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# The Names of Jesus

A Family Advent  
Devotional

# What's Included in This Guide

This Advent Devotional Guide is designed to help your family slow down, connect, and prepare your hearts for Christmas together. Each part of the guide has been created to make learning about Jesus meaningful, memorable, and easy to enjoy during this busy season. Here's what's included and how to use each part.

## **Family Blessing:**

Begin your Advent season with this simple, heartfelt prayer to dedicate your time together to God. It's a beautiful way to invite His presence and set the tone for the weeks ahead.

## **Daily Devotions (25 Days of Names of Jesus):**

Each day includes a Scripture verse, a short devotion written for families, a related activity or reflection, and a simple prayer prompt. Together, these daily readings help your family discover more about who Jesus is and what His names reveal about His love and character.

## **Name Strips (Paper Chain):**

Each strip features one of the 25 names of Jesus. Cut out a strip each day and add it to your paper chain as you complete the devotion. By Christmas Day, you'll have a beautiful decoration reminding your family of all the ways Jesus reveals Himself to us.

## **Christmas Day Devotion:**

On Christmas morning, read this special devotion as a family to celebrate the greatest gift of all—Jesus! This final reading ties together everything you've learned throughout Advent.

## **Family Reflection Page:**

After completing all 25 devotions, take time to reflect on what you've learned. This page includes discussion questions and space to record favorite memories or thoughts about how your family has grown in faith together.

## **Verse Cards:**

These printable cards feature the daily Bible verses for each name of Jesus. You can display them on your Advent chain, hang them as ornaments, tape them to a mirror, or tuck them into lunchboxes for extra encouragement throughout the season.



# What is Advent?

Advent begins 4 Sundays before Christmas (November 30th in 2025) and continues until Christmas Eve. Advent is the season leading up to Christmas—a time for Christians to prepare their hearts for the celebration of Jesus' birth. The word Advent means "coming," and it reminds us not only of when Jesus came to earth as a baby, but also that He will come again one day. During the four weeks before Christmas, families slow down, light candles, read Scripture, pray, and focus on hope, peace, joy, and love. Advent helps us remember that Christmas isn't just about presents or decorations—it's about God's promise and the gift of His Son.

## How to Use This Devotional

This Advent devotional is designed to help families slow down, connect, and focus on the true meaning of Christmas—Jesus. Each day from during Advent, you'll explore one of the many names of Jesus found in Scripture.



**Read Together:** Begin by reading the short daily devotion and the accompanying Bible passage as a family.



**Discuss:** Take a few minutes to talk about what that name of Jesus means and how it helps us understand who He is.



**Do an Activity:** Each day includes a simple, optional hands-on activity to help children remember the name and message in a fun, meaningful way.



**Build Your Chain:** Cut out the day's name strip and form it into a loop. Add it to your growing paper chain. By Christmas Day, you'll have a beautiful reminder of 25 names of Jesus—a symbol of His love that connects us all.



**Pray Together:** End each time by thanking God for the gift of Jesus and asking Him to help your family live out what you've learned.

Use this guide in whatever way best fits your family—at breakfast, bedtime, or gathered around the Advent candles. The goal isn't perfection, but connection—celebrating Jesus, the greatest gift of all.

# A Family Blessing for the Start of Advent

Before you begin your 25 days of devotions, take a quiet moment together as a family. You might light a candle, hold hands, or simply take a deep breath and pray this blessing together:

Family Blessing:

"Dear God, as we begin this Advent season, help us to slow down and make room in our hearts for You.

Thank You for sending Jesus — the greatest gift of all.

As we learn more about who He is through each name, help our family grow in faith, hope, peace, and love.

Let our home shine with Your light, and remind us that You are always with us.

In Jesus' name, Amen."



# Savior

"Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord."

Luke 2:11



**Read:** A savior is someone who rescues another person from danger or harm—a kind of hero. Who comes to mind when you think of a hero? Maybe a parent, grandparent, firefighter, soldier, or even a superhero from a movie. But there's one hero greater than all of them—Jesus!

The Bible calls Jesus our Savior because He came to rescue us from something no one else could—sin and death. Sin separates us from God, but Jesus loved us so much that He gave His life for us. He died on the cross, and three days later, He came back to life! Because of what Jesus did, we can be forgiven and live forever with God. Jesus truly is our Savior!



