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# ADVENT

A daily reading guide for families





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**Welcome to The Little Book of Advent, a resource produced by Presbyterian Children and Families Ministry. Inside, you will find a scripture verse, question prompt and prayer for each day during Advent. This book is great for families to explore the birth of Jesus together.**

**We know that December can be hectic! Please don't feel discouraged or stressed if you miss a day or two. Any time spent reading the Bible together is valuable!**

**We pray that your family will be blessed by this resource!**



## SUNDAY, DEC 1

Read: John 1:1

I wonder... what do you hope for this Christmas?

Pray: Thank you, Jesus, that you have been with God from the beginning.

## MONDAY, DEC 2

Read: John 1:3-5

I wonder... of all the things God created, what is your favourite?

Pray: Praise you Lord, for all of the things you have created.



## TUESDAY, DEC 3

Read: Micah 5:2

I wonder... What is the oldest thing your family owns?

Pray: Thank you, that we can be part of God's big story.

## WEDNESDAY, DEC 4

Read: Isaiah 9:2

I wonder... how does it feel to walk in the dark?

Pray: Thank you Lord, that you had a great plan all along.

## THURSDAY, DEC 5

Read: Isaiah 11:1-2

I wonder... does our family have any favourite Christmas traditions?

Pray: Lord, may we know a sense of belonging in God's big family.



## FRIDAY, DEC 6

Read: Isaiah 7:14

I wonder... what does it feel like to know God is with us?

Pray: Thank you God, that you are with us at all times.

## SATURDAY, DEC 7

Read: Luke 1:26-28

I wonder... what would it be like to meet an angel?

Pray: God, help us to be faithful to you, just like Mary was.

## SUNDAY, DEC 8

Read: Luke 1:29-31

I wonder... what might Mary be feeling?

Pray: Give us courage when we face challenges, oh Lord.



## MONDAY, DEC 9

Read: Luke 1:32-33

I wonder... what do you think is the greatest thing about God?

Pray: Thank you God, for all the great ways you love us.

## TUESDAY, DEC 10

Read: Luke 1:34-35

I wonder... what is the biggest surprise you've had?

Pray: Help us God, to be open to being surprised by you!



## WEDNESDAY, DEC 11

Read: Luke 1:37-38

I wonder... what Mary may have thought about after the angel left?

Pray: Thank you God, that nothing is impossible for you!

## THURSDAY, DEC 12

Read: Matthew 1:18-19

I wonder... how Joseph reacted to the news that Mary was pregnant?

Pray: God, help us to trust you, even when things feel really tough.

## FRIDAY, DEC 13

Read: Matthew 1:20-21

I wonder... do you know what your name means?

Pray: Thank you for being Immanuel-God with us.



## SATURDAY, DEC 14

Read: Matthew 1:22-25

I wonder... what do you think Joseph thought when he first woke up?

Pray: God, help us to listen to your voice, and obey you.

## SUNDAY, DEC 15

Read: Luke 1:39-42

I wonder... what it might feel like to be filled with the Holy Spirit?

Pray: May we be filled with excitement for you, Lord!

## MONDAY, DEC 16

Luke 2:4-5

I wonder... what's the longest trip you have been on?  
Pray: We praise you for keeping us safe as we journey through life.



## TUESDAY, DEC 17

Read: Luke 2:6-7

I wonder... what would be the worst thing about sleeping in a manger?  
Pray: Thank you God, that sometimes you do things in unexpected ways!

## WEDNESDAY, DEC 18

Read: Luke 2:8-9

I wonder... when have you been terrified?  
Pray: Help us God, to know that you are with us when we are scared.

## THURSDAY, DEC 19

Read: Luke 2:10-11

I wonder... can you imagine being one of those shepherds?  
Pray: Thank you God, that you came for all of us.



## FRIDAY, DEC 20

Read: Luke 2:13-14

I wonder... what is your favourite Christmas Carol?  
Pray: Like the Angels, God we praise you for your goodness!

## SATURDAY, DEC 21

Read: Luke 2:15-18

I wonder... who can we tell about Jesus this Christmas?

Pray: God, help us to tell people about you, just like the shepherds did.

## SUNDAY, DEC 22

Read: Matthew 2:1-2

I wonder... what emotions do you think the Wise Men felt?

Pray: Thank you God, that you guide us and show us the way in our lives



## MONDAY, DEC 23

Read: Matthew 2:10-11

I wonder... what is the best present you've ever received?

Pray: Thank you, for showing us your love sending your son Jesus.



## TUESDAY, DEC 24

Read: Isaiah 9:6

I wonder... what is your favourite thing about Jesus?

Pray: Lord, help us to remember that Jesus was the greatest gift of all.

## WEDNESDAY, DEC 25

Read: John 1:14

I wonder... how can we remember Jesus in our celebrations today?

Pray: God, thank you for your son Jesus! Help us to always put Him first.



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