

**Advent** | The Birth of the Savior | JOY | [Luke 2:1-20](#)

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*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.*

**Week Three: Joy**Read [Luke 1:21-25](#).

How does God define joy? How does that differ from the world’s definition of joy?

How do you think Elizabeth experienced joy after she became pregnant?

Read [Isaiah 52:7-10](#).

When have you sensed real joy and peace in sharing Christ with others?

How could you share more about the good tidings (v. 7) of the Gospel message this week?

**Pray.**

God, You are the author of life. You can make new life in the most unlikely of circumstances. You can give an elderly woman a child, and You bring new life into parts of us that we thought were long gone. God, speak something new into our lives. We want to experience You in a new way. Amen.

**Memorize.**

*But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord.” – [Luke 2:10-11 NIV](#)*

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**Connect DAILY: Advent Devos**

*\*To read the Advent Devotionals each day, visit:*  
[fellowshipnwa.org/adventdevos](http://fellowshipnwa.org/adventdevos).

<b>Sunday</b>	<i>Too Good To Be True*</i>	<a href="#">Luke 1:21-25</a>
<b>Monday</b>	<i>From Presence to Peace*</i>	<a href="#">Luke 1:26-38</a>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<i>Leap of Faith*</i>	<a href="#">Luke 1:39-45</a>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<i>The First Christmas Song*</i>	<a href="#">Luke 1:46-56</a>
<b>Thursday</b>	<i>A Glorious Obedience*</i>	<a href="#">Luke 1:57-66</a>
<b>Friday</b>	<i>Zachariah’s Song*</i>	<a href="#">Luke 1:67-80</a>
<b>Saturday</b>	<i>The Hidden Hand of God*</i>	<a href="#">Luke 2:1-5</a>

**QUESTIONS?****connect with community**

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