**Activity:** Make a "Rescue Reminder" heart:

- Cut out a small paper heart for each person.
- Write "Jesus Saves" or "Jesus Is My Savior" on it.
- Hang it on your chain or somewhere you'll see it as a reminder that Jesus' love rescues us.



**Discuss:**

- What do you think it means that Jesus "saves" us?
- How does it make you feel to know that Jesus gave His life to rescue you?
- What are some ways we can thank Jesus for being our Savior?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for saving us and giving us life with You forever. Help us remember Your love every day.

# The Word

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God and the Word was God."

John 1:1



**Read:** Have you ever gotten a letter in the mail or a message from a friend? Maybe it was a card, a note, or even an email that made you smile. The person who delivers the letter—like the mail carrier—is a messenger bringing words from someone else.

In today's verse, Jesus is called "The Word." The Bible tells us that The Word was with God in the beginning and that everything was made through Him. Jesus was there before the world even began! But why do we call Him The Word? Because Jesus didn't just come to bring a message from God—He is the message. His life, His love, and everything He said and did show us exactly who God is and how much He loves us. Through Jesus, God's Word came to life! And because Jesus is alive today, God's Word still speaks to our hearts every day.



**Activity:** Write a message of encouragement or cheer to share with someone you know.



**Discuss:**

- What do you think it means that Jesus is "The Word"?
- How does Jesus show us what God is like?
- What are some ways we can help share God's message with others?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for teaching us through Your words and being the message of God's love. Help us share Your Word with others.



# Emmanuel

"The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Emmanuel (which means 'God with us')."

Matthew 1:23



**Read:** Long ago, in the very beginning, God walked closely with Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden. But when they disobeyed Him, sin separated them from God. Even later, when God's people traveled through the desert, He was near them in a cloud or fire—but still apart. Then one day, an angel told Mary she would have a baby named Emmanuel, which means "God with us."

When Jesus was born, that promise came true! Jesus was fully human—He got hungry, tired, and felt joy and sadness—yet He was also fully God. Through Jesus, God came to live among His people again. And the good news is that He is still with us today! Even though we can't see Him with our eyes, His Spirit is always with us to guide, comfort, and remind us that we are never alone.



**Activity:** Scan the code to learn how to sign [Emmanuel in American Sign Language](#)



**Discuss:**

- What do you think it means that God is with us?
- How do you feel knowing that Jesus is still with you today, even though you can't see Him?
- What are some times when you've felt God's presence or comfort?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for being with us always, even when we cannot see You. Help us feel Your presence every day.



# Wonderful Counselor

"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

Isaiah 9:6



**Read:** Have you ever had a problem you didn't know how to solve? Maybe you were upset, confused, or unsure what to do. A counselor is someone who listens carefully and gives wise advice to help you through a problem. In today's verse, the prophet Isaiah calls Jesus our Wonderful Counselor.

That means Jesus isn't just someone we know about—He's someone we can truly know. He cares about every part of our lives and always listens when we talk to Him. Because Jesus is God, He understands everything and gives us perfect wisdom. There's no problem too big or too small for Him! When we don't know what to do, we can pray and trust that Jesus will guide us in the right way, because His wisdom is more wonderful than we can imagine.



**Activity:** Listen to the song ["What a Friend We Have in Jesus"](#).



Afterward, talk together about what it means that we can bring every worry, question, or problem to Jesus in prayer.

Option: Write a short note or prayer to Jesus about something you need His wisdom or help with.



**Discuss:**

- What are some things you talk to Jesus about when you pray?
- How does it help you to know that Jesus listens and understands everything?
- What's one way you can seek Jesus' wisdom when you have a problem or decision to make?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for guiding us and giving us wisdom. Help us listen to You when we need help.



# Advocate

"My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father - Jesus Christ the Righteous One."

1 John 2:1



**Read:** Have you ever gotten in trouble and had someone stand up for you? Maybe a friend, a teacher, or a parent spoke up on your behalf or helped explain what really happened. That person was being an advocate—someone who defends, supports, or speaks for another person.

That's what Jesus does for us! The Bible tells us that even though God wants us to live without sin, He knows we can't do that perfectly. When we do sin, Jesus stands beside us. He speaks for us before God the Father and reminds us that He already paid the price for our sins when He died on the cross. Our enemy, Satan, tries to accuse us or make us feel trapped by guilt—but Jesus defends us and says, "This one belongs to Me." Because of Jesus, we can live in freedom and victory!



