



**Praying Through Lent With Daily Readings  
Beginning Ash Wednesday, February 17  
Theme – Who Do You Say That I Am?**

The Scriptures listed below are stories about Jesus' life, teaching and example. They can be read each day at a convenient and quiet time, with a prayerful beginning, opening yourself to hear a word that speaks to you – and ending with a prayer for you, your concerns and those of the world around us. If you choose, the Lords' Prayer could be said to close of the moment.

Opening Prayer: ***God of call, God of transformation, God of the Lenten journey; help us to discern your still small voice. Open us to change and growth that we may walk with Christ. In Jesus' name, Amen.***

Closing Prayer which can be used after each reading: ***Gracious God, bless and transform all that we offer; our faltering steps, our brokenness, our hope, our risking, our hearts, that you covenant may be written on our hearts and we may be a blessed and transformed covenant people. In Jesus's name we pray, Amen.***

**Ash Wednesday - February 17 - Matthew 6: 5-14**

**February 18 – Matthew 6: 16-18**

**February 19 – Matthew 5: 43-48**

**February 20 – Matthew 7: 24-37**