grow. Be with me in tough times and make me more like You every day. Amen."

Day 5: Trusting God Even When It's Hard

Scripture: Matthew 4:10-11

Devotional:

Sometimes it feels like we want things to happen right away. We want to win the game, get a good grade, or have something fun happen right now! But God teaches us to trust Him, even when it's tough or we have to wait. Jesus trusted God, even when it was super hard.

Reflection:

Is there something you're waiting for or something hard you're going through? Tell God about it and ask Him to help you trust Him more.

"God, it's hard to wait and trust sometimes. Help me to have faith in You, just like Jesus did. I know You have a good plan for me. Amen."

Closing Thought:

As you go through this week, remember that reading the Bible, relying on the Holy Spirit, and trusting God—even when it's tough—are key to growing in your faith. God is with you every step of the way, guiding you and helping you become all He created you to be.