

ADVENT BIBLE READING PLAN

DECEMBER 1 Long: Genesis 1 Short: Gen.1:1–5, 26–31 Creation begins with God speaking light into darkness. Christ, the eternal Word, enters the world as the true Light, bringing new life and restoration. Song: This Is My Father's World	DECEMBER 2 Long: Genesis 2 Short: Gen. 2:4–9, 15–25 God places humanity in a garden of life and fellowship. Jesus restores what was lost in the fall, bringing communion with God and true life. Song: O Come, All Ye Faithful	DECEMBER 3 Long: Genesis 3 Short: Gen. 3:1–15 Humanity's rebellion introduces sin and death, but God promises a serpent-crushing offspring. Jesus fulfills this promise, defeating sin and restoring hope. Song: Hark! The Herald Angels Sing	DECEMBER 4 Long: Genesis 4 Short: Genesis 4:1–10 Cain and Abel reveal the spread of sin and the cry of innocent blood. Christ's sacrifice speaks mercy, not vengeance, establishing a new humanity marked by grace. Song: Silent Night	DECEMBER 5 Long: Gen. 8:20–9:17 Short: Gen. 9:8–17 God makes a covenant of mercy with Noah, promising to preserve the world despite human sin. The rainbow reminds us of His faithfulness, pointing forward to Christ, who brings lasting peace to creation. Song: Joy to the World
DECEMBER 6 Long: Gen. 12:1–9 Short: Gen. 12:1–3 God promises Abraham that through his offspring all nations will be blessed. Jesus is the promised descendant, bringing salvation to the world. Song: O Holy Night	DECEMBER 7 Long: Genesis 22 Short: Gen. 22:7–14 Abraham's willingness to offer Isaac foreshadows the Father who does not withhold His only Son. Christ is the true substitute Lamb who brings salvation. Song: Little Drummer Boy	DECEMBER 8 Long: Gen. 49:8–12; Num. 24:15–19 Short: Gen. 49:8–12 A ruler from Judah will crush God's enemies. Jesus is this promised King—the Lion of Judah and the star of salvation. Song: It Came Upon the Midnight Clear	DECEMBER 9 Long: Exodus 3 Short: Ex. 3:1–6 God reveals His covenant name to Moses and promises deliverance. Jesus, the great "I AM," leads His people from slavery to freedom. Song: What Child Is This	DECEMBER 10 Long: Ex. 19–20 Short: Ex.19:3–6; God gives Israel His covenant and law. Jesus fulfills the law perfectly and forms a new covenant people through His obedience. Song: Away in a Manger
DECEMBER 11 Long: Ex.12:1–28 Short: Ex. 12:21–27 The Passover lamb's blood protects God's people from judgment. Christ, the true Passover Lamb, secures redemption for all who trust Him. Song: Pass me not of Gentle Savior	DECEMBER 12 Long: Psalm 23–24 Short: Psalm 23:1–6 The Lord is our Shepherd, guiding, protecting, and restoring His people. Jesus fulfills this as the Good Shepherd and the King of glory. Song: Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus	DECEMBER 13 Long: Deut. 18:15–19; Short: Deuteronomy 18:15 God promises a Prophet like Moses who will speak His words faithfully. Jesus is this ultimate Prophet, leading His people into the fullness of God's promises. Song: How Firm a Foundation	DECEMBER 14 Long: Psalm 72; Josh. 1:1–9 Short: Psalm 72 A righteous King would bring justice and blessing. Jesus fulfills this as the true King whose kingdom extends to all nations. Song: How Great Thou Art	DECEMBER 15 Long: 2 Samuel 7:8–16; Ps. 2 Short: 2 Samuel 7:12–14 God promises David an everlasting throne and calls His king "My Son." Jesus is the greater Son of David, the anointed King reigning over all nations. Song: The First Noel