**Activity:** Do an Encouragement Challenge:

- Think of someone who could use a friend to stand up for them or offer support—maybe a sibling, classmate, or neighbor.
- Do one kind thing for them today—say an encouraging word, include them in a game, or write a short note reminding them they're not alone.
- Talk about how being an encourager to others helps reflect what Jesus does for us as our Advocate.



**Discuss:**

- What do you think it means that Jesus stands up for us?
- How does it make you feel to know Jesus defends and forgives you when you mess up?
- What are some ways you can be an advocate or encourager for someone else this week?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for standing up for us and protecting us from harm. Help us trust Your care always.

# Redeemer

"I know that my redeemer lives, and that in the end He will stand on the earth."

Job 19:25



**Read:** Have you ever used a coupon or gift card at the store? When you hand it to the cashier, you're redeeming it—trading it in to get something valuable in return. The word redeem means "to buy back" or "to reclaim."

The Bible tells us that Jesus is our Redeemer. Without Him, we were trapped by sin—separated from God and unable to free ourselves. But Jesus loved us so much that He came to buy us back. The price He paid wasn't money—it was His own life. He gave Himself on the cross so that we could be forgiven and live in freedom. Because of Jesus, we have been redeemed and belong to God again!



**Activity:** Have a Family Freedom Night:

- As a family, choose a fun way to celebrate the freedom Jesus gives—play a game together, have a dance party, or enjoy a favorite treat.
- Before you start, talk about what it means that Jesus set us free from sin.
- End your time by thanking Jesus for being your Redeemer and for the gift of freedom He gives.



**Discuss:**

- What do you think it means that Jesus "bought us back"?
- How does it make you feel to know that Jesus thought you were worth that much?
- What are some ways we can live in thankfulness and freedom because Jesus is our Redeemer?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for buying us back with Your love and sacrifice. Help us live in the freedom You give us.



# Lamb of God

"The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"

John 1:29



**Read:** What color is a lamb? Lambs are usually white—clean, pure, and gentle. When we think of something white, we often think of something that hasn't been spoiled or stained. But when we sin, it's like we become dirty or stained inside.

In the Old Testament, God's people would offer a spotless lamb as a sacrifice for their sins. The lamb had to be the very best—clean, pure, and without blemish. But those sacrifices could never fully take away sin. That's why Jesus came! The Bible calls Him the Lamb of God because He was completely perfect and without sin. When Jesus died on the cross, He took away the sin of the whole world—once and for all. We don't need any more sacrifices, because Jesus' love and forgiveness are enough forever. My sin is covered because Jesus is the Lamb of God!



**Activity:** Just like snow is white, clean, and pure, we can remember that Jesus, the Lamb of God, makes our hearts clean too! Take a piece of white paper and fold it to make a snowflake. As you cut and unfold your snowflake, think about how Jesus' sacrifice takes away our sins and makes us new. Hang your snowflakes around the house as a reminder of His love and forgiveness.



**Discuss:**

- Why do you think Jesus is called the Lamb of God?
- How does it make you feel to know Jesus took away your sins forever?
- What are some ways you can thank Jesus for making your heart clean?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for taking away our sin and making us clean. Help us remember Your perfect love.



# Good Shepherd

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."

John 10:11



**Read:** Do you know what a shepherd does? A shepherd takes care of sheep—guiding them, protecting them, and making sure they have what they need. If Jesus is our Shepherd, that means we are like His sheep. That might sound funny at first, but we really are! Sheep can get lost, fall over, or get tangled. They can't protect themselves very well and need someone to guide and care for them.

In many ways, we're the same. We can get lost in tricky situations, feel unsure, or face things we can't handle on our own. That's why we need Jesus, our Good Shepherd. He knows each of us personally—our names, our feelings, and even the challenges we face. He loves us, protects us, and guides us every day. I am safe and cared for because Jesus is the Good Shepherd!



## Activity:

- Play a quick game of "Follow the Shepherd" in your living room or yard. One person is the shepherd, and the rest are sheep.
- The shepherd guides the sheep safely around obstacles while the sheep follow closely.
- Talk afterward about how Jesus guides and protects us every day, even when we don't see Him.



## Discuss:

- How are we like sheep, and how does Jesus help us when we get lost?
- What do you think it means that Jesus knows everything about us?
- Can you think of a time when you felt Jesus guiding or protecting you?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for guiding us, caring for us, and keeping us safe. Help us follow You each day.



