

The Glory of The Christmas

The following devotional was designed to give a framework for discussion around the advent candles and the birth of Jesus in these weeks leading up to Christmas. Each week of Advent we encourage you to light the weekly candle and spend some time with the pieces of the devotional as an individual or family. Especially in this up and down year of 2020, we have a chance pause and put our reflections back on the real meaning for the season.

Join us on Sunday mornings as we focus on the characters of Christmas through the lens of "The Glory of Christmas" series from one of our favorites: The Skit Guys. Keep an eye on our social media and website for other advent resources and video devotions to add to your weekly time with Jesus this Christmas season. Our prayer is that we can all refocus our hearts and minds on the One who should truly be the center of this season and our lives.

Happy Advent(ures) & Merry Christmas!

CABC Sunday Morning Worship 9am

In person (with masks) or online at www.christabc.org/live or www.youtube.com (search for ChristsABC)

CABC Christmas Info & Resource

www.christabc.org/christmas

2020 CABC Advent Devotional

Advent Week #1: November 29

Candle of Hope (Purple)

Character: Mary Readings: Isaiah 9:6-7 Luke 1:26-56

Song: Angels We Have Heard on High

Discussion: How is this Christmas season different for you and your family?

How cany you have a Hope in what God is doing even during the disruption of life

around you?

Prayer: Lord, we pray that you would give us the strength to be your servant as Mary was and

that your hope would fill our lives this Christmas season.

Advent Week #2: December 6

Candle of Peace (Purple) Character: Joseph Readings: Isaiah 54:10 Matthew 1:18-25

Song: Silent Night

Discussion: What are you afraid of?

What steps can you take to allow the Peace of God to control your life this week? Prayer: Lord, help us to not be afraid of the world that is before us. We ask for your peace to guide each step we take in the days to come.

Advent Week #3: December 13

Candle of Joy (Pink) Character: Shepherd Readings: Isaiah 12:5-6 Luke 2:1-20

Song: Joy to the World

Discussion: What areas of your life are not filled with Joy right now?

In what ways can your Joy overflow to others around you this week?

Prayer: Lord, we praise you for the Joy of your Son's birth. We pray that you allow that joy to fill our hearts so that we can be used by You to spread that joy to others.

Advent Week #4: December 20

Candle of Love (Purple)
Character: Wiseman
Readings: Matthew 2:2-12
1 John 4:7-11
John 3:16

Song: Hark the Herald Angels Sing

Discussion: What is taking your time away from seeking Jesus?

How can you and/or your family share the Love of Jesus today?

Prayer: Lord, we thank you for your love in the form of a baby who came to save us! May our lives lived out be examples of that same love you gave to us.

Christmas Eve: December 24

Christ Candle (White) Character: Us Readings:

> Luke 1:26-38 Matthew 1:18-25 Luke 2:1-20 Matthew 2:1-12

Song: O Holy Night!

Discussion: What does the birth of Jesus mean for you?

Take some moments to rest and reflect as we remember this amazing gift God sent for us!

Prayer: Lord, on this night we pray that you would refocus our hearts on your so that we can continue to live a life worthy of the Son you sent for each of us. Thank you for this amazing gift!