

# Advent Adventure

## IMMANUEL - GOD WITH US

AT HOME WITH GOD

## Fourth Week of Advent

*Immanuel - God With Us In The World*

### 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 18<sup>th</sup> December

→ Light all 4 candles.

Read: Luke 2 v13-20

Pray: Dear Lord Jesus,

Please help us to be  
like the shepherds.  
To go out and tell  
other people about you.  
Amen.



Say together:

*Our eyes will see your creation,  
Our ears will hear your voice,  
Our hands will feel the things you've made,  
Our noses will smell your world!  
Our mouths will tell of your goodness and greatness.*

## **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December**

*David the songwriter*

→ Light the Advent candle.

Read: Psalm 24

Ask: *When David looked at God's world he saw how special it was. What part of God's world do you want to thank God for today?*

Pray: Dear God,

You have made so many  
wonderful things.  
We want to thank you today  
for \_\_\_\_\_ .  
Amen.

→ Open the Advent calendar door.

## **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December**

*Jesus' family history*

→ Light the Advent candle.

Read: Look together at a Bible and pick out the names of Jesus' ancestors:  
Luke 3 v23, 31, 32, 34, 36, 38



Say: *Jesus had some well-known people in his family history. Over Advent we have read some stories about Jesus' ancestors.*

Pray: Pray today for your relatives:  
grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins.  
Ask God to be with them.

→ Open the Advent calendar door.

## **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December**

*Joseph's dream*

→ Light the Advent candle.

(If you have a crib scene you could use the different figures as a focus for your prayer time over the next few days.)

Read: Matthew 1 v18-21, 24-25 (or read about Joseph in a Bible story book)

Pray: Dear God,

Sometimes we don't want  
to do what is right.  
Please help us to be like Joseph,  
and do what's right,  
even when it's difficult.  
Amen.

→ Open the Advent calendar door.

## **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> December**

*Mary is told about Jesus' birth*

→ Light the Advent candle.

Read: Luke 1 v26-38



Pray: Dear God,

We thank you for the angel Gabriel  
who came to visit Mary.  
Thank you that your angels  
guard us, help us and protect us.  
Amen.

Read: Matthew 18 v10, which tells you about your own special angel.

→ Open the Advent calendar door.

## **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> December**

*Joseph and Mary arrive in Bethlehem*

→ Light the Advent candle.

Read: Luke 2 v1-5

Pray: Dear Lord,

So many people will be travelling  
over this Christmastime.  
Please keep them safe,  
(especially \_\_\_\_\_). Amen.

→ Open the Advent calendar door.

## **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> December**

Listen to: 'The Angels Knew' – find it on the 'Worship for Everyone' YouTube channel.



## Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> December

*Jesus is born!*

→ Light all 4 candles.

Read: Luke 2 v6-7

Pray: Thank you, Lord Jesus,  
that you were born today.  
Please help us to have  
a happy time together  
as we celebrate your birthday! Amen.

## Monday 26<sup>th</sup> December

*The shepherds came to worship*

(If you have a crib scene you could collect them and use them today)

Read: Luke 2 v8-20

Ask: *What do we want to thank God for about our church?*

Pray: Dear God,  
The shepherds came to worship  
Jesus in the stable.  
We come to worship him  
in our church.  
We thank you for our church,  
especially for \_\_\_\_\_. Amen.

## Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> December

*The wise men travel a long way*

Read: Matthew 2 v1-8

Pray: God our Father,



We are sad that King Herod  
was not a good man and  
that he wanted to kill Jesus.  
We pray for our Queen and government:  
help them to be good people  
and to follow your laws.  
Amen.

## Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> December

You may want to find some pens and paper to write down your 'GOLD' prayer.

*The wise men worship Jesus*

Read: Matthew 2 v9-12

Pray: *Think of 4 things you want to thank God  
for beginning with the letters G O L D.*

Dear God,  
We thank you for

G \_\_\_\_\_  
O \_\_\_\_\_  
L \_\_\_\_\_  
D \_\_\_\_\_

You shower so many good things on us.  
Thank you! Amen.

## Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> December

*The family escapes from King Herod*

Ask: What are you frightened of?

Read: Matthew 2 v13-15



Pray: Dear Lord God,

It must have been frightening  
escaping from King Herod.  
We are frightened of many things  
please help us to remember  
that you are always with us.  
Amen.

## **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> December**

*They come home to Nazareth*

Read: Matthew 2:19-23

Ask: *Think of something you really like about your home.*

Pray: Thank you God,  
for our home,  
especially \_\_\_\_\_  
We want you to be here  
in our home  
next year.  
Amen.

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