# **CLP Kids Family Advent Devotions**

Here's a weekly devotion guide for your family to do at home during Advent. Each week, you'll explore a theme, reflect together, add a candle to your Advent wreath, and find ways to live out God's mission.



## Week 1: Hope

**Scripture:** Isaiah 9:2 – "The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned."

#### Reflection Questions:

- What does it mean to have hope in hard times?
- How does Jesus bring hope to our lives and to the world?

**Advent Wreath:** Add the first purple candle to represent *hope*.

**Engage in God's Mission:** Write a note of encouragement or make a card for someone who might need hope this season, like a neighbor, teacher, or someone in your church.

## **Closing Prayer:**

Heavenly Father, thank You for the hope You give us through Jesus. Help us to trust in Your promises and share the light of hope with others. Amen.

#### Week 2: Peace

**Scripture:** Luke 2:14 – "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

#### **Reflection Questions:**

- How does Jesus bring peace to the world?
- How can we share God's peace with others this week?

**Advent Wreath:** Add the second purple candle to represent *peace*.

**Engage in God's Mission:** Reach out to someone you've had a disagreement with and work to make peace. Or do something kind for someone in need of a little peace.

## **Closing Prayer:**

Dear God, thank You for sending Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Help us to be peacemakers in our family, our community, and our world. Amen.

### Week 3: Joy

**Scripture:** Luke 2:10 – "But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people.'"

### **Reflection Questions:**

- What brings you true joy?
- How can we share the joy of Jesus with others?

**Advent Wreath:** Add the pink candle to represent joy.

**Engage in God's Mission:** Spread joy by baking cookies or doing something special for someone in your community who could use a reason to smile.

## **Closing Prayer:**

Lord, thank You for the joy we have in Jesus. Help us to remember that true joy comes from You and to share that joy with everyone we meet. Amen.

#### Week 4: Love

**Scripture:** John 3:16 – "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

#### Reflection Questions:

- What does God's love mean to you?
- How can we show love to others like Jesus did?

Advent Wreath: Add the fourth purple candle to represent love.

**Engage in God's Mission:** Do an act of love as a family—volunteer, donate, or help someone in need during this Christmas season.

## **Closing Prayer:**

Gracious God, thank You for showing us the greatest love through Jesus. Teach us to love like You, with kindness, patience, and grace. Amen.

#### **Christmas Eve: Christ**

**Scripture:** John 1:9 – "The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world."

### **Reflection Questions:**

- How does Jesus light up your life?
- What gift can we give to Jesus this Christmas?

**Advent Wreath:** Add the white Christ candle in the center to represent Jesus.

**Engage in God's Mission:** Invite someone to church for Christmas Eve services or share the story of Jesus' birth with a friend.

## **Closing Prayer:**

Jesus, You are the light of the world. Thank You for coming to us, for loving us, and for saving us. Help us to shine Your light and love everywhere we go. Amen.