# ADVENT: REMEMBER TO ANTICIPATE

# JESUS FOLLOWERS TRUST THE KING

# **BIG TRUTH: JESUS FOLLOWERS TRUST THE KING**

Psalm 9:10; 20:7; Isaiah 12:2; Proverbs 3:5; Isaiah 26:4; Jeremiah 17:7; 1 Peter 1:1-9; Revelation 19:16

## **BIBLE VERSE: LUKE 1:38**

And Mary said, "Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

#### **BIG IDEAS**

- We trust the King's perfect plan.
- We trust the King with our doubts and fears.
- We trust the King by obeying His Word.

### **BIBLE PASSAGE: LUKE 1**

The births of John the Baptist and Jesus mark the fulfillment of promises that God's people had been waiting for for centuries. The promises that God made to Elizabeth and to Mary about the children they would have seemed impossible, but they trusted God to keep His Word.

#### **ADVENT**

Advent is a special celebration and contemplation of the coming of Jesus Christ that Christians participate in during the Christmas season. Advent literally means "arrival" or "coming". During Advent season God's people remember and rejoice in Jesus' first coming to save his people from their sins, while at the same time long with anticipation and expectation for his return. Advent centers on Jesus, the saving Son. He alone is the one true King!

#### **BIG AIMS**



### Every student should know that:

- Jesus is the one and only King.
- Jesus came and is coming again.
- We exist for Jesus.



# Every student should feel:

- The longing within their soul for the King.
- A dissatisfaction within their soul for things of the world.
- Awe and wonder that the King has come and is coming again.



#### Every student should strive to:

- Spend time each week with their family talking about the King.
- Memorize the Bible Verse each week.
- Tell someone else about the King who came and is coming again.



# Every student should want to:

- Trust the King in the everyday struggles of life.
- See and seek Jesus more than anything else this Christmas season.
- Tell others who are lost about the good news of the King.

#### **FAMILY WORKOUT:**

This week we will consider how to help our son or daughter overcome some of the fears and doubts that keep them from trusting God. We will pray with them to trust God and to walk in obedience to Him. We will lead them to practice modeling a trust of God by obeying His Word.

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#### Read and meditate on Luke 1 this week.

• As you meditate on the different examples throughout this chapter, consider how you can model walking in obedience to God for your son or daughter. How can you discuss ways to overcome fears and doubts with your son or daughter? How can you lead them to identify some of the areas of their life that they need to walk in obedience to God?

#### Ponder how you can help your son or daughter grow in their trust of God as their King.

 How can you lead them in a discussion or point out ways they can increase their trust of God this week?



#### Spend time praying for your son or daughter this week.

- As you pray, ask the Holy Spirit to give your son or daughter a greater desire to obey God's Word.
- As you pray together, ask the Holy Spirit to guide your son/daughter or student to a greater obedience to God's Word this week.



## Discuss with your son or daughter some of the ways that you overcome your doubts and fears.

- Help your son or daughter identify some of their doubts and fears and look for scripture that reminds them of God's faithfulness.
- Write down a situation or circumstance that you need to trust and obey God in this week and share that with your son/daughter. Talk with them about the attitudes and behaviors that help you trust God and obey Him.
- Choose a verse to memorize with your son or daughter this week. Set aside time to work on memorizing this verse together.
- Discuss with your student ways to walk in obedience to God. Brainstorm some ways to choose obedience even when our circumstances aren't ideal.
- Help your son/daughter or student memorize Luke 1:38 this week by memorizing it with them.