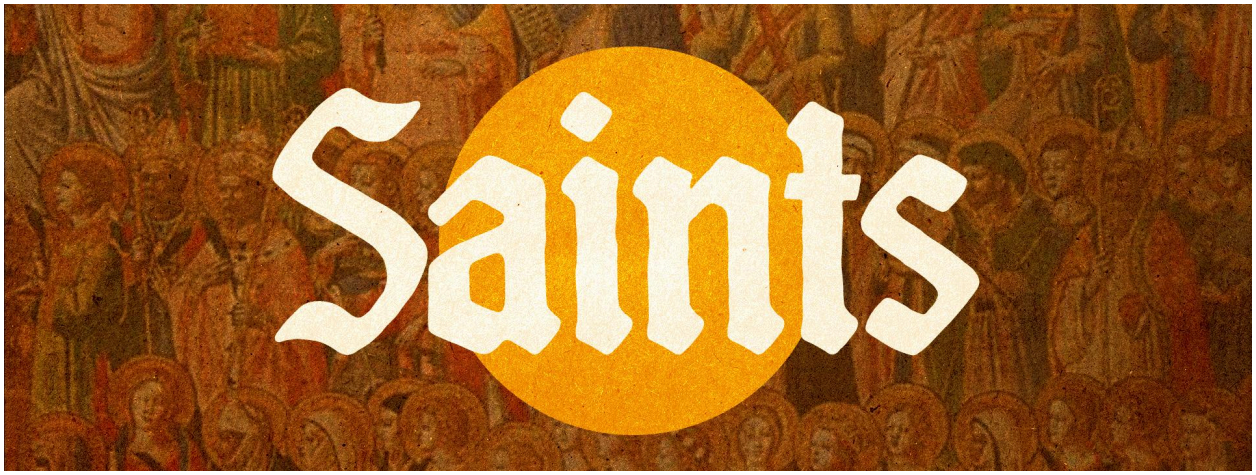


5 Daily Devotionals (From November 1st Sermon)

Day 1: We Are Part of Something Bigger

Key Verse: Romans 1:7

“To all those in Rome who are loved by God and called to be saints.”

Reflection

When we hear the word saint, we might think of extraordinary people who lived exceptionally holy lives. But Scripture gives us a much bigger picture. Saints are those who have been set apart by God, loved by Him, and called to belong to Jesus Christ.

On All Saints Day, we remember those who have gone before us in the faith. We remember parents, grandparents, friends, pastors, and countless others who shared God's Word and taught us to trust in Jesus. We also remember the Christians throughout history who gave their lives rather than abandon their faith.

But All Saints Day reminds us of something even greater: we are part of God's family, a family that stretches across generations and around the world. Our faith connects us not only to those sitting beside us in worship but also to all believers who have gone before us.

What a beautiful reminder that the Church is bigger than what we can see!

Closing Prayer

Heavenly Father, thank You for making us part of Your family through faith in Jesus. Thank You for those who shared Your Word with us and helped us know Your love. Strengthen our faith and help us faithfully pass that gift along to others. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Day 2: A Crowd No One Can Count

Key Verse: Revelation 7:9

“After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb.”

Reflection

Have you ever tried to imagine what heaven will look like? Revelation 7 gives us one of the most beautiful pictures in all of Scripture. John describes a great multitude that no one can count, gathered before God's throne. They come from every nation, tribe, people, and language.

Think about that for a moment. Every division that separates people in this world will be gone. Differences in culture, language, nationality, and background will no longer divide us. Instead, we will be united by the one thing that matters most: our faith in Jesus Christ.

This is the future God promises His people. Heaven isn't a small gathering of a select few. It is a celebration of God's saving grace throughout all generations.

When we feel discouraged by the divisions and brokenness of our world, we can look forward to that day. Our future is not defined by what divides us today, but by the Savior who brings us together.

Closing Prayer

Lord Jesus, thank You for gathering Your people from every nation and generation. Help us see one another as members of Your family. Give us a glimpse of the joy that awaits us when we stand together before Your throne. Amen.

Day 3: Washed White in the Blood of the Lamb

Key Verse: Revelation 7:14

“They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.”

Reflection

One of the most surprising pictures in Revelation is the image of people wearing spotless white robes that have been washed in blood. Normally, blood stains clothing. It doesn't make something white. Yet John tells us that these robes have been made white in the blood of the Lamb.

This is the beautiful mystery of the Gospel. Jesus, the Lamb of God, shed His blood on the cross to take away the sins of the world. Unlike the sacrifices of the Old Testament, which had to be repeated, Jesus offered Himself once for all. His sacrifice was complete. Nothing needs to be added to it.

We all carry the stains of sin. We have hurt others, spoken words we regret, held onto resentment, and made choices we wish we could undo. Sometimes those memories feel like they will follow us forever.

But they do not have the final word. Jesus does. Through His death and resurrection, He gives us forgiveness, cleansing, and the promise of eternal life. Our hope isn't in how clean we can make ourselves, but in the blood of Christ that makes us clean.

Closing Prayer

Heavenly Father, thank You for sending Jesus, the Lamb of God, to take away our sins. When guilt and regret weigh on our hearts, remind us that Christ's sacrifice is complete and His forgiveness is greater than our failures. Keep us firm in the promise of Your grace. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Day 4: The Lamb Who Is Our Shepherd

Key Verse: Revelation 7:17

“For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Reflection

There is something remarkable about the picture of Jesus in Revelation 7. He is both the Lamb and the Shepherd. He is the Lamb who sacrificed Himself for our sins, and He is the Shepherd who cares for His people.

Jesus doesn't simply save us and leave us to figure out the rest. He walks with us through the difficulties of life. He knows our pain, our fears, our disappointments, and our grief. He doesn't promise that we will never experience suffering in this world, but He promises that we will never face it alone.

