



Christmas Advent

— WITH B4KIDS —

Merry Christmas

FROM THE B4KIDS TEAM

The word “advent” means “the arrival of a notable person, thing, or event.” As we celebrate Advent together, we turn our hearts toward Jesus and celebrate His arrival on earth over 2,000 years ago.

Christmas can be a season that pulls our schedules and wallets in many different directions. Our hearts and minds can easily be distracted by all of the Christmas events and activities.

This resource was created to be a tool for your family to help you focus on Jesus and generosity throughout the Christmas season. It includes 25 daily readings. Each week of readings will open with a specific giving opportunity centered around the theme of that week **(the last day to bring in donations for all giving projects is December 22nd)**. You will also find age appropriate ways to help your kids save money to put toward their giving goals as a way to help them orient their minds toward others.

May you experience the hope, peace, joy and love that only Jesus can offer this December.

Hope

SHARE:

Share highs and lows from the day.

READ:

Enjoy reading the following verses each day!

DEC 1: Isaiah 7:14

DEC 2: Psalm 33:20-22

DEC 3: Isaiah 9:1-2

DEC 4: Mark 1:1-3

DEC 5: John 8:12

DEC 6: Romans 8:24-25 + 5:5

DEC 7: Hebrews 11:1

TALK:

Discuss what you read. What stood out? What did you learn?
How did God speak to you?

PRAY:

Thank God for the highs and ask for wisdom in the lows.

BLESS:

May you know the God of hope. May you trust that He works all things together for good and will be with you all the days of your life.

Giving Project

4TH + 5TH GRADE



Education can change the life of a child living on the street. Sharmi escaped a difficult situation when she was 10 and was adopted into a family. This changed her life by giving her the hope of Jesus and the opportunity for an education. Today, Sharmi is 28 years old and has a Master's degree in Education. Because of the impact of love and education had in her life, she wants to pass that on to others. She is now the principal of Nirmal School, which provides education to street kids.

You can help change the life of a child by supporting their education at Nirmal School in Kathmandu, Nepal. It costs \$40 per month to send a child to school in Nepal. Together, our goal is to send two children to school for a year.

*if everyone brought \$10,
we could meet our goal*

WAYS TO SAVE MONEY:

- Are you good at something? (soccer, music, art, etc.) Could you give someone else lessons?
- Create and sell your own DIY crafts (e.g. greeting cards, jewelry, watercolor, etc.).
- Skip 1 or 2 hot chocolates.
- Do you get an allowance? Do you have a way to earn money? Consider giving your allowance or earned money.
- Consider giving up 1 Christmas gift and have the money for that gift go to a child's education.

Peace

SHARE:

Share highs and lows from the day.

READ:

Enjoy reading the following verses each day!

DEC 8: Romans 5:13

DEC 9: Matthew 11:28-30

DEC 10: Isaiah 9:6

DEC 11: Isaiah 52:7

DEC 12: John 14:27

DEC 13: Colossians 3:15

DEC 14: Philippians 4:6-7

TALK:

Discuss what you read. What stood out? What did you learn? How did God speak to you?

PRAY:

Thank God for the highs and ask for wisdom in the lows.

BLESS:

May you be filled with the peace of God that surpasses all understanding as you rest in His presence. May you know Jesus is Immanuel, "God With Us".

Giving Project

2ND + 3RD GRADE



Jesus came bringing Living Water, which gives peace to all. Titus Luther lives in the Solomon Islands. He is bringing Jesus and clean water to people who have only known war. Clean water can transform the health of a community. We have partnered with Titus Luther in the Solomon Islands. We help to provide water filters to meet the physical needs of a community in the midst of unrest. Titus Luther has built a place of peace that unites people who were once at war with one another.

You can help provide clean water for people learning to live at peace with one another in the Solomon Islands by purchasing water filters that can serve 40 people each. Each water filter costs \$50. Together our goal is to purchase 5 water filters to service 200 people.

*if everyone brought \$5,
we could meet our goal*

WAYS TO SAVE MONEY:

- Choose to drink only water for a day. Give the money that would have been spent on juice, hot chocolate, milk, etc.
- Are there extra chores around the house or a family member's house that you could do?
- Collect cans and bottles.
- Choose to pack a lunch instead of eating a meal out or paying for school lunch.
- Instead of buying a gift for someone, consider making them a gift instead (or giving a skill). Give the money that would have been spent on that gift.

Joy

SHARE:

Share highs and lows from the day.

READ:

Enjoy reading the following verses each day!

DEC 15: Luke 2:8-14

DEC 16: Galatians 5:22-23

DEC 17: Psalm 16:11

DEC 18: Psalm 5:11-12

DEC 19: Isaiah 29:19

DEC 20: Romans 14:17

DEC 21: Philippians 4:4-5

TALK:

Discuss what you read. What stood out? What did you learn?
How did God speak to you?

PRAY:

Thank God for the highs and ask for wisdom in the lows.

BLESS:

May you rejoice in the goodness of God every day and find joy in the wonderful things He has done.

Giving Project

KINDER + 1ST GRADE



In Guatemala, we partner with Medical Missions Ministry. This ministry has allowed us to meet many amazing people who love the Lord and serve Him with great joy. One of those people is Pastor Lester. He serves 115 children breakfast every day before school. Joy fills his house each morning as a team prepares the meal and the children enjoy breakfast together.

Together, we can help spread the joy of the Lord in Guatemala. We can help feed a community of children breakfast before school. It costs \$10 per month to feed one child breakfast. Together our goal is to purchase breakfast for 5 children for a year.

*if everyone brought \$5,
we could meet our goal*

WAYS TO SAVE MONEY:

- Designate a “no spend day” and keep track of the money you would have spent that day to give.
- Do you get an allowance? Consider giving your allowance or doing extra chores around the house.
- Pack a meal instead of eating out or paying for a school lunch. (Bonus: see if your family wants to join you!)
- Think about your skills (baking, card or jewelry making, etc.). Could you do a bake sale, card sale or sell your homemade crafts/jewelry?
- Collect cans and bottles.

Love

SHARE:

Share highs and lows from the day.

READ:

Enjoy reading the following verses each day!

DEC 22: 1 John 4:9

DEC 23: John 3:16

DEC 24: Isaiah 16:5

DEC 25: Luke 2:1-7

TALK:

Discuss what you read. What stood out? What did you learn?
How did God speak to you?

PRAY:

Thank God for the highs and ask for wisdom in the lows.

BLESS:

May you know you are loved no matter what and that
God's love for you will never fail.

Giving Project

4S + PRE KINDER



All babies need love. They also need food, diapers, wipes and clothes. Road to Hope provides care and support for new mothers who do not have a family to help them. Beaverton Foursquare partners with this ministry by providing love, encouragement and supplies for new babies.

You can help support a new mom and her baby by donating diapers and wipes. Together, we want to give 100 packages of diapers and 100 packages of baby wipes.

*if everyone brought one package of diapers
& baby wipes, we could meet our goal*

WAYS TO SAVE MONEY:

- Can you do some extra chores around the house? Raking leaves, cleaning out the car, helping put groceries away, setting the table are all great ideas.
- Skip the holiday hot chocolate.
- Consider giving up one Christmas gift and asking for diapers and/or wipes instead.
- Have a stay at home movie night instead of going out to the movies. Give what you would have spent.