# True Vine

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener."  
John 15:1



**Read:** Think about a bunch of grapes, or look up a picture of grapes.

Grapes are usually big, plump, and juicy. They grow in bunches on a vine, which provides the branches with the nutrients they need to produce fruit.

Jesus said that He is the True Vine, and we are the branches. That means we need to stay connected to Him to grow and be healthy. If a grape falls off the vine, it shrivels up and dries out—like a raisin! In the same way, if we get disconnected from Jesus, we stop growing spiritually. When we stay close to Him, He gives us the strength and love we need to produce the fruits of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, goodness, kindness, and self-control. I can grow and thrive because Jesus is the True Vine!



**Activity:**

- Go on a "Fruit of the Spirit" scavenger hunt around your home.
- Look for items that remind you of the fruits of the Spirit—something red for love, something soft for gentleness, something bright for joy, etc.
- As a family, talk about how staying connected to Jesus helps us grow these qualities, just like branches produce fruit when they stay on the vine.



**Discuss:**

- What do you think it means to stay connected to Jesus like a branch to a vine?
- How does Jesus help you grow in love, joy, or patience?
- What happens when we forget to stay close to Jesus, and how can we reconnect with Him?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for giving us life and helping us grow in love and goodness. Help us stay close to You.

# King of Kings

“He is Lord of lords and King of kings – and with him will be his called, chosen and faithful followers.”

Revelations 17:14



**Read:** Picture a king in your mind. What do you see? Maybe a huge palace, knights on horses, or treasures and crowns. When we think of a king, we usually think of someone very powerful and in charge.

Jesus was born a king—but not just any king. He is the King of all kings! That means He is more powerful than any person, ruler over everything in the world, and His kingdom will last forever. No one and nothing can compare to Him. We can trust and celebrate Jesus because He reigns with power, love, and justice. Jesus is truly the King of kings!



## Activity:

- Choose a favorite worship song or hymn that celebrates Jesus as King (for example, [“Crown Him with Many Crowns”](#) or [“Jesus is the King”](#)).



- Sing it together as a family, or play it and have a mini dance party in your living room.
- While singing, talk about what it means that Jesus is the King of kings and how His kingdom lasts forever.



## Discuss:

- What makes Jesus different from any other king?
- How does it make you feel to know Jesus rules over everything?
- What are some ways we can honor Jesus as our King every day?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for being the ruler of everything and loving us. Help us honor You in all we do.



# High Priest

"Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess."

Hebrews 4:14



**Read:** In the Old Testament, the high priest was a special man chosen to go before God on behalf of the people of Israel. Because of sin, the people couldn't come to God on their own. Each year, the high priest would offer a sacrifice to pay for the people's sins.

Jesus came as our High Priest, but He is greater than any other. He didn't just offer a sacrifice for one year—He gave His life once and for all to pay for all of our sins. Jesus died and rose again so we could experience forgiveness and be close to God. We don't need another sacrifice because His was perfect and complete. I have forgiveness because Jesus is the High Priest!



## Activity:

- As a family, take a few small pieces of paper and write down something you want to forgive someone for, or something you want to ask forgiveness for.
- Fold the papers and place them in a "forgiveness box" or envelope.
- Take a moment to thank Jesus for His sacrifice and forgiveness, and talk about how His love makes it possible to forgive others too.



## Discuss:

- Why do you think Jesus is greater than the high priests in the Bible?
- How does it make you feel to know your sins are forgiven through Jesus?
- What are some ways we can show forgiveness to others because Jesus forgave us?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for offering Yourself so we can be forgiven. Help us trust in Your perfect sacrifice.

# The Way

"I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."  
John 14:6



**Read:** Have you ever been unsure which way to go or what choice to make? Sometimes life can feel confusing, and we don't always know the right path. Jesus tells us that He is The Way. That means He shows us how to live in a way that pleases God and leads us toward what is good and true.

When we follow Jesus, He helps us make wise choices, guides us through tricky situations, and brings us back on track when we make mistakes. We can trust Him completely because He knows the best way for our lives. I can be confident and safe because Jesus is the Way!



## Activity:

- Create a simple path in your living room or yard using pillows, tape, or chairs.
- Take turns guiding each other along the path while one person's eyes are closed or partially covered.
- Talk afterward about how Jesus guides us and helps us find the right way in life.



