

Scripture Reading Plan for Christmas 2025

Calvary Family Devotion

The *Gospel of Luke* and the Advent Season

November 30 – December 24, 2025

The Advent Season

The Advent season is a four-week period in the Christian calendar that prepares people for Jesus Christ's birth at Christmas, while also pointing ahead to his promised return. Each Sunday of the season traditionally spotlights a key theme—like hope, peace, joy, or love—to invite reflection, prayer, and expectant celebration.

Advent comes from the Latin word *adventus* meaning “coming.” Many churches observe a time of expectant waiting and preparation for the celebration of Jesus at Christmas. The Latin word *adventus* is the translation of the Greek word *parousia*, which references Christ's Second Coming. Christians believe that the season of Advent serves a reminder that Christ has come and that he will come again.

In this Calvary Family Devotion, we will explore God's Word together through:

- Reading the Bible on a daily basis
- Memorizing Scripture (let the Lord highlight to you a few verses for you to memorize)
- Using questions to help us reflect on what God is saying to us

Doing these activities as a church family allows the Holy Spirit to speak to us corporately. We believe that God speaks to us in many ways. Our part is to make room, to cultivate the capacity to let the seed of God's Word find good soil in our hearts. The challenge before us is to give God time in our schedules, room in our minds, and access to our hearts through intentionally devoting ourselves to God's Word. Let's press into the presence of the Lord by encountering God in his Holy Word.

The Challenge

We will use a daily reading plan that covers the *Gospel of Luke* and other verses associated with the Advent of Christ.

The Schedule

Our reading and reflecting upon God's word together will go from November 30 – December 24.

The *Gospel of Luke*

Luke wrote his Gospel so that his readers would understand that the gospel is for all, both Jews and Gentiles alike, since Jesus is the promised one of God as prophesied in the OT and as attested through God's saving activity in Jesus' life, death, and resurrection. In addition to this, Luke emphasized the truthfulness of the Christian traditions his readers had been taught, so that by believing in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, they would receive the promised Holy Spirit whom he gives to all who follow him. (ESV Study Bible).

The Advent Season

Reflection Questions for Dialogue or Journaling

1. Preparation: Come to God's Word with a listening, attentive, and attuned ear and heart. Ask the Lord to meet with you and speak to you as you spend time with him in his Word.
2. As you read the *Gospel of Luke*, what is God revealing about himself to you?
3. What are you learning or discovering as you spend time reading the *Gospel of Luke*?
4. What is getting stirred up in you as you read? Share or journal what you are thinking or feeling.
5. What is the Holy Spirit asking you to do or how are you feeling led to respond as you read?
6. Where is your love for Christ manifesting in obedience? Celebrate progress. Where are you falling short through disobedience? Don't just think in moral terms. Think, too, in missional terms. What has God asked you to do or say that you are resisting? Ask God for forgiveness. With the help of the Holy Spirit, identify and make intentional efforts to do what the Lord is asking you to do.

Scripture Reading Plan for the *Gospel of Luke* and Advent Scriptures

Date	Read
11/30/25	Psalm 130
12/1/19	Luke 1
12/2/19	Luke 2
12/3/19	Luke 3
12/4/19	Luke 4
12/5/19	Luke 5
12/6/19	Luke 6
12/7/19	Luke 7

12/8/19	Luke 8
12/9/19	Luke 9
12/10/19	Luke 10
12/11/19	Luke 11
12/12/19	Luke 12
12/13/19	Luke 13
12/14/19	Luke 14
12/15/19	Luke 15
12/16/19	Luke 16
12/17/19	Luke 17
12/18/19	Luke 18
12/19/19	Luke 19
12/20/19	Luke 20
12/21/19	Luke 21
12/22/19	Luke 22
12/23/19	Luke 23
12/24/19	Luke 24

Additional Verses

Hope: Isaiah 11:1-10; Isaiah 7:10-14; Matthew 1:18-24

Peace: Micah 5:2; Matthew 2:1-2, 9-11; Isaiah 2:1-5; Matthew 3:1-6

Joy: Isaiah 9:6-7; John 1:19-34; Ecclesiastes 3:1-8; Philippians 2:1-11

Love: Malachi 3:1-5; Romans 8:18-25; Isaiah 52:7-10; Revelation 21:1-14

Light: Isaiah 9:1-6; John 1:1-18; Titus 2:11-14

Weekly Challenge

Choose at least one activity each week that you and your family can do to help bring hope, peace, love, and joy to others. As you spread the love of Jesus through these activities, ask the Lord for opportunities to share the Gospel of the Kingdom of God.

- Write a note or send a card to someone that you know is struggling right now. Consider those who lost a loved one over the past year or suffered a hardship.
- Make a treat to take to a neighbor, shut-in, or the homeless.
- Invite a neighbor over for dinner, or ask a senior if you can bring them a meal.
- Purchase a gift card and give it to a waiter or sales person as you shop.
- Make Christmas cards with your kids and take them to a nursing home for staff to distribute to the residents. If you can only make a few, ask them to distribute the cards to residents who do not receive frequent visitors.
- Donate toys or canned goods to [Cy-Fair Helping Hands](#). Visit the CFHH web site to view other ways you can contribute.
- Take time to consider ways you can serve at church and/or in your community. Write it down, make a plan, and get in action.
- Ask the Lord if there is someone he would like for you to bless in a special way this Christmas. It may include providing a service they need or blessing them financially.
- Help your kids write a note to an adult that has inspired or helped them in some way.
- Open your calendar and write down the name of a different person on each day of December. Each day, pray for the person on your list. Parents, you can also do this as a family with your kids. Kids can either make their own list, or families can make a list and pray for the names together daily.