



## THIS CHRISTMAS ... JESUS

The term “**Advent**” is derived from the Latin term “adventus” which literally means “**arrival**.” In the ancient world, it often referred to the arrival of a king. Christians have long used this word to describe the “arrival” of Jesus to our world 2,000 years ago at His birth in Bethlehem. But why was Jesus’ advent such a big deal back then and why does His advent matter, big time, to you today? That’s what we’re going to discover this Christmas Eve.

*A boy child will be born and given to us. His name will be Mighty God. Now when the time was just right, God sent that boy to us, His Son, God the Son, Jesus.*  
(Isaiah 9; 740 B.C. Galatians 4; A.D. 49)

### WHO IS JESUS?

### WHAT DID JESUS DO?

### WHAT IS JESUS DOING NOW?

### WHAT ARE JESUS’ FUTURE PLANS?

### WHAT ARE JESUS’ FUTURE PLANS?

### WHAT DOES JESUS WANT FROM YOU?

Belief in ...

Request for ...

Surrender to ...

Relationship of ...

*God became human and lived among us as Jesus Christ. He is glorious and He is full of Divine loving-favor and truth. Jesus gives the right and the power to become children of God to those who receive Him. Trust in His name. (John 1:12,14)*

### HOW TO BECOME A FOLLOWER OF JESUS

**REALIZE ... that God has a loving plan & eternal purpose for your life.**

Jesus said, “I came to give you a full & satisfying life.” (John 10:10)

God loved the world so much that He gave his only Son (Jesus) so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)

**RECOGNIZE ... that sin separates us from God & His plan for our lives.**

There is a problem ... our sin has separated us from God. (Isaiah 59:2)

All of us have sinned and the wages of that sin is death ... eternal separation from God in Hell. (Romans 3:23 & 6:23)

**REPENT ... of your sin by asking Jesus to forgive you.**

Forsake your sinful ways and evil thoughts. Return to the Lord. God will show you mercy and forgive you freely. (Isaiah 55:7)

Confess your sins to Jesus. He is faithful and just to forgive your sins and to cleanse you from all wickedness. (1 John 1:9)

**RESPOND ... to Jesus by surrendering your life to Him as your God & Savior.**

As a Christian, Christ is alive in me. Therefore, my life today is all about faithfully following the Son of God, who loves me and gave Himself up for me. (Galatians 2:20)

Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved. Only Jesus has the power to save! His name is the only one in all the world that can save anyone. (Acts 4:12; 16:31)

**Following Jesus starts with a prayer like this:**

Dear Lord Jesus ... I believe you are God and the only one who can save me from sin. I ask you to forgive me for my sin. I surrender my life to You and I ask You to be my Savior and God. Please help me to live this life faithfully following You and bring me home to Heaven when I die. Thank you, Jesus, for loving me like this ... Amen.

If you have placed your faith in Jesus today, NCCF wants you to know how happy we are to hear that. Please let one of our pastors, ushers, or greeters know of your decision to follow Christ. NCCF has some free materials (including a Bible) that we’d like to give to you to help you in your first steps as a Christian.