# Advent | The Signs of the Savior | LOVE | Matthew 2:1-12

Advent means "coming" and is a season to remember and celebrate the coming of Jesus Christ. The Discussion Guide may be used personally, with family, with a small group, or with a group of friends as you increase your focus on Jesus during this Christmas season.

discussion guide

## Week Four: Love

### Read Luke 2:6-7.

When you picture a barn, what do you see? How does it smell?

Why do you think God chose for Jesus to be born in such a humble place?

How have you seen love so far in the Christmas story?

#### Read Isaiah 55:1-5.

How does God's question in verse 2 strike you? Where have you sought happiness in things that failed to satisfy?

What does it mean to delight ourselves and be filled on the richness of God?

How are the prophecies of verse 5 fulfilled in Christ's first coming and in His second?

#### Pray.

God, we praise You for Your Son. Thank You for the miracle of Jesus' birth. Thank You that the eternal Son of God was born as a baby on the earth. We get to experience love because You first loved us. We love You. Amen.

#### Memorize.

This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. – 1 John 4:10 NIV

## **Christmas Eve Celebrations**

This year for our Christmas Eve celebrations, we will be doing things a little bit differently. In lieu of in-person services, our staff has been working to provide special worship experiences online for you and your family to enjoy in your homes as you anticipate the celebration of Christ's birth on Christmas Day. Beginning December 24, visit fellowshipnwa.org/christmas to find the Family Service—a fun, uplifting celebration for "kids" of all ages—as well as a more Traditional Service designed to help you reflect on the wonder of the incarnation. We'll still be lighting candles and cracking glow sticks. In preparation for our time together, if you need candles or glow sticks, pick some up after a service on your way out the door or stop by the Fellowship Bentonville land to pick some up. We pray these celebrations will help you experience the hope, peace, joy, and love of Emmanuel, "God with us!"

# **SERVE: NWA**

### Samaritan Community Center

Samaritan Community Center needs help in the stores, market, kitchen, garden, and with Snack Packs. To learn more and view the SignUpGenius page, click here. There are tabs for each area at the top of the sign up.

# Connect DAILY: Advent Devos

\*To read the Advent Devotionals each day, visit: fellowshipnwa.org/adventdevos.

Sunday	A Powerful Everlasting Love*	Luke 2:6-7
Monday	Breaking News*	Luke 2:8-14
Tuesday	Come See, Go Tell*	Luke 2:15-18
Wednesday	See and Treasure*	Luke 2:19
Thursday	Glimpsing the Messiah*	Luke 2:20
Friday	O Come, Let Us Adore Him* L	uke 2:25-40

## QUESTIONS? connect with community

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