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- Say at each mealtime.
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Prayer for this Week:

Lord Jesus, please protect me from evil and teach me your ways. Amen. (Mark 1:27)

For Throughout the Day:

Lord God, thanks for setting me free from sin. Help me to live wisely. Amen. (1 Corinthians 8:9)

A Blessing to Share:

May the Lord Jesus protect you from evil and teach you his ways. Amen. (Mark 1:27)

Mealtime Refrain:

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Mealtime Prayer:

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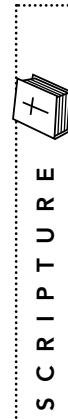
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Faith Talk:

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- Share about a teacher you liked and respected. What did you learn from them?
- Read Mark 1:21-22. Why do you think people were amazed at Jesus' teachings?
- What do you find amazing about Jesus?
- What do you wish to learn from Jesus?

Devotional Practices:

Make it a focus of your home prayer time this week to pray for teachers, including those teaching others about Christ in seminaries, schools and churches.

Service:

Think of a teacher you are thankful for. Phone them with a word of encouragement, write them a letter, or send them a card.

Rituals and Traditions:

If you have a household member who is a student, share a household time of prayer and blessing. Here is a prayer you can use:

Heavenly Father, be with ___ in his/her studies. Keep ___ safe from anything that would harm him/her in body, mind or spirit. Help ___ to gain enjoyment from learning and to learn well. Help ___ to be happy at school and to have good friendships. Help ___ to show your love to others at school and to do what is right. And help ___ to remember that you are with him/her every day, whatever happens. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

From Martin Luther's Small Catechism

The Gospel story from Mark shows Jesus' power over evil. In the Lord's Prayer we pray "Deliver us from evil." This is what Martin Luther wrote about this prayer in his Small Catechism

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