

### Devotional Readings for Lent starting on Ash Wednesday and Ending on Easter Sunday

Day	Story	Scripture	Ornament
1	Faith	Matthew 17:20	Mustard seed charm
2	Creation	Genesis 1-2	Tree
3	The fall	Genesis 3	Leaf, snake, or fruit
4	Noah/flood	Genesis 6-9	Boat or rainbow
5	Abraham	Genesis 12-22	Star
6	Isaac	Genesis 18 and 21-22	Ram
7	Jacob	Genesis 25-28	Ladder
8	Joseph	Genesis 37-45	Colorful coat
9	Judah/Tamar	Genesis 38	ring
10	Moses	Exodus 2-3	Basket, burning bush
11	Plagues and Exodus	Exodus 7-14	Frog
12	Ten Commandments	Exodus 20, Deut. 5	Tablets
13	Tabernacle	Exodus 36-40	Candlestand
14	Rahab, Fall of Jericho	Joshua 5-6	Red cord
15	Judges-Deborah, Gideon Samson	Judges 4-7, 13-16	Gavel, scale
16	Ruth and Boaz	Ruth 1-4	Grain (barley)
17	Samuel	1 Samuel 1-3	Anointing oil
18	Israel asks for a king	1 Samuel 8	Crown
19	God chooses David	1 Samuel 16	Harp
20	David kills Goliath	1 Samuel 17	Sling and stone
21	David becomes king	2 Samuel 5	Crown, star of David
22	David and Bathsheba	2 Samuel 11	Bathtub
23	Solomon and wise judgement	1 Kings 3	Temple, scale
24	Jehoshaphat	2 Chronicles 20	Horn, trumpet
25	Hezekiah	2 Chronicles 29-32	Gate, wall, or praying hands
26	Manassah, Amon, Josiah	2 Chronicles 33-35	Scroll
27	Elijah and the prophets of Baal	1 Kings 18	Alter
28	Judah exiled in Babylon	2 Kings 24-25	Chain, hand writing
29	Zerubbabel	Zechariah 1-4	Plumbline
30	Prophecies	Isaiah 7, 52-53	Scroll, coal
31	Jonah	Jonah 1-4	Fish
32	Birth of Jesus promised	Luke 1	Angel
33	Jesus' birth, shepherds	Luke 2	Nativity
34	Wisemen, escape to Egypt	Matthew 2	Pyramid
35	Jesus' temptation	Luke 4	Bread
36	Beatitudes	Matthew 5	"Blessed"
37	Jesus feeds the 5000	John 6	Bread and fish
38	The Transfiguration	Luke 9	cloud
39	Parables of prodigal son, lost sheep, lost coin	Luke 15	Coin
40	Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead	John 11	Piece of white cloth
41	Triumphal Entry	Matthew 21	Palm branch/leaf
42	Zacchaeus	Luke 19	Tree, money bag
43	Mary anoints Jesus' feet	John 12	Bottle of oil

44	Jesus washes the disciple's feet, Last Supper	John 13, Mark 14	Basin and towel, bread and wine
45	Jesus prays, arrested	John 18	Chains, olive tree
46	Jesus tried, crucified, Peter's denial, veil	Luke 22-23, Mark 14-15	Rooster and cross
47	Jesus' resurrection, great commission, Peter forgiven	Matthew 28, John 21	Empty tomb, globe with heart
48	Genealogy of Jesus review on Monday after Easter	Matthew 1	Take the ornaments off the tree and put them away as you review the stories together

If you don't want to share the story of **Tamar** or **Bathsheba** because your children are too young, then you may want to tell **Samson's story** separately from the other judges with scissors ornament and make the trial and **Peter's denial** one story with a rooster ornament and the crucifixion separate with a cross ornament.

Some ideas if you don't want to make your own ornaments:

[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/MZNUBOZHJI?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/MZNUBOZHJI?ref=wl_share)

Or ornaments can be made simply with pictures that are laminated. This way you can use illustrations of the story rather than symbols for each story.

Rather than an Easter Tree, you may want to have a basket with each ornament, especially if they are child-friendly and can be handled by the children throughout the Easter season.

Some other projects you might enjoy would be to create a replica of the Tabernacle or Temple and sharing the Easter story through Resurrection Eggs.