ADVENT 2026

The Advent Listening Challenge

Sunday, November 29 – Thursday, December 24

Twenty-six days of praying, pausing, and listening, together. Each day has a short Scripture reading and one question to bring to God.

1

Pray

Read the day's verse and tell God what's on your heart.

2

Pause

Be still for two minutes and listen.

3

Write it down

Record what you sense, then weigh it against Scripture.

FOR CHURCHES AND SMALL GROUPS

Meet on the four Sundays of Advent and share what you've each been hearing. Week themes: Hope, Peace, Joy and Love. The full reading plan is on the back.

Journal along in Dialect

A prayer journal app that keeps what you sense next to Scripture, so you can look back and see what God has been saying.

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Scripture: World English Bible. Dialect never speaks for God; Scripture stays the measure.

THE ADVENT LISTENING CHALLENGE

The 26-day reading plan

HOPE *Nov 29 - Dec 5*

SUN NOV 29 — **Psalm 130:5**
What are you waiting for this Advent? Tell God, then wait. Write down what you sense.

MON NOV 30 — **Micah 7:7**
Pray one honest sentence. Then sit for two minutes trusting He heard it. What comes to mind?

TUE DEC 1 — **Lamentations 3:25**
Where has waiting felt like wasted time? Ask God how He sees it.

WED DEC 2 — **Habakkuk 2:3**
Is there something you sensed from God long ago and are still waiting on? Write it down again today.

THU DEC 3 — **Isaiah 40:31**
What's draining you right now? Name it, then ask what strength looks like this week.

FRI DEC 4 — **Romans 15:13**
Pray this verse over someone by name. Write down anything you sense for them.

SAT DEC 5 — **Isaiah 9:2**
Read back over this week's entries. What keeps coming up?

PEACE *Dec 6 - 12*

SUN DEC 6 — **Isaiah 9:6**
Which of these names do you need most right now? Pray to Him by that name.

MON DEC 7 — **Luke 1:13**
Zechariah's prayer was answered after years. What have you stopped asking for? Ask again.

TUE DEC 8 — **Isaiah 26:3**
What's pulling your mind in every direction? Hand each thing to God, one at a time, out loud.

WED DEC 9 — **Luke 1:38**
Is God asking you to say yes to something? Write down what you sense, then weigh it against Scripture.

THU DEC 10 — **Philippians 4:7**
Sit quietly for two minutes. Afterward, write down what changed, even if it was small.

FRI DEC 11 — **John 14:27**
What's troubling your heart? Tell Him plainly, then listen.

SAT DEC 12 — **Psalm 85:8**
Pray, then pause and ask what He wants to say to you. Write down the first thing that comes, and weigh it against Scripture.

JOY *Dec 13 - 19*

SUN DEC 13 — **Zephaniah 3:17**
Picture God rejoicing over you. What do you sense Him saying?

MON DEC 14 — **Luke 1:45**
Look back: has anything you wrote down months ago come to pass? Mark it answered.

TUE DEC 15 — **Luke 1:46-47**
Write your own Magnificat: three things God has done this year.

WED DEC 16 — **Psalm 16:11**
Ask God to show you the next step, just one. Write down what you sense.

THU DEC 17 — **Matthew 1:24**
Joseph listened through a dream. Has a dream stayed with you? Write it down and bring it to God.

FRI DEC 18 — **Luke 2:10**
Who needs good news this week? Pray for them by name, and listen for how you might help.

SAT DEC 19 — **John 10:27**
Read back over your Advent entries. What has God's voice sounded like this month?

LOVE *Dec 20 - 24*

SUN DEC 20 — **1 John 4:9**
Thank God for one specific way you've felt loved this year. Then ask how you can pass it on.

MON DEC 21 — **Luke 2:19**
Mary kept and pondered. Choose one thing you've written this Advent to keep pondering.

TUE DEC 22 — **Luke 2:25**
Simeon kept watching for years. Where is God asking you to keep watching?

WED DEC 23 — **John 1:14**
God came close. Where have you sensed Him close this month? Write it down so you'll remember.

THU DEC 24 — **Luke 2:11**
Tonight, just be with Him. Pray, pause, and write one sentence to remember this Advent by.

Each day: pray · pause and listen · write down what you sense, then weigh it against Scripture.