

Lenten Devotions 2009



Reflections and Devotions for Lent 2009 Two Options To Help You Create A Unique Lenten Experience

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! People today need to hear this unchanging message in the midst of our constantly changing world. However, the message needs to be delivered in a way that is relevant to the audience so that it speaks to them where they are in their faith journey. Jesus spoke to individuals according to their spiritual need, knowing when to speak Law and when to speak Gospel, when to challenge and when to comfort. Lutheran Hour Ministries is offering two ways for you to share the Lenten experience with your congregation and community...

A New Perspective

It's easy to get caught up in the routines of life-the normal, the mundane. Do you want to try something a little different the next few weeks? How about stretching yourself to consider a new perspective? Lent is a time to pause, re-focus, and reflect on Jesus' 40 days in the wilderness and his journey to the cross. Easter is the celebration of Christ's resurrection from the dead. Let Jesus change your life. Only He can give you a new perspective on life. Pastor Ryan Peterson of St John Lutheran in Ellisville, MO invites those who may not yet know the Savior to the established Christian searching for answers to consider from another perspective the dynamics of a relationship with Him.

It is also our heartfelt joy to provide you with **Given For Us**, devotions of reflection and meditation for the 2009 Lenten season. At this time of the year, when our hearts are directed to the limitless expression of God's love as revealed in His Son Jesus Christ, it is our hope you find these words both thoughtful and inspirational. First-call pastors from Concordia Seminary in St. Louis share their thoughts about this season and its implications for a corrupt mankind.

Now installed in their first churches, these pastors know well the timeless significance of Christ's passion and what His obedience "to the point of death, even death on a cross" (Philippians 2:8b) means for each of us.

Companion Media and Resources

Use the theme and visuals of either devotion in a variety of ways to create an enhanced Lenten experience for members *and* to help members reach out to friends and family.

For overview and instructions, go to www.lentendevotions.net to select your customizable downloads.

For both *A New Perspective* and *Given For Us* you will find:

- Bulletin Shell
- PowerPoint Slide Template
- Web Banner Ad
- JPG images of cover art

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