



Reverse Advent

Because Christmas has always been more about giving than receiving.



SUNDAY

27th

Light first purple candle.



Read Isaiah 9

MONDAY

28th

Set up a box for non-perishable foods to add throughout the Advent season. Deliver to a local food pantry the week of Christmas.

TUESDAY

29th

Pray for those you know who are far from Christ.



WEDNESDAY

30th

Bless your family and friends by setting up a Christmas puzzle in a spot that can be easily accessed throughout the Christmas season.

THURSDAY

1st

Speak words of encouragement to at least two people today whether it's at work, in a store, on a phone.

FRIDAY

2nd

Donate your time this month. Teach a craft, mentor, or volunteer.



SATURDAY

3rd

Use your extra decorations to brighten up someone's home who is unable to decorate due to their schedule, caretaking, etc.

4th

Light two purple candles.



Read Luke 2:1-6

5th

Silent night! Turn off the TV, phones, and laptops. Give yourself/family the gift of silence. Read, sing, play a game, etc.

6th

Invite a friend or new neighbor over for a cup of Christmas tea. Simple is best. A cup of tea or coffee and store-bought cookies work just fine.

7th

Listen. It's a gift that's easy to overlook, especially during this season.



8th

Clean out your closet and donate at least five articles of clothing to your local missions store.



9th

Give your family the gift of good memories. Pop popcorn, turn out all the lights except for the tree and watch a favorite Christmas movie.

10th

Bake a batch of cookies while listening to Christmas music. Deliver some to a local fire station or neighbor. Add a tag with Psalm 34:8 if you wish.

11th

Light two purple candles and one pink.



Read Luke 2:8-12

12th

Consider purchasing gifts on your list from Heifer.org or other organizations that help others while also pointing them to Christ.

13th

Be present wherever you are. Engage with others, leaving tomorrow's thoughts for tomorrow.

14th

Reach out to a local homeless shelter to see what supplies are needed. Maybe include friends in the mission to donate too?

15th

Call someone to tell them you love them.



16th

Write a prayer for those who will be with you during Christmas. Roll it up, tie a ribbon around it, and hang it on the tree until you give it to them.



17th

Paint a few flat rocks with messages like "God loves you" and hope-filled scripture. Place them in parks, potted plants in the city, hiking trails, etc.



18th

Light three purple candles and one pink.



Read Luke 2:13-20

19th

Make a card for your postal carrier, thanking him/her for delivering your mail.



20th

Give yourself the joy of singing before bedtime tonight.



21st

Turn off every light except for your Christmas tree and read a Christmas book.



22nd

Write a letter to Jesus thanking Him for five things. Fold it up, and put it under the tree as your gift to Him. (1 Thess. 5:16-18)

23rd

It's family game night! Don't forget the best part...Christmas treats.



24th

Attend a Christmas Eve service and also light all your Advent candles at home, including the white Christ candle.

25th

Happy Birthday

Jesus!



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