

Jan. 4-9

Monday, January 4, 2010 *Read: John 1:1-14* This week we focus on the person of Jesus. John describes Jesus as eternal but having taken on human flesh to come into the world. He comes to deliver us from spiritual darkness so that we might live in the light of His salvation.
Prayer starter: Pray Psalm 27 today.

Tuesday, January 5, 2010 *Read: Hebrews 13:1-8* What are you planning to change about yourself in this new year? Isn't it good to know that Jesus doesn't change – He won't change His mind about the salvation He has given you by grace through faith. **Prayer starter: Did you make any resolutions for the new year? Ask the Lord to help you see them through.**

Wednesday, January 6, 2010 *Read: Matthew 28:16-20* Jesus has the power and authority to rule over His church and to direct its work. We serve with confidence that the Lord is “with us always, to the very end of the age.” **Prayer starter: Give thanks that Jesus was revealed in the flesh as the Son of God.**

Thursday, January 7, 2010 *Read: John 21:15-17* Peter denied Jesus three times; here he is given three opportunities to declare His love for and faith in His Savior. Jesus places a new call on Peter's life – that of shepherd, a pastor of the people of God. **Prayer starter: Pray for faithful pastors who feed the sheep and lambs of God.**

Friday, January 8, 2010 *Read: Luke 5:1-11* Notice the change in attitude in Peter – first, in a patronizingly way, calls Jesus, “Master;” after the miraculous catch of fish, he changes his tune – now it's “Lord.” **Prayer starter: As the Lord for a faith that is willing to leave everything, if necessary, to follow Him.**

Saturday, January 9, 2010 *Read: John 4:7-26* Jesus knows all things – and he amazes the Samaritan woman in the process. Even more amazing is the compassionate way that the Lord engages this woman so that she might be ready to hear the good news – the Christ has come!
Prayer starter: Thank Jesus for the compassion and mercy that He extends to you each day.