## Discuss:

- What does it mean that Jesus is the Way?
- How does it make you feel to know Jesus can guide you in life?
- Can you think of a time when following Jesus helped you make a good choice or get back on track?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for showing us the path to God. Help us follow You every day.



# Messiah

"But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God."

Matthew 16:15-16



**Read:** A long time before Jesus was born, God promised to send someone very special to rescue the world. This person would be God's chosen one, sent to help people and bring them back to Him. That special person is called the Messiah, which means "the anointed one" or "God's chosen Savior."

When Jesus was on earth, people didn't always understand who He was. One day, He asked His disciples who they thought He was. Peter answered, "You are the Messiah!" Peter realized that Jesus was the one God had promised—the Savior who would bring hope and rescue to the world. Jesus is the Messiah! He is God's chosen one, sent to save us and show us God's love.



## Activity:

- Make a small banner or poster as a family with the words "Jesus is the Messiah" in the center.
- Around it, write or draw ways Jesus shows He is God's chosen Savior—like love, forgiveness, helping others, and bringing hope.
- Hang the banner somewhere in your home as a reminder of who Jesus is and God's promise fulfilled.



## Discuss:

- What does it mean that Jesus is God's chosen Savior?
- Why do you think people had trouble understanding who Jesus was?
- How does it make you feel to know that Jesus came to rescue the world?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for being the one God promised to send. Help us trust You as the Savior of the world.



# Healer

"But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed."

Isaiah 53:5



**Read:** Have you ever gotten a cut, a scrape, or felt really sick? When that happens, we need someone to help us get better—like a doctor, nurse, or parent. Our bodies can heal, but sometimes our hearts and spirits need healing too.

Jesus is called the Healer because He has the power to make us whole. He can heal our hearts when we feel sad, lonely, or afraid. He can forgive our sins and bring peace when we feel hurt inside. Jesus wants to restore, comfort, and help us grow stronger every day. I can feel hope and be made whole because Jesus is the Healer!



**Activity:** Make a "Healing Hearts Jar"

- Each family member writes or draws things they'd like Jesus to heal—these could be feelings (like sadness or fear), relationships, or prayers for others—on small slips of paper.
- Fold the papers and place them in a jar.
- Take turns reading the notes aloud (optional), and say a short prayer asking Jesus, the Healer, to bring comfort, hope, and restoration.
- Keep the jar somewhere visible as a reminder that Jesus cares for our hearts, bodies, and spirits. You can add new notes throughout Advent.



**Discuss:**

- What does it mean that Jesus is the Healer?
- How can Jesus help heal not just our bodies, but our hearts and spirits?
- Can you think of a time you or someone else experienced healing from Jesus?
- How can we share Jesus' healing love with our family, friends, or community?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for caring for our hearts, minds, and bodies. Help us trust You to heal and restore us.



# Light of the World

"When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life."

John 8:12



**Read:** What is the main difference between night and day? Day is light, and night is dark. Many things are harder to do in the dark. Walking around in complete darkness can feel scary, and we might not see anything around us.

Jesus is the Light of the World. He helps us see God and understand the truth. His light shows us the right way to live, and it guides us even when life feels confusing or scary. Best of all, Jesus is always with us, so we never have to walk alone in the darkness. I can walk in the light because Jesus is the Light of the World!



## Activity:

- Turn off the lights in one room and give each family member a small flashlight or use battery-operated candles.
- Take a slow "light walk" around the room, noticing how the light shows the way and helps you see.
- Talk about how Jesus' light helps guide us in life and keeps us safe, even when things feel dark or scary.



## Discuss:

- What does it mean that Jesus is the Light of the World?
- How does Jesus' light help us in our daily lives?
- Can you think of a time when following Jesus helped you see the right choice or made something clearer?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for shining Your light into our lives. Help us see the truth and follow You.

# Bread of Life

"Then Jesus declared, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'"

John 6:35



**Read:** Have you ever felt really hungry, maybe at lunchtime or after playing outside? When we are hungry, our bodies tell us we need food to give us energy. We eat a snack or a meal, and it makes us feel better—for a little while. But soon enough, our stomachs get hungry again.

Jesus tells us that He is the Bread of Life. That means we need Him to truly satisfy our hearts and spirits. No snack or meal can completely fill us, but when we go to Jesus, He feeds our souls. He gives us life that lasts forever and fills us with joy, peace, and love. I can be truly satisfied because Jesus is the Bread of Life!



