

Journey towards the Cross

Topic:

Jesus gave His life for us.

Bible Portion:

John 10:11

Focus:

Shepherd: Jesus gave
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A daily devotional for lent season

40-Day Gospel Reading Plan

Bible Readings for Today

John 11-12



Have you Read your
Bible today?

Memory Verse for the day

**“I am the resurrection
and the life. Whoever
believes in me, though
he die, yet shall he
live.”**

John 11:25 (ESV)

Quote

**“The Lord is my
Shepherd; I shall not
want.”**

- King David.

Introduction

Lent is a sacred journey where we reflect on God's great plan of redemption from Creation to the Cross, and ultimately to the Resurrection. It reminds us that humanity, though created in love, fell into sin, yet God never abandoned His people. Instead, He revealed His love through Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd, who willingly laid down His life for His sheep. As we journey through Lent, we are called to understand this sacrificial love and respond to it with faith and gratitude.

God's Shepherd Love from Creation

In John 10:11, Jesus says, “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.” This reflects God's heart from the beginning. In Creation, God formed humanity with care and purpose, like a shepherd tending his flock. Even after the fall, God continued to guide and

protect His people. Throughout Scripture, we see Him leading Israel, providing for them, and calling them back whenever they strayed. His love was constant, patient, and faithful.

The Sacrifice of the Good Shepherd

This shepherding love reaches its fullness in Jesus Christ. Unlike a hired hand who runs away in danger, Jesus remains with His sheep. He willingly gave His life on the Cross to save us from sin. His death was not by chance but a deliberate act of love and obedience. In our daily lives, we may feel lost, fearful, or burdened, but Jesus, our Shepherd, seeks us and brings us back. Just as a parent sacrifices for their child, Christ's sacrifice is far greater, in that He gave His very life for us.

Our Response to the Shepherd's Call

The journey to the Cross invites us to respond to this

great love. Jesus calls us to follow Him, to listen to His voice, and to walk in His ways. As we reflect during Lent, we are encouraged to grow closer to Him through prayer, Scripture, and acts of kindness. We are also called to reflect His love by caring for others and living with humility and faith.



Conclusion

The journey from Creation to the Cross and to the Resurrection is a story of God's redeeming love. Jesus, our Good Shepherd, laid down His life so that we may have life in abundance. Let us walk this Lenten journey with thankful hearts, trusting in His love and guidance.



Prayer

Lord Jesus, our Good Shepherd, thank You for laying down Your life for us. Help us to follow You faithfully and live in Your love. Amen.

Practical Steps:

1. Spend time daily in prayer and reading God's Word.
2. Reflect on Christ's sacrifice and give thanks.
3. Show love and compassion to those around you.

- Rt. Revd Prabhu Duraisamy Jebamani

Prayer Point

Let us pray for Rev. M. D. Borde, Rev. M. S. Soholkar, Rev. Mahendra Namdev Kavathekar, Rev. P. Mathew Gnanasigamani and Rev. Mathew Mathew, and for their families and the churches entrusted to them.

