

ADVENT

WEEK 1

HOPE



Family Activities for ADVENT Week 1

- Read **Isaiah 9:6-7** and discuss why Jesus is the *Promised Savior*.
- Shop for a Christmas gift to give to a child/family in need (Care Center Christmas)
- Contact a local Nursing Home and plan to make cookies to deliver to their residents.
- Write a letter /make Christmas cards for a family friend or local police/fire department.
- Invite a friend, neighbor, classmate, and/or relative to the Christmas Eve service at Highpoint Church.
- Bring a bouquet of flowers for your child's teacher to show appreciation.
- Serve a meal together as a family at a local homeless shelter.
- Prepare a meal for a neighbor/friend who is sick or alone.
- Read the Christmas story in the Bible, then make/decorate a birthday cake for Jesus.
- Write a letter to Jesus thanking Him for the many blessings you have experienced this year as a family.

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WEEK 2

PEACE



Family Activities for ADVENT Week 2

- Read **Luke 2:1-21** and discuss the meaning of *Jesus is the Giver of PEACE*.
- As a family, light the second **Advent** candle, **PEACE**. You would also light the candle from the previous week, **HOPE**. Have someone say, *"This is the second week of Advent. We light the candle of hope from last week. Today, we light the candle of peace."* Have someone light the candle of **HOPE** and then the candle of **PEACE**.
- Ask this question: *"In what ways can we show the PEACE of JESUS to others?"* Allow each family member to answer the question, and then have a conversation about what **PEACE** really means to them. After the sharing time, say, *"Let's find ways to show the PEACE of Jesus to everyone we meet this week."*
- Listen to (or even sing!) to the **HPK Advent** Playlist on *SPOTIFY* by scanning the **QR CODE** at the bottom of the page.
- Pay for the order of the person behind you in the drive-thru. Leave a Christmas card that you have filled out with a message and Bible verse about **PEACE** for the cashier to hand to the person you paid for.
- Make a Christmas ornament with the word **PEACE** and **Luke 2:14**.
- Incorporate **Luke 2:1-21** into a prayer and ask God to grow **PEACE** in your heart, or write out a prayer of **PEACE** in a journal.



HPK Advent Spotify Playlist

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WEEK 3

JOY



Family Activities for ADVENT Week 2

- Read **Matthew 2:1-12** and discuss why *Jesus is the JOY of our salvation.*
- As a family, light the 3rd Advent candle, **JOY**. You would also light the candle from the previous weeks, **PEACE** and **HOPE**. Have someone say, *"This is the third week of Advent. We light the candle of HOPE and PEACE from prior weeks. Today, we light the candle of JOY"* Have someone light the candles of **HOPE** and **PEACE**, then the candle of **JOY**.
- Think and discuss as a family things that bring **JOY**? Allow each family member to respond, then talk about the difference between happiness and **JOY**.
- After sharing, ask and discuss *"Is it possible to have JOY when things are difficult? How can we find JOY during these times?"*
- Listen to (or even sing!) to the **HPK Advent** Playlist on *SPOTIFY* by scanning the **QR CODE** at the bottom of the page.
- Talk to someone at school who is by themselves, and include them in your group.
- Walk a neighbor's dog and bring up a neighbor's trash bins.
- Smile to at least 5 people who you don't know.
- Incorporate **Matthew 2:1-12** into a prayer, and ask God to help **JOY** grow in your heart.



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