## Activity:

- Gather a small snack or treat for each family member.
- As you eat, talk about how food satisfies your body for a little while, but only Jesus can satisfy your heart forever.
- Optional: Take a moment to thank Jesus for being the Bread of Life and for the ways He fills your heart with what truly matters.



## Discuss:

- What does it mean that Jesus is the Bread of Life?
- How is Jesus different from the things we usually eat to feel satisfied?
- What are some ways Jesus feeds your heart and spirit every day?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for filling our hearts with life that lasts forever. Help us seek You above all else.



# Cornerstone

"The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone."  
Psalm 118:22



**Read:** Have you ever built a tower out of blocks? What happens if you try to pull a block out of the foundation or base of the tower? The tower would probably crumble. That's because the cornerstone—the very first block in the foundation—is the most important one. It keeps the whole building strong and steady.

This is like Jesus in our lives. When we make Him the cornerstone of our life, He helps us stay strong, even when things are hard. He keeps us steady and protects us from falling apart. I can be strong because Jesus is the Cornerstone!



## Activity:

- As a family, build a small tower out of blocks or LEGO bricks.
- Talk about which block is the cornerstone and why it's so important.
- Discuss how making Jesus the cornerstone in your life helps you stay strong, just like the foundation block keeps the tower steady.



## Discuss:

- What does it mean that Jesus is the cornerstone of our lives?
- Why is it important to have a strong foundation in life?
- Can you think of ways Jesus helps you stay strong when life feels hard?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for being the strong foundation of our lives. Help us build our lives on You.

# Alpha and Omega

"I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End."

Revelation 22:13



**Read:** The Bible tells us that Jesus says, "I am the Alpha and the Omega."

Alpha is the first letter of the Greek alphabet, and Omega is the last. Just like the first and last letters of the alphabet, Jesus was there at the very beginning, before time even started, and He will be here forever, after time ends.

Jesus is eternal and unchanging. He is everything we will ever need—our guide, our comfort, and our hope. We can trust Him always because Jesus is the Alpha and the Omega!



**Activity:**

- As a family, write down each letter of the alphabet on separate pieces of paper or sticky notes.
- Next to each letter, write or draw one way Jesus is important or helpful in your life (for younger kids, you can do just a few letters instead of all 26).
- Hang your alphabet reminders somewhere you can see them to remember that Jesus is everything we need from A to Z.



**Discuss:**

- What does it mean that Jesus is the Alpha and the Omega?
- How does it feel to know that Jesus was there at the beginning and will be there forever?
- Why do you think Jesus wants us to know that He is everything we will ever need?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for being with us from the beginning to the end.

Help us trust You in every part of life.



# Son of God

“Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God.”

John 20:31



**Read:** Jesus is called the Son of God because He is God's only Son, sent to earth to show God's love and to save us. Unlike anyone else, Jesus is fully God and fully human at the same time. He came to live among us, teach us about God, and show us how to live in a way that pleases Him.

Being God's Son also means that Jesus has power over everything—He can heal, forgive, and guide us. Because He is the Son of God, we can trust Him completely, follow Him, and know that His love for us is perfect and never-ending. I can trust and follow Jesus because He is the Son of God!



## Activity:

- Take a short walk together as a family, either outside or around your home.
- As you walk, talk about ways you can follow Jesus' example in your daily life—showing love, helping others, praying, or obeying God.
- Encourage each family member to share one way they want to follow Jesus this week.
- Talk afterward about how following Jesus, the Son of God, helps us grow closer to God and share His love with others.



## Discuss:

- What does it mean that Jesus is the Son of God?
- How does knowing Jesus is God's Son make you feel safe or loved?
- What are some ways Jesus shows God's love to us every day?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for being God's Son and loving us. Help us grow closer to You every day.

# Teacher

“Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God.”

John 3:2



**Read:** Who is someone in your life who has taught you something? Maybe it's a parent, a coach, a Sunday school teacher, or a friend. Teachers help us learn, guide us, and show us the right way to do things. They share knowledge, help us understand new ideas, and encourage us when we make mistakes.

