

## SERMON POINTS

○ **Point 1**  
Jesus invites you to come close  
James 4:8

○ **Point 2**  
Relationship, not religion  
John 15:4-5

○ **Point 3**  
Make Space to connect  
Psalm 46:10

### ○ CHALLENGE THIS WEEK:

Choose one simple way to engage with Christ each day.

# Maybe it's 5 minutes reading a Psalm

# Maybe it's taking a walk and talking to Him.

# Maybe it's sitting quietly with no phone and just being with God.

Whatever it is - do it with your heart open. He's already near.

Just turn around.

He's right there.

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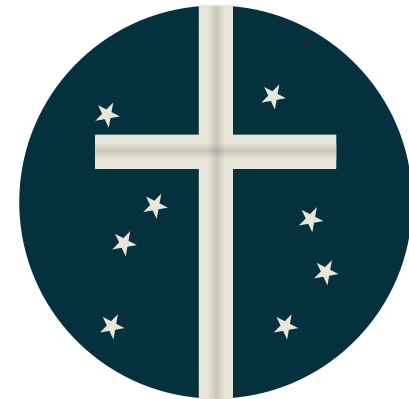
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Each day includes a short scripture, thought, and a prompt for reflection or action.

### Day 1 – The Invitation

Matthew 11:28 – “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.”

Thought: Jesus doesn’t call the perfect; He calls the tired. He’s your resting place.

Reflection: What burden are you carrying that you need to hand over to Jesus today?

Song Suggestion: STILL - Hillsong Worship 

### Day 2 – Make Space

Psalm 46:10 – “Be still, and know that I am God.”

Thought: Stillness helps us hear what noise tries to drown out.

Action: Take 5 minutes today with no phone, no noise—just stillness before God.

Song Suggestion: BE STILL AND KNOW - Steven Curtis Chapman 

### Day 3 – Stay Connected

John 15:5 – “I am the vine; you are the branches... apart from me you can do nothing.”

Thought: We’re not meant to run on our own. Stay plugged in to Jesus.

Reflection: What helps you stay connected—worship, journaling, prayer? Do one today.

Song Suggestion: REMAIN IN ME. - Gabriel Wanous 



### Day 4 – Honest Conversations

Psalm 62:8 – “Pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge.”

Thought: God can handle your full heart—your doubts, fears, hopes, and joys.


Action: Pray honestly today. Don’t hold back.

Song Suggestion: OCEANS - Hillsong United 

### Day 5 – Closer Than You Think

James 4:8 – “Come near to God and He will come near to you.”

Thought: God doesn’t ignore your efforts to reach out. Every step toward Him matters.

Reflection: What would it look like for you to “come near” today? 

Song Suggestion: DRAW ME CLOSE TO TO YOU - Michael W. Smith

### Day 6 – A Listening Heart

1 Samuel 3:10 – “Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.”

Thought: God still speaks—through Scripture, stillness, people, even nature.

Action: Read one chapter of a Gospel (like John 1) and ask: “God, what are You saying?”

Song Suggestion: SPEAK - Bethany Music 

### Day 7 – Love Responds

1 John 4:19 – “We love because He first loved us.”

Thought: Our pursuit of Christ is always a response to His love.

Reflection: Take a moment to simply thank Jesus for loving you first.

Song Suggestion: THANK YOU JESUS - Bethel Music 