



# Growing FAITH at home

PROPER 11

YEAR B

## Jesus teaches and heals the people



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Sunday between  
July 17 and July 23



## CONVERSATIONS

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

1. If you saw Jesus standing in front of you, what would you want from him?
2. Read Mark 6:30-34, 53-56. The text says that Jesus taught and healed the people. What has Jesus taught you? What would you want Jesus to teach you now?
3. In Mark 6:34 Jesus sees the people as sheep without a shepherd. What does it mean to you to have Jesus as your shepherd?



## BIBLE READINGS

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

<b>S</b>	<b>Mark 6:30-34, 53-56</b>	Jesus teaches and heals the people
<b>M</b>	<b>Jeremiah 23:1-6</b>	God promises a righteous king
<b>T</b>	<b>Ephesians 2:11-22</b>	United by Christ
<b>W</b>	<b>Isaiah 40:1-11</b>	God's people are comforted
<b>T</b>	<b>John 10:1-18</b>	Jesus the Good Shepherd
<b>F</b>	<b>2 John</b>	Truth and love
<b>S</b>	<b>Psalms 23</b>	The Lord is my shepherd

## VERSE OF THE WEEK

The Lord is my shepherd, he gives me  
everything I need.

PSALM 23:1

(This psalm can be of great comfort in your Christian walk.  
Print or write this out and commit it to memory.)



## CREATIVE RESPONSE

Jesus took his disciples away with him to a quiet place (Mark 6:31-32).

Spend some time together in silence as a household this week. Light a candle to represent the presence of Jesus with you.

Focus together on the candle in your silence.

Then share with each other the thoughts that came to you during this time.



## ACTION RESPONSE

Many people looked to Jesus for teaching, healing and guidance. His ministry was very busy and demanding.

Those in helping professions - e.g. doctors, pastors, firefighters, police - have many demands placed on them. Their work can be very tiring and sometimes stressful.

Think of a way you can show your appreciation and support to someone in such a profession and plan to do so.



## MEALTIME PRAYER

Our Good Shepherd feeds us. Our Good Shepherd leads us. Thanks be to God! Amen.



## PRAYER

Lord Jesus, lead us today to quiet places where we can rest with you. Amen.



## BLESSING

May the Lord touch you with love, show you kindness and bring you healing.