



# Advent 2023

Advent is a season to wait, reflect, and anticipate the arrival of Jesus once again. Each year we are invited to settle our souls and consider the miracle of our Messiah coming to dwell with us. It is a time to embrace meekness, brokenness, humility and raw humanity. We are swept into the miracle that God did not despise our weakness. In love he became like us. This daily devotion is designed to be flexible, a tool to usher you further from the chaos and closer to the manger. It is for anyone to use on their own or in a family unit. It can be done efficiently in 15 minutes or take a full hour to unpack. Feel free to adapt it to your level of creativity and capacity.

## How to Use this Resource

- Before you begin: Light a candle as your “welcome candle”. Candles can help transition us from a busy day and help little ones (and adults) ready and steady our hearts in worship.
- Breath Prayer: Do not rush. Inhale and exhale the truth and allow your mind and body to be renewed. ● Song: Pull up your favorite YouTube version or simply sing acapella after finding the lyrics. Some songs may be new to you! ● Scripture: The scriptures are meant to renew your mind and refresh your soul. The order of passages in this resource comes from a traditional Catholic daily reading. Invite the Holy Spirit to give you fresh revelation.
- Jesus Storybook Bible: Sally Lloyd-Jones has written a free Advent devotional for children that you can access at [faithgateway.com](http://faithgateway.com). You will need the Jesus Storybook Bible to participate in this section. Read the story for the day in anticipation of Jesus’ coming. ● Close in a breath prayer and blow out the “welcome candle”.

\*A tip for those with children: Lower your expectations and keep it fun. Have some crayons or Legos available for busy hands when scriptures or stories are being read. Set out a blanket and dim the lights. Pick a consistent time to engage the devotional to create a routine. Sometimes things may get silly. Many times it won’t feel holy. Once in a while, though, you may get a glimpse of the foundations being laid. May you find your sweet spot as you engage Advent as a family...

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## ADVENT: Week One

<b>HOPE</b>	<b>Breathe In</b>						
<b>Sun Dec 3rd</b>	The Word became flesh	And made his dwelling among us.	O Come O Come Emmanuel	Romans 13:11-14	Wait for Dec 1 <sup>st</sup> ☺	You came for us	As you promised you would.
<b>Mon Dec 4th</b>	The Word became flesh	And made His dwelling among us.	Give me Jesus	1 Cor 1:3-9	Wait for Dec 1 <sup>st</sup> ☺	You came for us	As you promised you would.
<b>Tues Dec 5th</b>	The Word became flesh	And made His dwelling among us.	The First Noel	Mark 13:33-37	The Story and the Song	You came for us	As you promised you would.
<b>Wed Dec 6th</b>	The Word became flesh	And made His dwelling among us.	Oh Come All Ye Faithful	John 1:1-5	The Beginning: A Perfect Home	You came for us	As you promised you would.

<b>Thurs Dec 7th</b>	The Word  became flesh	And made His dwelling among us.	Silent Night	John 1	Terrible Lie	You came for us	As you promised you would.
<b>Fri Dec 8th</b>	The Word  became flesh	And made His dwelling among us.	I Saw Three Ships	Jer 33:14- 16	A New Begin ning	You came for us	As you promised you would.
<b>Sat Dec 9th</b>	The Word  became flesh	And made His dwelling among us.	O Holy Night	Isaia h 6	A Giant Stairca se to Heave n	You came for us	As you promised you would.

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## ADVENT: Week Two

<b>Sun Dec 10th</b>  Prince of Peace	I anchor my soul in you.	Come Thou Long Expected Jesus	Romans 15:4-13	Son of Laughter	In the middle of the storm	You are our Rest.
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<b>Mon</b>	Prince of Peace	I anchor my soul in you.	Do you Hear what I Hear	Psalm 43:3-6	The Present	In the middle of the storm	You are our Rest.
<b>Dec 11th</b>		I anchor my soul in you.	Came upon a midnight clear	Psalm 27:1-4	The Girl no one Wanted	In the middle of the storm	You are our Rest.
<b>Tues</b>	Prince of Peace	I anchor my soul in you.	In the Bleak Midwinter	Psalm 119:105-106	The Forgiving Prince	In the middle of the storm	You are our Rest.
<b>Dec 12th</b>		I anchor my soul in you.	He Came Here for Me	John 12:35-36	God to the Rescue	In the middle of the storm	You are our Rest.
<b>Wed</b>	Prince of Peace	I anchor my soul in you.	Away in a Manger	Ephesians 5:6-14	God Makes a Way	In the middle of the storm	You are our Rest.
<b>Dec 13th</b>		I anchor my soul in you.	Little Drummer Boy	1 Peter 2:5-9	Ten Ways to be Perfect	In the middle of the storm	You are our Rest.
<b>Thur</b>	Prince of Peace						
<b>Dec 14th</b>	Prince of Peace						
<b>Fri</b>	Prince of Peace						
<b>Dec 15th</b>	Prince of Peace						
<b>Sat</b>	Prince of Peace						
<b>Dec 16th</b>	Peace						

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## ADVENT: Week Three

<b>Sun</b>	The nations rejoice	Glory to the King of Kings	My Soul Magnifies	Isaiah 60:1-3	The Warrior Leader	The Lord has come!	Let earth receive her King.
<b>Dec 17th</b>							
<b>Mon</b>	The nations rejoice	Glory to the King of Kings	Angels We Have Heard on High	1 Cor 4:3-6	The Teenie Weenie True King	The Lord has come!	Let earth receive her King.
<b>Dec 18th</b>							
<b>Tues</b>	The nations rejoice	Glory to the King of Kings	I Hear the Bells on Christmas Day	1 John 1:4-7	The Young Hero and the Horrible Giant	The Lord has come!	Let earth receive her King.
<b>Dec 19th</b>							
<b>Wed</b>	The nations rejoice	Glory to the King of Kings	Go Tell it on a Mountain	John 3:16-21	The Good Shepherd	The Lord has come!	Let earth receive her King.
<b>Dec 20th</b>							
<b>Thurs</b>	The nations rejoice	Glory to the King of Kings	God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen	Isaiah 40:1-11	A Little Servant Girl and a Proud General	The Lord has come!	Let earth receive her King.
<b>Dec 21st</b>							
<b>Fri</b>	The nations rejoice	Glory to the King of Kings	Mary Did you Know	John 9:1-7	Operation 'No More Tears'	The Lord has come!	Let earth receive her King.
<b>Dec 22nd</b>							
<b>Sat</b>							

<b>Dec 23rd</b>	The nations rejoice						
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## ADVENT: Week Four

<b>LOVE Breathe In</b>							
<b>Sun</b> <b>Dec 24th</b>	A Light has dawned	A new and glorious morning	Hark the Harold Angels Sing	Matthew 1:18-25	He's Here	Zeal of the Lord Almighty	Come and consume my heart.
<b>Mon</b> <b>Dec 25th</b>	A Light has dawned	A new and glorious morning	Light of the World	Luke 2:8-20	Light of the Whole World	Zeal of the Lord Almighty	Come and consume my heart.