

Advent Family Reflection Guide

Use these reflection questions to help guide discussions with your family during the Advent season.

WEEK 1 : God is Working While You Wait

- How would you define waiting? What does it feel like to wait?
- How familiar are you with the tradition of Advent? What role has it played in your past Christmas seasons?
- How do you think the people who were waiting for Jesus to come must have felt when they heard the good news that Jesus had been born, at just the right time?
- Read Acts 20:35b. What do you think Jesus meant when He said, "it is more blessed to give than to receive?"

WEEK 2 : God Will Use Your Waiting

- How can you take time to be quiet and still every day and think about who Jesus is and what He has done for you?
- Can you think of a time when you gave someone something and didn't get anything in return? How did you feel?
- Read Isaiah 40:27-31. Can you think of a time when you felt weak, but God gave you strength?
- Have you ever felt afraid about the future? What are some things you can do to remind yourself that God will keep you safe?

WEEK 3 : Waiting on God and With God

- Sometimes there are things in life that get our attention, like wanting things we don't have. What if we stop trying to satisfy our hearts with what the world has to offer, and we trust that Jesus is enough? How do you think that would change the way you live?
- Think of the most beautiful, perfect place you have ever seen or experienced. How does it make you feel to know that Jesus is preparing a place for you that is so much better than anything we can imagine here on earth?
- Read 2 Peter 3:13. These verses tell us that the Lord is not slow, but that He is patient and his time is measured differently than ours. How does it make you feel to know that God is in control of all things, and He will come to take us home someday?
- What is something you can give this Christmas season, other than presents?

WEEK 4 : God is Waiting for You

- What does it mean to be humble?
- Read John 3:16. How does it make you feel to know that God loved you so much, that He sent His one and only son to rescue you?
- Have you ever thought about why God may have chosen the shepherds to be the first to hear the good news? Does this change the way you see God's grace in your life?
- What is the "Good News" the angel is talking about in Luke 2? Why is it considered Good News?