

BEHOLD the LAMB

DAILY PRAYERS FOR LENT

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ASH WEDNESDAY

Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!

JOHN 1:29 (ESV)

Lord Jesus, you are the Lamb who was slain, whose blood covers all my sin. Help me to deny myself, die to my sin and rise to newness of life with you day by day. **Amen.**

THURSDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.

PSALM 51:10

Recreate me, and renew me so that I may sing your praises and live in peace here on earth and with you forever in paradise. **Amen.**

FRIDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 JOHN 1:8-9

Lord God, too often have I been a denier of the truth. I go around thinking I am better than I am. I have become conceited and self-righteous. Forgive my wrong thinking. Humble me so that I may confess my sins freely and completely to you, knowing that with you there is compassion and mercy, and I need not fear you. **Amen.**

SATURDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me.

PSALM 51:5 (ESV)

What a mess I am, God. From the moment I came into being on this earth, I have needed your help. Since even my innermost being is soiled with sin, I need you to cleanse me, and every day, I need you to keep me clean. You have every right to reject me, but instead you shower me with never-ending mercy and grace. Fill me with your love and compassion so that I may live a peaceful life here and in eternity. **Amen.**

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God, and that is what we are.

1 JOHN 3:1

Lord God, out of love, you call me your child. If it weren't for you, I'd be dead forever. I am so thankful to be your child. It gives me peace and confidence to know that I can go to you with any problem, and you will not deny me or shut me out. It comforts me to know that you will not act in anger toward me but will help me through my problems and give me the strength to carry on. Remind me of this every day. **Amen.**

MONDAY, THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

You know that you were ransomed from the futile conduct inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish.

1 PETER 1:18-19

Holy Lord, we foolishly think we can appease you by doing the right things. Yet, even those right things fade from sight. Your Son, our Savior, did all the right things and still suffered and died for us. Everything we buy spoils, fades or perishes. The life he bought with his own precious blood and innocent suffering and death will never get old. It will never go away. Thank you for buying me back through your beloved Son. **Amen.**

TUESDAY, THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

[Jesus said,] "For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander."

MATTHEW 15:19

Lord God, help me not to follow my heart, as bad things flow out of it. Instead, make me follow you. Turn my heart from all manner of evil. Destroy everything in my heart that is against you. Get rid of everything that hinders my faith in you, and fill that empty space with the fruits of your Spirit so that I may praise and honor you with my life. Give me joy in your presence, and grant me a willing spirit to do your will each day. **Amen.**

When John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him, he declared, "Behold, the Lamb of God" (John 1:29, ESV). In the same way this booklet of daily prayers for Lent declares "Behold the Lamb," as we witness Jesus drawing near to us in this holy season to sacrifice himself for us on the cross to take away the sins of the whole world.



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