And for those who have died trusting in Him, the suffering is over. No more hunger or thirst. No more pain or sorrow. No more tears. They are safely in the presence of their Shepherd.

What a comfort this is when we remember loved ones who have died in the faith. Their story hasn't ended in defeat. Because of Jesus, they have entered the eternal joy He has prepared for them.

And one day, we will join them.

Closing Prayer

Good Shepherd, thank You for laying down Your life for us. When we experience pain, suffering, or grief, remind us that You are with us and that Your promises never fail. Comfort us with the hope of the day when You will wipe away every tear. Amen.

Day 5: Surely Goodness and Mercy Will Follow Me

Key Verse: Psalm 23:6

“Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.”

Reflection

Psalm 23 is one of the most familiar passages in Scripture. We often hear it at funerals, visitations, and moments when we need comfort. But its message is not simply about death. It is about the faithful presence of God throughout our entire lives and into eternity.

David reminds us that even when we walk through the valley of the shadow of death, we have no reason to fear. Why? Because our Shepherd is with us. His rod and staff comfort us, and His goodness and mercy follow us.

As Christians, we still experience grief, uncertainty, illness, and hardship. Faith doesn't mean we escape the valleys of life. It means we have a Shepherd who walks through them with us.

And the promise doesn't end in the valley. It ends in the house of the Lord forever.

That is the hope of All Saints Day. Those who have died trusting in Jesus are with Him, and because He has conquered death, we have the promise of eternal life, too. We look forward to the day when faith becomes sight and we are reunited with all God's saints in His presence.

Closing Prayer

Heavenly Father, thank You for being our Good Shepherd through every season of life. Thank You for the loved ones who have gone before us in the faith and for the eternal home You have prepared for all who trust in Jesus. When we walk through difficult valleys, strengthen our faith and fill our hearts with hope. Lead us safely home, where we will dwell with You forever. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Small Group Discussion Guide

Key Passage: Revelation 7:9–17

Opening Question

Who is someone who helped shape your faith in Jesus? What is one lesson, Bible verse, or memory from that person that has stayed with you?

The Big Idea

All Saints Day reminds us that we are part of something much bigger than ourselves: God's family of believers throughout all time. Because Jesus, the Lamb of God, gave His life for us, our sins are forgiven, death is defeated, and heaven is our eternal home. Until that day, our Good Shepherd walks with us through every valley of life.

Read: Revelation 7:9–17

John gives us a beautiful picture of heaven: a countless multitude of people from every nation, tribe, people, and language gathered around God's throne, worshiping Jesus.

1. We Are Part of God's Family

All Saints Day is a time to remember those who have gone before us in the faith. We are connected to generations of believers who have shared the Gospel and passed down the promise of salvation through Jesus.

Supporting Bible Verses:

- Romans 1:7 – We are called saints because God has set us apart as His own.
- Hebrews 12:1–2 – We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.
- 1 Thessalonians 4:13–18 – We grieve, but not without hope.

Discussion Questions:

1. Who are some people who helped pass the faith down to you?
2. Why is it important to remember those who have gone before us in the faith?
3. How does knowing that believers from every nation and generation will be gathered together in heaven change the way you think about the Church today?

2. Jesus, the Lamb, Makes Us Clean

Revelation describes the saints in heaven wearing white robes, washed in the blood of the Lamb. We don't become holy through our own good works or efforts. Jesus makes us holy through His perfect sacrifice on the cross. His death paid for our sins once and for all, and through faith in Him, we receive forgiveness and eternal life.

Supporting Bible Verses:

- John 1:29 – Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
- Ephesians 1:7 – In Christ, we have redemption through His blood and the forgiveness of sins.
- Hebrews 10:10–14 – Jesus' sacrifice was made once for all.
- 1 John 1:7 – The blood of Jesus cleanses us from all sin.

Discussion Questions:

1. What does the picture of robes being washed white in the blood of Jesus teach us about God's grace?
2. Why is it important to remember that our salvation depends on what Jesus has done rather than what we do?
3. How does knowing that Jesus has completely paid for your sins bring comfort when you struggle with guilt, regret, or shame?

3. Jesus Is Our Lamb and Our Shepherd

The same Jesus who sacrificed Himself as the Lamb of God is also our Good Shepherd. He protects, guides, and cares for His people. In heaven, suffering, sorrow, and pain will be gone forever. Even now, Jesus promises to be with us through life's difficulties.

Supporting Bible Verses:

- John 10:11 – Jesus is the Good Shepherd who lays down His life for His sheep.
- Psalm 23:1–6 – The Lord leads, restores, protects, and comforts us.
- Revelation 21:3–4 – God will dwell with His people and wipe away every tear.
- Romans 8:38–39 – Nothing can separate us from God's love in Christ Jesus.

Discussion Questions:

1. What stands out to you about Jesus being both the Lamb and the Shepherd?
2. How does Psalm 23 remind you that Jesus is present with you during difficult seasons?
3. Revelation promises that God will wipe away every tear. How does this promise give you hope when facing grief, suffering, or the loss of a loved one?
4. What does it mean to live with the confidence that heaven is our eternal home?

Closing Prayer

Heavenly Father,

Thank You for the promise of eternal life through Your Son, Jesus Christ. Thank You for the faithful men and women who came before us and shared the hope of the Gospel with us. Comfort those who grieve the loss of loved ones, reminding us that death is not the end for those who belong to You. Thank You, Jesus, for being the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world and for washing us clean through Your precious blood. Thank You for being our Good Shepherd who walks with us through every valley. Keep our eyes fixed on the promise of heaven, where we will join all Your saints in worshiping You forever. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.