



2020
Jesse Tree Advent Readings

- 11/29** The First Sunday of Advent -Hope; **Isaiah 9:2**
- 12/1 Tree Ornament, "The Story and the Song", **Isaiah 11:1**
- 12/2 World Ornament, "The Beginning A Perfect Home" **Genesis 1:27**
- 12/3 Adam & Eve Ornament, "The Terrible Lie", **Genesis 3:8**
- 12/4 Noah's Ark Ornament, "A New Beginning", **Genesis 6:8**
- 12/5 Tower of Babel Ornament, "A Giant Staircase to Heaven (Gen 11)", **Isaiah 13:13**
- 12/6** Second Sunday of Advent, "Faith", Stars of Ornament, "Son of Laughter", **Genesis 12:2**
- 12/7 Ram Ornament, "The Present", **Genesis 22:14**
- 12/8 Jacob "12" Ornament, "The Girl No One Wanted", **Genesis 28:16**
- 12/9 Joseph Ornament, "The Forgiving Prince", **Genesis 50:20**
- 12/10 Moses Ornament*, "God to the Rescue" & "Ten Ways to be Perfect", **Deut. 5:6**
- 12/11 City (Arrows) Ornament, "The Warrior Leader", **Joshua 1:8-9**
- 12/12 Wheat Stalks Ornament, Ruth", **Ruth 1:16**
- 12/13** The Third Sunday of Advent: Joy, Boy by Fireplace Ornament, "The Teeny Weeny True King", **1 Samuel 16:7**
- 12/14 Sling Shot, The Young Hero and the Horrible Giant", **John 10:11**
- 12/15 David with Sheep Ornament, "The Good Shepherd" (Psalm 51, 2 Sam 7, Psalm 23), **John 10:11**
- 12/16 Fire Ornament, 1 Kings 18*, **1 Kings 18:21**
- 12/17 Sunrise Ornament, "Operation No More Tears", **Micah 5:6**
- 12/18 Lion Ornament, "Daniel and the Scary Sleepover", **Daniel 6:26-27**
- 12/19 Whale Ornament, "God's Messenger", **Hebrews 1:1-2**
- 12/20** The Fourth Sunday of Advent: Peace, Heart Ornament, "Get Ready!", **Habakkuk 2:1**
- 12/21 Old Couple Ornament, Luke 1:6-17*, **Luke 1:17**
- 12/22 Manger Ornament, "He's Here", **Luke 1:28**
- 12/23 Trumpet Ornament, "The King of All Kings", **Matthew 2:6**
- 12/24 Shepherd Ornament, "The Light of the Whole World", **Luke 2:11**
- 12/25 The Final Candle of Advent: Love, **Luke 2**
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Everything you Need for a Jesse Tree Advent

An Advent Wreath -

- Greenery and candle holders arranged in a circle around a white pillar candle
- 3 purple taper candles
- 1 pink taper candle
- matches

Every Sunday we light the candles, read the story, sing hymns, and pray together. We relate each story back to the theme of the Sunday (Hope, Faith, Joy, and Love)

A Jesse Tree -

Jesse Tree stories are read every night from December 1 - 25th and a new ornament added to the tree. We briefly summarize every story we've told each night, tracing the thread of Jesus all through the Old Testament.

- A tree, made of paper, felt, cloth, or an actual tree (we hang our ornaments directly on our Advent wreath)
- A set of Jesse Tree ornaments: there are tons of ornaments available to print, make, or buy! We have used and loved the set from [Keeping Life Creative.com](http://KeepingLifeCreative.com) (search Jesse Tree and Jesse Tree Add Ons)

*The stories in this schedule are from *The Jesus Storybook Bible* by Sally Lloyd Jones. The stories of Ruth, Elijah, and Elizabeth and Zachariah are not found in the storybook Bible, so we read them directly from the Bible, or (when the children were younger) summarize them.

*I glued the Ten Commandments, Red Sea, and Burning Bush together to create the "Moses" Ornament.

