

Daily devotion I Will Keep (14)
March 31st – April 6th, 2008

Monday (Mar.31 st)	<p>Scripture: Mark 15:33 – 47</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> How can we tell <i>Jesus did not die an ordinary death</i>? Vs.33-38, 44-45 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What goes through your mind as you read the words of <i>Jesus’ deep agony</i>: “<i>My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?</i>” What do you think <i>Jesus was feeling</i> at that very moment when he had to <i>abandoned himself from God as he bore the sins of humanity (our sins)</i>? What happened to the <i>relationship between man and God once Jesus breathed his last breath</i>? Vs. 38-39 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What <i>characteristic</i> towards God/Jesus can we learn from Joseph of Arimathea? Vs.43-46 How has <i>the death of Jesus impacted your life</i>?
Tuesday (Apr.1 st)	<p>Scripture: Mark 16:1 – 8</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> How can we tell the three women had <i>an act of deep devotion and love towards Jesus</i>¹? Vs. 1-3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What do you <i>usually do/act to show you have a deep devotion/love for Jesus</i>? If you were one of the women, initially had no idea of Jesus’ resurrection, how would <i>you react when told that He has risen from the death</i>? Why? Vs. 4-6, 8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Why do you think the <i>Angel told the women to specifically tell Peter</i> of Jesus’ resurrection? Vs. 7 How do you <i>live your life to witness Jesus’ resurrection</i> (He is alive!)?
Wednesday (Apr.2 nd)	<p>Scripture: Mark 16:9 – 20</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> How did the <i>people react</i> when Mary Magdalene and the two others told them Jesus was alive and that they witnessed him? Vs. 9-13² <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How did <i>Jesus rebuke the Eleven</i> when he appeared to them? Vs. 14 Are you <i>sometimes like the Eleven</i>, have <i>lack of faith and stubborn refusal to believe</i>? Under what situation and why? How did <i>Jesus command us to share the gospel</i>? Vs. 15-18² <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How <i>often do you share the gospel</i> to someone? Why/why not? What did the <i>disciples do once Jesus ascended to heaven</i>? What should we learn from them? Vs. 19-20
Thursday (Apr.3 rd)	<p>Scripture: 2John 1 – 6</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> How did John <i>describe the “truth”</i>? Vs. 1-2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How did John <i>describe God/Jesus Christ</i>? Vs. 3 According to John, it brings great joy to see God’s children walk/live in the truth. What then does it <i>mean to walk/live in the truth</i>? Vs. 4-6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would you <i>consider yourself as a child of God who fully obeys all his commands</i>? Why/why not? What can you <i>do this coming week to show Jesus you walk in His love</i>?

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Friday (Apr.4 th)	<p>Scripture: 2John 7 – 13</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> How <i>wording</i> did John use to <i>describe the deceivers</i>? Vs. 7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How did he <i>teach us to react/respond to such people</i>? Vs. 8-11 What do you think are <i>considered as the deceivers in today’s world</i>? Why? What do you think <i>John meant</i> by “<i>anyone who welcomes him (deceiver) shares in his wicked work</i>”? Vs. 11 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How should we <i>live our Christian lives as watchmen/women</i> for God and his teaching?
Saturday (Apr.5 th)	<p>Scripture: 3 John 1 – 8</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Think of <i>someone</i> (or more than one) in your life that <i>gives you great joy because he/she walks in the truth of God</i>. Vs. 1-4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thanks the Lord for this person and <i>pray for him/her today</i>. If you want, give the person some encouragements. Would you <i>consider yourself as a faithful person, especially towards God</i>? Why/why not? Vs. 5-8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How did <i>John teach us to treat those who faithfully walk in God’s love/truth</i>? As Christians, how should we “<i>work together for the truth</i>”?
Sunday (Apr.6 th)	<p>Scripture: Psalms 45</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> How did the Psalmist describe the <i>splendor/glory, the personhood, and the attributes of the king</i>? Vs. 3-9 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Who</i> do you think the <i>Psalmist is foreshadowing</i>? Why? How did the Psalmist remind the <i>royal bride to be loyal to her king</i> and how was <i>her glory being described</i>? Vs. 10-15 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What do you think are the <i>causes that lead us to be disloyal to our King</i>, Jesus Christ? Would you <i>consider yourself as a loyal Christian or a disloyal Christian</i>? Why/How so?

¹These women had no expectation of Jesus’ resurrection at this moment (The NIV Study Bible, p. 1530).

²Jesus did not literally mean drink deadly poison is harmless. No occurrence of drinking deadly poison without harm is found in the NT (The NIV Study Bible, p.1531).