Jesus is our Teacher, too! He teaches us through His words in the Bible, which show us how to live, love, and make wise choices. He also guides us through the Holy Spirit, helping us know what is right and helping us when we are unsure. Unlike human teachers, Jesus is all-knowing and full of wisdom. He understands everything about us—our hearts, our struggles, and our questions. That means we can trust Him completely to guide us and teach us the way God wants us to live. I can learn, grow, and make good choices because Jesus is my Teacher!



## Activity:

- As a family, choose one act of kindness you can do together today to follow Jesus' teaching—like helping a neighbor, writing a note to someone who needs encouragement, or donating items to someone in need.
- Afterward, talk about how Jesus' lessons guide us to love and care for others.
- Optional: Keep a “kindness journal” to record the ways your family followed Jesus' teaching during the week.



## Discuss:

- What does it mean that Jesus is our Teacher?
- How is Jesus' teaching different from what human teachers teach us?
- Can you think of a way Jesus has taught you something important recently?
- How can we use what Jesus teaches to help others?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for guiding us and teaching us Your ways. Help us listen and learn from You.



# Lord

"If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved."

Romans 10:9



**Read:** The name Lord means ruler, or someone who has power and authority. Jesus is called Lord because He is in charge of everything in the universe. He created the world, cares for it, and guides everything according to His perfect plan.

But Jesus isn't only a ruler of the world—He wants to be Lord of our lives too. That means we can trust Him to lead us, comfort us, and give us hope. Jesus knows what is best for us, and He loves us more than we can imagine. We can rely on Him for strength, peace, and guidance every day. I can trust Jesus because He is Lord!



## Activity:

- Each family member traces their hand on a piece of paper.
- Inside the hand, write or draw ways Jesus shows He is Lord in your life—like giving guidance, comfort, protection, or joy.
- Share your "hands of trust" with each other and display them somewhere in your home as a reminder that Jesus is Lord over your lives and always cares for you.



## Discuss:

- What does it mean that Jesus is Lord of our lives?
- How does it make you feel to know Jesus has power over everything?
- In what ways can we see Jesus' care and guidance in our daily life?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for being the Lord of our lives. Help us trust Your love and guidance each day.

# Friend

"I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you."

John 15:15



**Read:** Do you have someone that you would call your best friend? What makes that person your friend? Maybe you enjoy the same things, they make you laugh, or they're always there when you need them. A true friend is kind, loyal, and cares about you no matter what.

Jesus wants to be your best friend, too! He is the perfect friend because He knows everything about you—your favorite things, your worries, and even the thoughts you don't say out loud. Jesus is never too busy to listen, and He promises that He will never leave you. His friendship isn't just for a moment—it lasts forever! When we spend time with Him through prayer and reading His Word, we grow in our friendship with Him.

I will never be alone because Jesus is my Friend!



## Activity:

- As a family, think of a friend or someone you know who could use a kind gesture or some encouragement.
- Together, do something for them: write a note, draw a picture, make a small gift, help them with a chore, or simply spend time with them.
- Afterward, talk about how your actions show love and care—just like Jesus shows His love for us as our friend.



## Discuss:

- How is Jesus like a best friend to you?
- How can we show the love and friendship of Jesus to the people around us?
- What does it feel like when someone is kind to you or spends time with you?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for being our friend who always loves and listens. Help us share Your love with others.



# Servant

“Instead, he made himself nothing. He did this by taking on the nature of a servant. He was made just like human beings.”

Philippians 2:7



**Read:** Have you ever helped someone without expecting anything in return? Maybe you helped a sibling clean up, carried something for a parent, or shared a toy with a friend. That is what it means to be a servant—doing kind things for others with a loving heart.

Jesus is the greatest Servant of all. Even though He is God, He came to earth to serve others. He helped people, healed them, and even gave His life on the cross so that we could be saved. Jesus shows us that serving others isn't about being the most important—it's about loving people and putting their needs before our own. When we follow Jesus' example, we can serve others with joy and love. I can show love and care because Jesus is the Servant!



## Activity:

- As a family, choose one person or group you can serve this week—like a neighbor, a friend, or someone in your community.
- Do something kind together: help with chores, bake cookies, write an encouraging note, or clean up a shared space.
- Talk afterward about how serving others makes both the giver and the receiver feel loved, and how it's a way to follow Jesus' example.



## Discuss:

- What does it mean that Jesus is our Servant?
- How does serving others show the love of Jesus?
- Can you think of a time you helped someone and it made a difference? How did it feel?
- What is one small thing we could do this week to serve someone else like Jesus did?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for showing us how to serve others with love. Help us follow Your example in our daily lives.



