



For Us
AND FOR *Our*
SALVATION
An Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany Experience

THE IDENTITY OF THE SAVIOR
FIRST WEEK OF EPIPHANY

REMEMBER

Epiphany is a celebration of God's self-revelation—Jesus is who he claims to be! The Magi revealed his identity as a king; at his baptism, God revealed Jesus' identity as his Son. Epiphany is also the time we can recommit ourselves to revealing Jesus Christ as our Lord through all we say and do.

READ

SONG OF SIMEON (Luke 2:29-32)

"Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you may now dismiss your servant in peace. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all nations: a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel."

PRAY

God of Advent, of waiting and hoping,
keep our hearts expectant, ready for your coming among us.
God of Christmas, of celebration and rejoicing,
make our hearts glad with the joy nothing can take from us.
God of Epiphany, of hiding and making known,
fill our hearts with wonder at the revelation of your glory
that we have seen in Christ our Lord. Amen.

LIGHT

As we light these candles one last time, we renew our confidence in God and our commitment to love him, serve him, and live for him, even as we wait for Christ's return. Emmanuel means "God is with us."

God of love,
you have led us through another season of waiting,
you have inspired us to sing the angels' songs again,
you have shown us the promise that a day will come
when your peace will be our reality, and your love will be our joy.
May the light of Christ surround us throughout this year.
May the hope of Christ encourage us wherever we go.
May the blessing of Christ be revealed in all we say and do,
that through our witness, others will celebrate the birth of your Son
in a new and astonishing way next Christmas. Amen.

SING

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

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