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DECEMBER 16 Long: Isaiah 7:10–14; Is. 9:1–7 Short: Isaiah 9:2, 6–7 Isaiah foretells a virgin-born Son and a divine King of endless peace. Jesus fulfills both promises as Immanuel, God with us, the light shining in darkness. Song: O Come O Come Immanuel	DECEMBER 17 Long: Isaiah 11:1–10 Short: Isaiah 11:1–5 A Spirit-filled shoot from Jesse restores justice and creation. Jesus establishes this promised kingdom of righteousness, peace, and hope. Song: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee.	DECEMBER 18 Long: Isaiah 40:1–11 Short: Isaiah 40:3–5 God promises comfort and a forerunner to prepare the way. John the Baptist announces the arrival of Jesus, the Shepherd who gathers His people. Song: Go Tell It on the Mountain	DECEMBER 19 Long: Isaiah 53 Short: Isaiah 53:4–6 The suffering servant bears the sins of many. Jesus fulfills this prophecy on the cross, taking the punishment, we deserve. Song: God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen
DECEMBER 20 Long: Isaiah 61:1–11 Short: Isaiah 61:1–3 The anointed Servant brings good news, healing, and freedom. Jesus applies this prophecy to Himself, revealing His mission to restore the broken. Song: Amazing Grace	DECEMBER 21 Long: Jerem. 31:31–34; Ezek. 36:22–32 Short: Jeremiah 31:31–34 God promises a new covenant of forgiveness and renewed hearts. Jesus inaugurates this covenant through His blood and Spirit. Song: Holy Holy Holy	DECEMBER 22 Long: Ezekiel 34 Short: Ezekiel 34:11–16 God promises to shepherd His scattered flock. Jesus is the Good Shepherd who seeks, restores, and protects His people. Song: Hallelujah Chorus - Handel	DECEMBER 23 Long: Mal. 3:1–4; Micah 5:2–5 Short: Micah 5:2 God promises a messenger and a ruler from Bethlehem. John the Baptist prepares the way, and Jesus fulfills the promise as the Shepherd-King. Song: O Little Town of Bethlehem
DECEMBER 24 Long: Luke 1:26–38 Short: Luke 1:30–33 The angel announces to Mary that she will bear God's Son, the promised heir to David's throne. Jesus' coming reveals God's faithfulness to His promises. Song: Mary did you Know?	DECEMBER 25 Long: Luke 2:1–20 Short: Luke 2:8–14 Jesus is born in humility yet proclaimed Savior and Lord. The long-awaited hope arrives, bringing peace and joy to all nations. Song: Angels We Have Heard on High	DECEMBER 26 Long: Matthew 5 Short: Matthew 5:1–12 Jesus teaches the way of the kingdom, revealing blessings for the humble, merciful, and pure in heart. He fulfills the law and calls us to live in His kingdom. Song: O Come All You Unfaithful	DECEMBER 27 Long: Mark 4:35–5:20 Short: Mark 4:39–41 Jesus calms the storm and frees people from demonic powers. His authority brings peace, restoration, and hope to a broken world. Song: Crown Him with Many Crowns
DECEMBER 28 Long: John 13 Short: John 13:3–17 Jesus washes His disciples' feet, showing humility and love. His servant-heart prepares His followers for life in His kingdom. Song: The Love of God is Greater Far	DECEMBER 29 Long: John 19 Short: John 19:16–30 On the cross, Jesus bears our sin and completes the Father's work. His death secures forgiveness and opens the way to God. Song: Alas and Did my Savior Bleed	DECEMBER 30 Long: John 20 Short: John 20:11–18 Jesus rises, signaling the dawn of new creation. In Him, God's restoration begins, offering life and hope to all who believe. Song: Because He Lives	DECEMBER 31 Long: Matt. 28:16–20; Acts 1:1–11 Short: Matthew 28:18–20 Jesus' reign continues as He sends His Spirit-filled people into the world with a message of hope and forgiveness. Song: All Glory Be To Christ