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Advent Prayers

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“My Gift to You”

A POEM FOR ADVENT

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The sun is slowly rising on this grand and glorious day,
Christmas morn is dawning; it's time to celebrate.
So, rise to meet this moment, be happy through and through,
And let your heart be filled with hope, My hope, My gift to you.

I've planned a day of feasting for body, mind and soul,
A time of grace and goodness to heal and make you whole.
A time to conquer every fear and make your worries few,
So, let your heart be filled with peace, My peace, My gift to you.





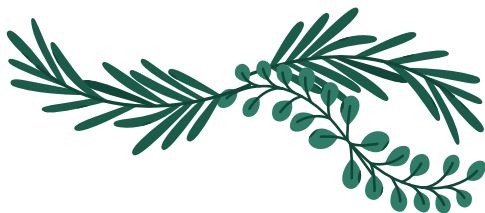
Don't look around at what you lack; look in at what you've got,
For when you add up all My gifts, you'll find you have a lot.
So, choose the path of gratitude, the way that's sure and true,
And let your heart be filled with joy, My joy, My gift to you.

Embrace the celebration of the advent of my birth,
The time when God's great mercy came down to all on earth.
I came for you from heaven, to do what only I could do,
So, let your heart be filled with love, My love, My gift to you.

The candle of My presence burns brightly from within,
I paid the price to save you from the guilt and shame of sin.
So, open up this treasure that's fresh and clean and new,
And let your heart be filled with Me, My life, My gift to you.



Enjoy these prayers of
HOPE, JOY, PEACE, LOVE
and CHRIST'S PRESENCE
as you celebrate this Advent Season,
and all throughout the year!







Prayers of Hope

Heavenly Father, As we enter this season of Advent, we gather with our hearts encouraged by the promise You gave long ago—a promise spoken through your prophets, fulfilled in a humble womb, and revealed in the One whose name is Jesus. We remember the angel's words: "He will be great... and of His kingdom there will be no end." Lord, let that truth settle in us today like a steady flame—unshaken, unwavering, full of hope. You have given us a Savior whose reign is eternal, whose mercy is unending, and whose hope settles and sustains us. In a world that is restless and uncertain, anchor us in the biblical hope that is not wishful thinking, but a confident trust in Your promised future. As You once sowed hope into Your people, sow it again in us—hope that looks to Christ, the long-awaited Messiah, hope that remembers Your faithfulness, and hope that lives with expectation for the fullness of Your kingdom. Lord Jesus, You are the hope realized, the peace we long for, the King who reigns forever. Open our hearts this Advent season to receive You anew. Let Your light break into our darkness, Your joy rise in our spirits, and Your hope lead us forward. We offer this prayer in the name that is above every name, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.





Prayers of Hope

Father God, we thank You for the ‘rope of hope’ You have extended to us through the saving work of Your Son, our source of hope, Jesus. As we grip it by grace, it grips us through grace. The strands of this hope are braided in a bond of strength and stability borne out of Your eternal plan of redemption. This hope has become our settled confidence in a glorious future in You. We declare that hope has come through the birth of Christ and the blessing of His advent, hope is here through the presence of Christ and His power ever among us, and hope is coming through the second advent of Christ to rule and reign in peace and prosperity for all. We praise You for this blessed hope that holds our hearts and anchors our souls today and forever. In Jesus’ strong and strengthening Name, Amen.

Father God, thank You for the hope You sowed into the hearts of Your people in times long ago, and thank You for the hope You have sown into our hearts as well. Their hope was rooted in a future Savior that would come to earth as a holy child. That hope was rewarded and realized in Christ’s holy birth and sinless life. Our hope is in a certain glorious future in this life, and an even more glorious future when King Jesus comes again at His Second Advent. For Your precious promises for this blessed hope, we give You glory, honor and praise. In Jesus’ Mighty and Saving Name, Amen.



Prayers of Joy

Heavenly Father, Thank You for sending us divine joy in the person of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who is our Source of joy and the only One who truly satisfies our souls. King Jesus, Thank You that You are the Light of the world that shines in the darkness, and You are the Lord who brings good tidings of great joy to all people. Your joy is the strength that lifts us up in the midst of difficulties and disappointments, and gives us courage to continue to proclaim Your unending goodness to a lost and broken world. Holy Spirit, Thank You for guiding us to Jesus, who provides more than just happy feelings from happy circumstances, giving us supernatural joy that is able to turn our mourning into rejoicing unlike any other person or possession. Lord, we know that in this world we will have trials and sorrow, but in Your presence we will experience fullness of joy. It is this joy that sustains us and strengthens us moment by moment and day by day. We choose to honor You and adore You today as we declare, "Joy to the world, the Lord is come!" And we look forward to that day when we will see You again! This Advent season, we receive You with inexpressible joy, and we rejoice in You, our King of joy. It's in Your great Name, Jesus, we pray, Amen.





Prayers of Joy

Oh God of Mary, who rejoiced her spirit, we say to You, “Behold the servants of the Lord! Let it be to us according to Your word!” We offer our lives in service to Your plans. We commit our steps to the paths You’ve chosen. Rejoice our spirits as we respond to Your call. King Jesus, we have found the greatest treasure: Your rule in our lives. We give up all we have to have You! Help us stay attached to You, like a branch to the vine. Fill us with Your joy. Make our joy full. Thank You that joy is ours because You are ours and we are Yours. In Your name, Lord Jesus, Amen.