# Mighty God

“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”

Isaiah 9:6



**Read:** What is the strongest animal you can think of? Maybe a lion, elephant, or hippo. They are big, powerful, and impressive—but even the strongest animals in the world are not as strong as God.

The prophet Isaiah calls Jesus the Mighty God. Mighty means having great strength. Jesus has power over everything—over nature, over sickness, over sin, and even over death! When we feel weak, tired, or afraid, we can trust that Jesus will give us strength. We don't have to be strong on our own because Jesus, the Mighty God, is always with us. I can be strong because Jesus is the Mighty God!



## Activity:

- As a family, practice standing like superheroes or strong animals—hands on hips, chest out, feet planted firmly.
- While holding your “power pose,” say aloud: “I can be strong because Jesus is the Mighty God!”
- Talk together about times you've felt weak, worried, or afraid, and how trusting Jesus can give you strength.



## Discuss:

- What does it mean that Jesus is the Mighty God?
- How can we rely on Jesus' strength when we feel weak or scared?
- Can you think of a time when Jesus helped you or someone else be strong in a difficult situation?
- Why is it comforting to know that Jesus has all power and strength?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for giving us strength and hope. Help us rely on Your power when we feel weak.



# Prince of Peace

“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”

Isaiah 9:6




**Read:** Have you ever felt worried, upset, or frustrated? Sometimes life can feel noisy, busy, or even scary. Peace is the feeling of calm and safety we experience when everything around us is quiet and still—or when we know we are safe and cared for.

Jesus is called the Prince of Peace. This means He brings true peace—not just the quiet around us, but calm in our hearts. Jesus came to the world to help us live in harmony with God and with others. He forgives our mistakes, comforts us when we are sad, and helps us share love and kindness. When we trust Jesus, we can feel peace even in hard times. I can be calm and hopeful because Jesus is the Prince of Peace!



## Activity:

- Put on a calm, gentle song (or a worship song about Jesus' peace, like [“Peace Like a River”](#)). 
- As a family, move around slowly to the music—stretching, swaying, or gently dancing—imagining that Jesus is filling your heart with peace.
- Take turns pausing and standing still, closing your eyes, and taking slow breaths while thinking about a time Jesus brought peace to your life.
- Afterward, talk about how moving, breathing, and listening to music helped you notice the calm and peace Jesus gives.



## Discuss:

- What does it mean that Jesus is the Prince of Peace?
- How can we feel peace in our hearts even when things around us are hard?
- How can we help bring peace to others like Jesus does?
- Can you think of a time when Jesus helped you feel calm or safe?



**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for bringing peace to our hearts. Help us share Your calm and love with others.

# Christmas Day Devotion: The Greatest Gift

"Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!"

2 Corinthians 9:15



**Read:** After 25 days of learning about the many names of Jesus, we finally arrive at the most special day of all — the day we celebrate His birth! Each name we've studied—like Savior, Light of the World, Prince of Peace, and Good Shepherd—shows us something amazing about who Jesus is.

Jesus came to earth as a tiny baby, but He was also our Mighty God, our Redeemer, and our Friend. Through His life, death, and resurrection, Jesus became the greatest gift the world has ever known. Because of Him, we can know God personally, have our sins forgiven, and live with hope every single day.

Today, as you celebrate Christmas, take a moment to thank God for His incredible love. The best gift you can give back to Him is your heart.



**Activity:** Gather your paper chain or any decorations you've made during Advent. Sit together and read through each name of Jesus one last time. Talk about which name means the most to each person and why.



**Pray:** Thank You, God, for giving us the gift of Jesus. Help us to remember that Christmas is all about Him. We love You and thank You for sending Your Son to save us. Amen.



# Our Advent Reflections

After finishing all 25 devotions, take a few minutes as a family to reflect on what you've learned and experienced together this season.

You can talk through these questions or write your answers below:

- Which name of Jesus stood out to you the most? Why?
- What did you learn about who Jesus is?
- How did your family grow closer to God this Advent?
- What was your favorite activity or memory from this devotion time?
- How can we keep Jesus at the center of our lives even after Christmas?
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Optional Keepsake Idea:

Each family member can write a short note or prayer on this page (or on slips of paper to tuck into your Bible) thanking Jesus for what He's taught them this Advent.