**Lent Paper Chain (40 day count down)**

1. Ask your grown up to explain Ash Wednesday to you. If you grown up doesn’t know much about it, you can research it together!
2. Pray for the President and other leaders of the country.
3. Write an encouraging note and give it (or mail it) to them.
4. Give up screens for the day (except for the ones you need for school!)
5. Put on a praise song or hymn and sing or dance along!
6. Pray for your friends and neighbors who don’t know Jesus. Ask God to give you opportunities to love them and share the good news about Jesus with them.
7. Cheerfully help your siblings or parents with one of their chores.
8. Skip one meal (or snack time) today. Every time you feel hungry, ask God to give you a hunger for His Word.
9. Make a list of 10 things you are thankful for today!
10. Pray for your pastor and church leaders.
11. Look up John 3:16 in your Bible and try to memorize it if you haven’t already.
12. Let someone else go first today.
13. Call your grandparents or a friend or relative you haven’t spoken with in awhile.
14. Go on a nature walk and praise God for all of the variety and beauty He has created!
15. Tidy your room without being asked.
16. Look up Romans 3:23 in your Bible. Do you understand what this verse means? Do you understand why you need Jesus? If not, ask your grown up.
17. Do you know any missionaries? Look up where they live on a map and pray that God will protect and provide for them and use them to tell others about Jesus!
18. Skip dessert today and ask God to help you love Him more than any of the sweet gifts He gives us.
19. Walk or drive through your neighborhood and ask that God will use your family to help these other people to know His truth and experience His love!
20. Is there someway you can serve your church or your pastor’s family? Ask and find out!
21. Tell your mom something you really love about her.
22. Draw a picture of something you want to thank God for today.
23. Look for a few toys or clothes you have outgrown that you can pass along to someone who may need them.
24. Ask your grown up to tell you when and how they became a Christian.
25. Bake or buy cookies and deliver them to a neighbor or someone who has been sick.
26. Tell your dad something you really love about him.
27. Listen to the song “On Christ The Solid Rock I Stand” and talk about what the lyrics mean.
28. Ask your grown up if there is anything extra you can do today to be helpful.
29. Look up Romans 6:23 in your Bible and discuss what it means.
30. Buy some flowers for your kitchen table and thank God that Spring is coming!
31. Pray for your Sunday School teacher. Ask your grown up to help record and send a video letting them know how much you appreciate their hard work!
32. Do you ever pray on your knees? Sometimes it helps us to take a humble position when we come to God in prayer. Give it a try sometime today!
33. Hide some plastic Easter eggs in your friend’s yard and let them know they can have a fun time hunting for them!
34. Look up Romans 5:8 in your Bible. Aren’t you glad that God saves sinners?!? Take some time to thank Him today!
35. Who can you invite to come to church with you on Easter Sunday? Ask God and your grown up to help you think of someone and invite them today!
36. Do something kind for your sibling today – just because.
37. Can you go the whole day without grumbling or complaining?!? Ask God to help you have a happy heart!
38. Why do you think we call it “Good Friday”? What is good about Jesus dying on the cross? Discuss this with your family.
39. Look up John 11:25 in your Bible. Because Jesus defeated death, those who believe in Him can live forever too. Have you trusted in Jesus?
40. He has risen! He has risen indeed! Go to church and worship your face off!!!