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# Epistles

Isaiah 9.6

Greetings Mt. View kids!

We are about to start a special season called Advent. I wonder what you remember about Advent... talk with your family for a minute about special traditions you have during Advent.



Maybe you talked about having an Advent Calendar at home. Maybe yours even has chocolate in it! Or maybe you remembered how the church has a special Advent Wreath with 4 candles on it and we light one each week until we reach Christmas.

The word Advent means "coming" or "arrival." So whose arrival is it that we wait for in Advent?

You probably guessed it – we wait for Jesus arrival on Christmas Day, when we celebrate his birth. Jesus was born about 2,000 years ago, but the Scriptures tell us he will come again one day and make God's love known to the whole creation.



In Advent, we wait with hope, peace, joy and love because we trust that when Jesus comes again, he will bring all these good things to us.

Isaiah 9.6 reminds us of all that we trust Jesus will bring. It talks about how a child is born for us, to bring peace to the world, to give us eternal life, and to be a guide for how we live and treat one another. Jesus brings many good things to us that we cannot live without.

In Advent, we remember all those good things Jesus brings (hope, peace, love, joy) and we wait with excitement for his coming again.

Watch the mail this week for a special Advent Devotion to arrive. I hope you can use it each day until Christmas and that it will help you remember that during Advent we wait for Jesus' arrival.

Shalom my friends!

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