### Weekly Household Devotions

#### Time After Pentecost

Year A - Lectionary 26 September 25-October 1



The Lord is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts; Daily Reading so I am helped, and my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.

Psalm 28:7

# Looking Back . . .

Matthew 21:23-32 Sunday The Authority of Jesus Questioned Monday Psalm 28 Prayer for Help and Thanksgiving Tuesday Philippians 1:15-21 Proclaiming the Gospel with Love

Wednesday Judges 16:1-31 Samson and Delilah

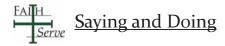
## Looking Ahead . . .

**Thursday** Colossians 2:16-23 Warnings Against False Teachers

Friday Philippians 2:14-18; 3:1-4a Breaking with the Past

Psalm 80:7-15 Saturday Prayer for Israel's Restoration

The Parable of the Wicked Tenants Sunday Matthew 21:33-46



Do you ever experience the same thing the father did in the parable where you or someone else says they will do something and does not? Or does the opposite—says they won't and then they do? Which one feels more like a connection to how we live our lives together? How does what we say AND what we do matter in our daily lives?

This week make a list of things you SAY about your faith or about God in one column and make a list of things you DO that relate to your faith/walk with God in another. How do they match up? Where are they different? Decide where you need to focus this week, either on talking about your faith—maybe inviting someone to experience worship or a prayer time with you; or in acting or serving in faith—where can you be hands, feet, voice, or heart of God in your family or community... then go and say or do knowing God is with you always!

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#### Faith on the Go



Jesus, you walked among us and loved us. Bless this food that we eat and these lives that we share that we may serve you and the world you love. Be with those who are hungry or in any need and send your spirit to them. Amen.



Where to do see God's love in your life today? Connect Where do you need God's love with you this week?



Matthew 21:23-32—The Authority of Jesus Questioned

Day 1

Matthew 21:23

"What are you doing here?" "What right do you have to be here?" When do you hear these questions in your life, and who is asking them?

Day 2

Matthew 21:24-26

The Priests are trapped between what they want to be true, and a frightening reality. Have you ever found yourself in a similar struggle?



Day 3

Matthew 21:27

Unwilling to answer, they receive no answer! What answer would you give? What would you hope to hear in return?

Day 4

Matthew 21:28-30

Which son are you more like? Unenthusiastic, but in the end willing - or excited at first but quick to loose interest?

Day 5

Matthew 21:31-32

How easily do you change your mind? The priests have seen the wonders of Jesus, but they refuse to believe. What convinces you?



May you know Jesus' mind and spirit in your heart today.