

Prayers for Advent Sundays

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Week 1

Ask God for a fresh revelation of the significance of the incarnation. Commit to Him in prayer, your desire to be still this Advent season and know that He is God.

Thank You Father that Jesus became flesh and lived among us, and that His glory was revealed! Father, thank You for sending Jesus, Your own Son, in the likeness of sinful man, to be a sin offering for me, providing the way for me to become Your child. Jesus the Messiah is born!

You alone Lord Jesus are Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father and Prince of Peace. It is in You, Lord Jesus that all the fullness of God dwells, and through You alone that I have been reconciled to God because of Your shed blood on the cross. I confess Lord Jesus, that You alone are the way to God the Father, You alone are the truth and the

life.

Forgive me, I pray for the ways that I have allowed the light of Christ in me, to be diminished—for You have said, Lord Jesus, that if the light within me is darkness, how great is that darkness! You, Lord Jesus, who is the light of the world and has entrusted me with the light of the Gospel, shine through me!

Fill me with Your compassion for those around me, and help me to love like You love. Destroy complacency and the desire for comfort in me. Change me that I might be willing to be inconvenienced for the sake of others and the Gospel. Open my eyes to the needs of those around me, and may I be one who invests in what is eternal.

By Your Spirit, may I always be prepared to give the reason for the hope that I have—You, Lord Jesus are my hope. But may I always do so with gentleness and respect, that the incarnation of the Gospel may be lived out through me. As I enter this season celebrating Your coming, Lord Jesus—the first Advent, I pray that the wonder of Your coming to earth would capture my heart once again. Fill me with child-like awe and inexpressible joy. I ask this in Your mighty Name, the name of Jesus, Amen.

John 1:14; Romans 8:3; John 1:12; Isaiah 9:6; John 14:6; Colossians 1:19-23; Matthew 5:16; Matthew 6:23; 1 John 2:15; Matthew 9:36; 1 Peter 3:15

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