



**The Lion of Judah**

Lent 2019

At The Flipside

## **Introduction**

Welcome to your 2019 Lent Journal. We hope this is a tool to help you grow in your intimacy with God. We serve an amazing God who is alive, present and longs for relationship with us; yet, He vulnerably waits for us to create space for Him. We want this lent season to be about setting aside distractions and creating space for Him to speak and move. Join us for the next 40 days; pick up your Bible and this journal and intentionally press into creating space for God to move.

## Ash Wednesday

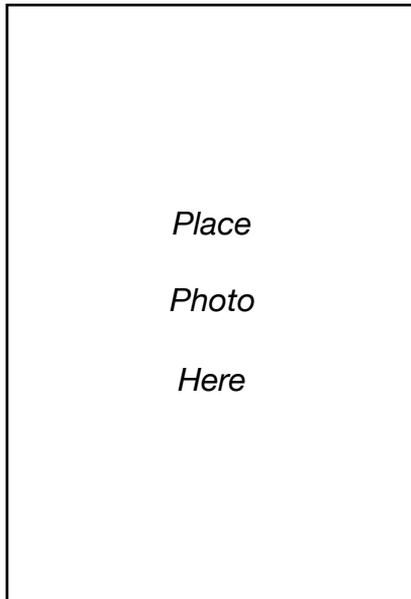
**Step 1** - Answer the following:

I'm laying down \_\_\_\_\_ to create space for Him.

What three things would you like to see change in your life this Lent Season?

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**Step 2** - Place your Ash Wednesday photo below



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## Day One

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Synopsis - Mark's gospel is quick and action packed. In the first chapter alone Mark covers a lot of ground from John the Baptist preparing the way to Jesus' baptism and wilderness experience to the calling of the disciples. And that is just the beginning. Jesus casts out demons, teaches the crowds and heals many sick people.

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### Read - Mark 1:29-34

**Reflect** - See in verses 21 to 34 that it only took from the time Jesus entered the synagogue until evening for the city to be at the door bringing their sick to Jesus. This is before things could go viral. How do you imagine the word spread so quickly to a whole city? What were people saying?

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## Day Five

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Synopsis - The history of Jerusalem is very messy. The city often represents the people of Israel. They have attacked and sometimes killed prophets of God. They have sought to follow what their hearts want instead of what God wants. Jesus' response to this is to weep for the city and people He loves. We can often be led astray by what the Bible calls our flesh, which displeases God.

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### Read - Luke 19:41-42

**Reflect** - Are there times when you feel it is more difficult to do what God wants you to do? What does that look like? Are there times when you want to do your own thing in spite of knowing God won't be happy about it? What does that look like?

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## Day Six

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Synopsis - In AD 66 a rebellion was launched in Jerusalem against Rome. After winning several small battles against Rome, catastrophe hit. They wiped out most of Galilee, Jesus home town area, and besieged Jerusalem. More than a million Jews lost their lives to starvation and the final slaughter. The Temple was leveled and much of the rest of the city was destroyed. The rebels wanted to be free of Rome. Jesus came to free them from their sins. Eternal life with freedom in God instead of a few years of freedom in Earth.

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### Read - Luke 19:43-44

**Reflect** - Jesus offers us life forever with Him in peace. Why do we focus so much on our life in this world?

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