

# An Advent Prayer

Lord, we come before You to wait  
Lord, we come before You in anticipation

In this season we remember how the Life & Joy of  
Heaven broke through into our world  
Today Lord, would You break through into our lives, our  
thoughts and our emotions

We are here to listen Lord

May we hear Your heart speaking to our hearts  
May we receive a fresh revelation of Your love for us

May we be still and rest in You  
May we hear Your voice  
May we be empowered by You  
May we go out and serve You afresh

Amen



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# What is Advent?

The word 'Advent' means "Coming". The purpose of Advent is to anticipate the coming of Jesus to Earth; it is a season that focuses on **waiting**.

**"I watch in hope for the Lord, I wait for God my Saviour; my God will hear me" Micah 7:7**

God broke into our time and space and entered our world when Jesus was born. During this Advent, we anticipate that God will break through with something new for us, in this place, at this time.

Through prayer, we can **enter** into God's Presence and ask Him to prepare our hearts in the same the way He prepared the world to receive the Gift of His Son.

## **How might we make space for this?**

Could we commit to waiting on God for half an hour twice a week during Advent, to listen to his voice?

- Might God be asking us to '**let Him into**' some dusty old rooms in our emotions/memories/thoughts and allow Him to sweep out the cobwebs and let in fresh light?
- Might God have been longing for the opportunity to reveal to us how much **He deeply loves us?**
- Might God be wanting to **talk** with us about new seasons and a fresh purpose for the coming year(s)?