

Time with Jesus



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Faith for life
Biblical resources for
people with dementia

Engaging with Faith for life

Faith for life is a collection of interactive, tailored products that help people engage with the Bible in ways that are appropriate and meaningful to them.

The books can be used independently or with another person. Whether your relationship is as family member, friend, pastoral carer, staff member, or volunteer—your company and the shared experience of being together is invaluable. When together, take your time as you go through the devotions. Leave pauses to allow for responses and for silence. It might also be helpful to repeat a phrase or thought.

When engaging with the resources it's important to think about the environment around you. Consider the background noise, temperature, lighting and location so that the surroundings are comfortable.

The activities in the resources may prompt a variety of feelings or emotions. Connecting to the Bible can trigger memories of significant events or people from the past. It's important to take the opportunity to talk about or reflect on these spiritual experiences.

The person you are with may need your sympathy, your listening ear and the assurance that you have heard and understood them. If the person you are with does not want to participate in the activity, leave it until another time.

We are motivated by the belief that people living with dementia may not only have a history of faith, but a vibrant faith today and a living hope for the future. This means that by the grace of God they are continuing to grow and be shaped as Christians, regardless of the changes dementia brings.

For more information on engaging with the Faith for life resources at www.hammond.com.au/shop/faith-for-life

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Time with Jesus provides interactive devotional moments celebrating the life and teaching of Jesus.

Each double page pairs a beautiful image with a range of activities from which to choose. Or, you may like to add your own.



Read aloud from the Bible



Take time to consider a thought or question



Sing together or listen to the familiar hymn



Pray on your own or with someone.

Jesus, the Saviour of the world





In the Bible, Luke 2:11-12 tells us

Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.



To consider

God gave us the gift of his son, Jesus. He was sent from heaven to save us. What a wonderful gift!



O little town of Bethlehem

O little town of Bethlehem
How still we see thee lie
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting Light
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee tonight



Prayer

Dear Lord Jesus, thank you for coming to earth and living among us. Thank you for showing us grace and truth and offering us the gift of salvation. Amen.

Jesus our teacher





In the Bible, Matthew 7:28-29 tells us

When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, because he taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law.



To consider

Sometimes there is a lot going on. Life can be full of noise and activity. This story reminds us to stop and listen with Jesus.



Trust and obey

When we walk with the Lord
In the light of His Word,
What a glory He sheds on our way!
While we do His good will,
He abides with us still,
And with all who will trust and obey.

Trust and obey, for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.



Prayer

Dear Lord Jesus, thank you for teaching us to listen.
Help us to fix our eyes on you. Amen.