

# *2022 Lenten Project*

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...Lent is about self examination. Lent isn't easy and it isn't supposed to be. Each and every day we are called to come closer to God. We can answer that call with our actions and prayers. It is in the next 40 days where we are asked to truly look into our hearts. We are called to turn our lives around...to truly come to God on our knees...to pay attention to what the Lord is offering. Lent prepares us for the Glory of Easter, but first we are to deal with who God is in our own life. Are we right with God? Are we doing what He has commanded?

**THIS YEAR WE ARE TRYING A DIFFERENT FORMAT...We ask that you read the daily prayer every day for the week then read the daily thought and make your offerings...**

### My Lenten Offering

Day	Amt.		Day	Amt.
1			21	
2			22	
3			23	
4			24	
5			25	
6			26	
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14			34	
15			35	
16			36	
17			37	
18			38	
19			39	
20			40	
Offering			Total	

## Week I

**Daily Prayer ... Each and every day we are called to come closer to God. Look upon me, Lord and hear my prayers during this Holy Season of Lent. Help me to discipline my body and be renewed in spirit ... Help me to answer that call with my actions and prayers. God of all life, guide me in the choices I make ... Inspire me to come to know you better. Amen**

**March 2<sup>nd</sup> Ash Wednesday** ~ Set your heart and mind this Lent on what price Jesus paid for you and be thankful.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Thursday March 3<sup>rd</sup>** ~ Smile because you know you are loved by God ... The Bible tells you so!

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday March 4<sup>th</sup>** ~ Randomly open your Bible today - Read the first verse you see - Let God's words cover you.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday March 5<sup>th</sup>** ~ Praise God for your home and remember those who do not have one.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

## Week II

**Daily Prayer ... Without You Lord God, I can do nothing ... By Your Holy Spirit, help me to know what is right and to be eager to do Your will. Stand beside me so that I may not be led away from you. Amen**

**Monday March 7<sup>th</sup>** ~ Think of a habit that has kept you from being who God has called you to be. Consciously work to avoid that habit. Begin today.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Tuesday March 8<sup>th</sup>** ~ Can you recite any Bible verses by memory? Learn one today and keep it in your heart.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Wednesday March 9<sup>th</sup>** ~ Be grateful for any medical care you have received or that is available to you.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Thursday March 10<sup>th</sup>** ~ Rejoice over the simple pleasures in life ... a good book, a soft chair, a cozy blanket, a hot cup of tea or coffee or cocoa.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday March 11<sup>th</sup>** ~ Thank God for helping you to “just get through this week”.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday March 12<sup>th</sup>** ~ Have you lost a loved one? Remember and Believe God’s promise that you will see them again.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

## Week III

**Daily Prayer ... Teach me to find new life through repentance. Teach me to confess to my shortcomings. Keep me from sin and help me to live by your commandments of love. God of pure love bring me back to you. Send Your Spirit to make me strong in faith and good works. Amen**

**Monday March 14<sup>th</sup>** ~ Are you able to freely worship in church with your church family? Praise God for that freedom.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Tuesday March 15<sup>th</sup>** ~ Eat an apple today, Do it to honor all teachers. Remember Jesus, Our Savior, remains as our Greatest teacher.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Wednesday March 16<sup>th</sup>** ~ Just for today, forget your weight ... Stay OFF the scales. Don't stress yourself over a number ... Consider your options for healthier foods and let that be your focus.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Thursday March 17<sup>th</sup>** ~ Jesus loves the little children / all the children of the world. / Red and yellow, black and white ... all are precious in His sight ... Give thanks for the joy they bring.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday March 18<sup>th</sup>** ~ Plan to consciously NOT gossip. If you didn't see it or hear it then don't talk about it. Even if you did see it or hear it, remember, none of us are spotless. Choose to find something good in everyone you see.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday March 19<sup>th</sup>** ~ Is your closet over stuffed? Today donate good clothing to a local organization.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

## Week IV

**Daily Prayer ... Father of love and the source of all blessings. Help me to pass from my old life of sin to a new life of Grace. Help me to know that your Grace is freely given to me ... I did nothing to earn it ... You love me even when I am unlovable ... Thank you for always being here to guide me and protect me. Prepare me for the Glory of Your Kingdom. Amen**

**Monday March 21<sup>st</sup>** ~ Our pets bring us so much joy and love and companionship. Be grateful for the life of each pet you have ... or had ...

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Tuesday March 22<sup>nd</sup>** ~ Turn off your TV 1 hour before bed. Read the Gospel for that hour and be grateful that God's word is available to teach and guide you.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Wednesday March 23<sup>rd</sup>** ~ Give thanks for your automobile that gets you from "Point A to Point B".

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Thursday March 24<sup>th</sup>** ~ Sit and watch the snow falling ... marvel at the softness and uniqueness of each flake ... even if you don't like snow, just for today enjoy its beauty.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday March 25<sup>th</sup>** ~ Does your home have a kitchen with appliances to store and cook food? Consider the greatness of this blessing.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday March 26<sup>th</sup>** ~ Tap into your creative side - draw, color, paint, sew, write, sing, dance, build and thank God for your talent.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

## Week V

**Daily Prayer ... Fill my heart with Your love. Keep me faithful to the Gospel of Christ. Give me Grace to rise above my human weaknesses. I reach out with Joy to grasp Your hand and walk more readily in Your Ways. Amen**

**Monday March 28<sup>th</sup>** ~ Have you received an answer to prayer? Have you shared that blessing?

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Tuesday March 29<sup>th</sup>** ~ Choose TODAY to forgive someone who has done wrong to you. The Lord forgives you ... follow His lead.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Wednesday March 30<sup>th</sup>** ~ Look with HOPE toward the newness of spring and watch for its early signs ... tulips and daffodils poking up and buds forming on the trees and bushes...

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Thursday March 31<sup>st</sup>** ~ Thank God for “Good Hair Days” and smile ... or thank Him for those days when you had hair ... God planned just how many you would have.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday April 1<sup>st</sup>** ~ Be aware of the pain and despair in this world. While you may not solve the issues ... offer prayers for those in poverty, hunger, war, captivity or those who are homeless ... knowing that your Lord HEARS you.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday April 2<sup>nd</sup>** ~ Have you been to a grocery store this week? Be grateful for the food that is at your fingertips.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

## Week VI

**Daily Prayer ... Holy Spirit, grant us the courage to make choices that benefit others. Grant us the compassionate, loving heart and mind of Jesus. Lord we pray that you would stir up in us a desire to “Go ...make disciples” by sharing your love through our words and our actions. Amen**

**Monday April 4th** ~ God is calling you to change the world...one step at a time...beginning today.  
Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Tuesday April 5th** ~ The people who annoy you the most are often the very ones who help you build character...Thank God for these people...and ask God to give you more patience.  
Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Wednesday April 6th** ~ Wear some today that represents JOY to you...and smile.  
Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Thursday April 7th** ~ The best way to start or end your day is by talking to God. He is just a prayer away.  
Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday April 8th** ~ All people want to be loved and appreciated. Today BE THE ONE who GIVES love and appreciation.  
Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday April 9th** ~ What area of your life is marked by worry or fear or confusion? Make a plan to offer that area of your life to God...then trust Him to take it from you.  
Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

## Week VII

**Daily Prayer ... Oh Lord, creator of heaven and earth ... the crucified body of your Son was laid in the tomb — Grant us Lord God the strength to find our way through the darkness as we await the coming of the day when we will rise with Jesus to newness of life, Your resurrection has washed away our sins and brought us joy. Amen**

**Monday April 11<sup>th</sup>** ~ Think about what you spend money on ... clothes, dinner out, coffee, etc. Pick one expenditure to “fast on” today and put that money into your offering box.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Tuesday April 12<sup>th</sup>** ~ Recall mistakes that taught you a lesson and helped you grow. Give thanks for those scars.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Wednesday April 13<sup>th</sup>** ~ As you drive or walk today, observe someone you see. Just for today can you offer them help? And throughout this day, Pray for that person. Everyone is fighting some type of battle.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Maundy Thursday April 14<sup>th</sup>** ~ At the last supper You said “Do this in remembrance of me”. May we always remember Lord Your unconditional love for us.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_

**Good Friday April 15<sup>th</sup>** ~ Our Glorious Lord. It is your hour. The hour by which You conquered sin and death. It is the hour You came into this world for. May we all be with You in these hours of suffering and death. My we, like your mother Mary and John and Mary Magdalene stand at the foot of the cross and gaze at your broken body ~ THE PERFECT GIFT OF LOVE.

Honor God with an offering. \_\_\_\_\_