

ADVENT-HOPE A Family Faith Moment

Create a simple Christmas countdown to mark off the days until Christmas. On a piece of paper or card, draw a 5x5 grid. Mark each box, starting at 25, and working your way down to 1. Each day, fill in a boxyou can use stickers, paint fingerprints or colour in with felt pens.

> Thank you God. for sending your Son Jesus to us. Help us to wait with expectation. and to remember the true meaning of this season. AMEN!

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REFLECTION

Very soon. it will be Christmas! I am sure that you have seen the signs of its approach-ads on the TV. decorations in the shops. Maybe you've even put your Christmas tree up already !? Hope means waiting expectantly, which descibes this time of year rather well! It also reminds us that God's people waited with great hope for the coming of the Son of God.

What does it feel like to wait? In what ways is waiting good? In what ways is it hard? What excites you most about Christmas?

EQUIPMENT Paper or card Ruler Pens or pencils Optional: Stickers, paint

COUNTDOWN CRAFT

PRAYER: