

Advent Adventure

IMMANUEL - GOD WITH US

AT HOME WITH GOD

Third Week of Advent

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Getting started

Everything you need for your Advent Adventure is here. Grab *a Bible (or a storybook Bible if you'd prefer)*, and *print a copy* of this for those you'll be using it with. *Lighting a candle on an Advent ring or opening the doors to your Advent calendar* also make for fun traditions to go alongside these readings.

Sunday 11th December

Read: Luke 2 v8-11

When you read verse 9, light 3 candles

Listen to: "Light of the World" by Lauren Daigle on YouTube or say together:

*The light of Jesus
Brings love into our lives.
The light of Jesus
Saves us from darkness.
The light of Jesus
Changes us, fills us.*



Pray: Lord God,
We want you to come
and live inside us today.
We want to have the light of Jesus
inside us.
Amen.

Monday 12th December

Jacob plans to take Esau's blessing

→ Light the Advent candle.

Read: Genesis 27 v1-10

Pray: Lord God,
Jacob was greedy,
he wanted to take Esau's blessing,
and he tricked his father Isaac.
Help us not to be greedy
and take things which aren't ours.
Help us to share all that we have.
Amen.

→ Open the Advent calendar door.

Tuesday 13th December

Jacob's dream about a ladder going up to heaven

→ Light the Advent candle.

Read: Genesis 28 v10-17

Pray: Dear God,
We thank you for the night-time
when we can all sleep.
Help us to sleep well,
but if we have bad dreams
help us to remember you are



with us in the darkness
of the night. Amen.

You could learn Psalm 3 v5 (Good News Bible):

'I lie down and sleep
and all night long the Lord protects me.'

→ Open the Advent calendar door.

Wednesday 14th December

Joseph tells tales over his brothers

→ Light the Advent candle.

Read: Genesis 37 v1-4

Pray: Dear Lord,

We are very sorry
when we tell tales
over other people.
Please help us not to do it.
When Joseph told tales
it made so much trouble
we don't want our family to be like that.
Amen.

→ Open the Advent calendar door.

Thursday 15th December

Joseph forgives his brothers

→ Light the Advent candle.

Say: *Because Joseph's brothers hated him so much they sold him as a slave and pretended he was dead. In Egypt, Joseph became a very important person, because God helped him warn the Egyptians of a terrible famine. Joseph's brothers came to Egypt to buy food from Joseph, but they didn't recognise him.*



Read: Genesis 45 v1-8a, 14-15

Pray: Lord Jesus,
We thank you that Joseph
forgave his brothers.
We thank you that
because you died on the cross,
we can be forgiven
for all the wrong things we do.
Please help us to forgive
each other too.
Amen.

→ Open the Advent calendar door.

Friday 16th December

Ruth meets Boaz

→ Light the Advent candle.

Explain: *Ruth and Naomi had come back to Bethlehem, because their husbands had died. Boaz was their relative and he might look after them.*

Read: Ruth 2 v1-4, 14-16

Pray: Dear God,
Boaz knew that Ruth and Naomi
were poor and hungry.
He was kind to Ruth,
and made sure she had food.
Help us to be kind and generous
to those who have
no money or food. Amen.

Ask: *Is there any way you could give food or money to those for whom Christmas will be hard this year?*



It could be a local charity, food bank or international mission agency

→ Open the Advent calendar door.

Saturday 17th December

David and Goliath

→ Light the Advent candle.

Read: This would best be told from a Bible story book, or 1 Samuel 17 v1, v4, v8-9, v12, v20-24, v32, v48-49

Pray: Dear God,

When David was a young boy
he loved you,
and fought Goliath
because he trusted you.

When he grew up
and became King,
he still loved you.

We pray that we will always love you
and follow you,
just like David did.
Amen.

→ Open the Advent calendar door.

