

# Living Out Loud

every night...every home

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## REMEMBER this week

Every decision in life involves a cost-benefit analysis; weighing up the cost of investing in something verses the benefits you receive from that investment. There is only one thing that has ultimate value - it will cost all you are but you will gain everything you need - Jesus Christ. Go hard after him and living with joy will become a daily experience.

table GRACE  
Heavenly Father,  
kind and good,  
You always give  
your children food.

Accept the thanks we gladly bring.  
Thank you God for everything,  
Amen.

## VERSE of the week

**But whatever gain I had,  
I counted as loss for the  
sake of Christ. Indeed,  
I count everything as  
loss because of the  
surpassing worth of  
knowing Christ Jesus  
my Lord.**

Philippians 3:7-8

## THOUGHT for the week

**Joy does not simply happen  
to us. We have to choose joy  
and keep choosing it every day. It  
is a choice based on the knowledge  
that we belong to God and have  
found in God our refuge and our  
safety and that nothing, not even  
death, can take God away from us.**

—Henri Nouwen

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## 1 lets SHARE

1. Share your highs and lows.
2. Who is the most forgetful person in your family?
3. What is something that you have trouble letting go of or giving up?
4. What is something in life that you have given everything you have to?
5. How do you pursue Jesus and grow in knowing him and living with him?
6. What might you need to let go of from the past to grow closer to Jesus?
7. In what ways have you seen your joy grow as you have grown in your relationship with Jesus?

## 2 lets READ

Sunday	Philippians 3:7-8
Monday	1 Thess 1:6
Tuesday	Jeremiah 15:16
Wednesday	Isaiah 12:2-3
Thursday	3 John 1:3-4
Friday	Psalms 100:1-3
Saturday	Jude 1:24-25

## 3 lets TALK

- A – What is this text ABOUT?
- B – What is the BEST thing about this text?
- C – What is the most CONFUSING or CHALLENGING part of this text?
- D – What does God want you to DO?

## 5 lets BLESS

Bless each other with the sign of the cross as you say the following:

*Name*, may the joy of Jesus  
be with you Amen.

## 4 lets PRAY

**PRAISE GOD** for his willingness to give up all he had to gain you

**THANK JESUS** that through his death, he has eliminated any need to prove yourself in life.

**ASK THE HOLY SPIRIT** to help you pursue the joy that comes from knowing Jesus with all you are.