Jesus, when You came into the world, joy came into the world. Your birth trumpeted the advent of joy for all people, for all time. What the angels heralded in high and holy praise, we, Your Church, declare with long and loud declarations filled with joy unspeakable and full of glory. You, King Jesus, have made our hearts glad and our lives full. You, King Jesus, have poured out the oil of joy that has washed away the spirit of heaviness. You, King Jesus, are the fountainhead of fullness and the source of all satisfaction. For this, we give You all the glory and all the honor. In Your prevailing Name we pray, Amen.



Prayers of Peace

Our great Prince of Peace, we come to You today thankful and full of praise for who You are. We all seek to live in peace, yet we often find ourselves caught up in the cares of life that can breed fear, confusion and anxiety. Oh, how we need Your peace! Your Word declares that You are our peace. You are the Prince of Peace, and through You, peace has come. Jesus, You modeled a life of undisturbed composure, prosperity of soul and complete human flourishing. At the same time, You conquered every circumstance, addressed every adversity, faced down every enemy, triumphed over every trial and every trauma and calmed every storm. We thank You, Father, that through You, peace is here—Your Shalom that brings wholeness, completeness, soundness of mind, health, safety and prosperity. May our hearts be filled with the peace that only the Person of Peace, Jesus Christ, can provide.

In Jesus' Name, Amen.





Prayers of Peace

Jesus, our Prince of Peace, Your advent became the birth of peace for us all. We receive Your peace as a glorious gem of Your generous grace. We choose, in Your Holy Name, by Your Holy Spirit, to overcome fear, anxiety, discouragement and despair through Your perfect peace. We receive this great gift of peace that You so readily provide. Help us to be anxious for nothing as we pray with glad and thankful hearts in everything, knowing that Your transcendent peace will guard our hearts and minds by Your Person, Presence and Promise. Amen.

Jesus, mighty Prince of Peace, we receive Your undisturbed composure, calm and contentment. We receive the peace with God, peace with self and peace with others that You came to provide. We choose, in Your Holy Name, to conquer and crush fear, worry, depression and despondency through the perfect peace that You freely give. We welcome Your peace as a precious gift to be tried, treasured and trusted—encountered, experienced and enjoyed. We say to You as we approach the celebration of Your advent, “Cast out our sin and enter in, be born in us today.” Amen.



Prayers of Love

Heavenly Father, Your word tells us in John 3:16 that, “You so loved the world that You gave Your one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him would not perish but have everlasting life.” Thank You that You loved us so much that You held nothing back from us, not even Your only son! Jesus, You embodied the Father’s love by laying down Your life for us. You showed us that there was nothing that You and the Father were unwilling to do, to bring helpless men and women back to You. As we think about Your great love for us during this advent season, we pray that our hearts would be filled with gratitude, and we ask that You would help us to show Your love to a lost and dying world. In Jesus' Name, we pray, Amen.





Prayers of Love

Heavenly Father, thank You for the great love with which You love us. Thank You for being rich in mercy toward us. We praise You for the exceeding riches of the grace and kindness You've shown us by sending Jesus to be Your gift of love for us. We receive Your love by receiving Christ as Lord and Your Holy Spirit as our endless supplier of divine love in our lives. We ask for Your empowerment to love our brothers and sisters like You have loved us, and to love the world around us like You do. There really is no story of love like the one You're writing. Help us faithfully take our place in that amazing story. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Father God, Your love and passion for us causes us to be humbled beyond measure and grateful beyond measure. Thank You, thank You, thank You for the gracious gift of Your Son and our Savior. In King Jesus, we see the face of divine love and passion. In King Jesus, we see the face of a Father who wanted us to be part of His "forever family." Because You loved, we know love. Because You loved, we see light. Because You loved, we have life. All because You loved. For all this we give you our hearts, minds, soul and strength. In Jesus' loving and liberating Name, Amen.



Prayers of Christ's Presence

We thank You, Father, that because You came to us in the gift of Your Son and all that entails, we can experience a daily communion with You, knowing that You will never leave us or forsake us, and that You're always available, always for us and always present. We thank You that since Jesus has come into the world, we can experience Your love, joy, peace and hope in ways that long ago were unimaginable. Thank You, Father, that through the gift of Your Son, His life, His death and His resurrection, we have been reconciled to You and have been welcomed into Your kingdom as sons and daughters of the Most High God. Thank You that You first loved us and had a plan to redeem us long before the world began. We celebrate You tonight, and welcome Your presence into our midst. In Jesus' Name, Amen.





Prayers of Christ's Presence

Jesus, God with us, how grateful we are for Your constant presence among us. How comforting, strengthening and gratifying it is to have Your presence daily manifested in our lives. Because the spiritual candle of Your presence burns brightly within us, we have Your light, love and life ever glowing with grace and goodness. You promised to never leave us or abandon us. You promised to be with us always, even to the end of the age. You have made good on those promises and will until You come again at Your second advent. Thank You for the gift of unbroken fellowship with You. It is what we value most, and treasure most dearly. In Your present and precious Name we pray, Amen.

Jesus, our Immanuel, how grateful we are that You chose to dwell among mankind as the Son of God and God the Son. For Your presence among the inhabitants of earth became the Source of salvation for all. And, thank You that when You left this earth and returned to heaven, You didn't leave us orphaned and alone. Thank You that You sent the Holy Spirit as the personal expression of Your permanent presence in, upon and among us. You said You would never leave us nor forsake us. You said You would be with us always, even to the end of the age. And, by Your Holy Spirit, You have kept that promise moment by moment and day by day. Because of this, we can enjoy and employ Your presence, peace and power always. Your closeness is our comfort. In Your ever-present Name we pray, Amen.



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