

# A Verse-a-Day Advent Calendar



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God sent the angel to a girl named Mary.  
[Luke 1:26](#)

The angel said to her, "Don't be afraid, because God is very pleased with you." [Luke 1:30](#)

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"You will become pregnant and have a baby boy. You will name him Jesus." [Luke 1:31](#)

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"People will call him the Son of the Most High."  
[Luke 1:32](#)

Mary said, "I am the Lord's servant. Let this thing you have said happen to me."  
[Luke 1:38](#)

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Caesar sent out an order... that everyone's name must be put on a list.  
[Luke 2:1](#)

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Everyone travelled to their home-towns to have their names put on the list."  
[Luke 2:3](#)

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Joseph went to the town of David because he was from the family of David. He and Mary registered.  
[Luke 2:4-5](#)

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While in Bethlehem, it came time for Mary to deliver. She gave birth to her first son.  
[Luke 2:6-7](#)

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There were no rooms in the inn. She wrapped the baby with cloths and laid him in a manger. [Luke 2:7](#)

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That night, shepherds were in the fields nearby watching their sheep.  
[Luke 2:8](#)

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An angel of the Lord stood before them. The glory of the Lord was shining around them. [Luke 2:9](#)

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The angel said, "Don't be afraid. I bring you good news!" [Luke 2:10](#)

"Today, your Savior was born in David's town. He is Christ the Lord." [Luke 2:11](#)

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"This is how you will know him: you will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."  
[Luke 2:12](#)

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All the angels praised God, saying, "Give glory to God in heaven, and on earth let there be peace..."  
[Luke 2:13-14](#)

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So the shepherds went quickly and found Mary, Joseph and the baby.  
[Luke 2:16-17](#)

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Then the shepherds praised God and thanked Him for everything they had seen and heard. [Luke 2:20](#)

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After Jesus was born, some wise men came from the East.  
[Matthew 2:1](#)

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When the wise men saw the star, they were filled with joy.  
[Matthew 2:10](#)

They went to the house... and they bowed down and worshiped the child.  
[Matthew 2:11](#)

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They gave him treasures of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.  
[Matthew 2:11](#)

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"A child will be born to us. God will give a son to us. His name will be... Prince of Peace."  
[Isaiah 9:6](#)

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For God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son so that whoever believes in him may not be lost, but have eternal life. [John 3:16](#)

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"Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!"  
[2 Corinthians 9:15](#)

Amid the busyness of the season, we invite you to spend a moment every day of December this Advent thinking about the story of Jesus' birth. With one verse a day, may you find your own peace and joy in the journey to the miraculous gift at the manger.

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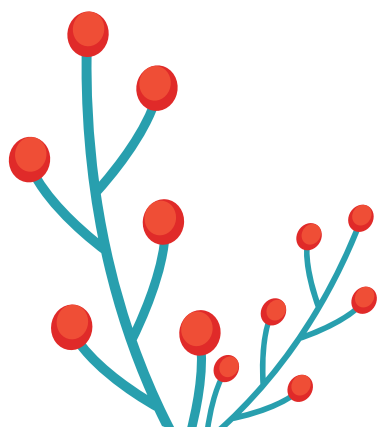


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