

## SUNDAY GATHERING // 12.5.21

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- New to Seaside? We would love the chance to connect with you! You can fill out a connect card at the connect corner or online @ [seasidechurch.com/connectcard](http://seasidechurch.com/connectcard).
  - We are hoping to raise \$20,000 for our Year-End Gift this year! This will go to several specific ministries in our community and here at Seaside. Find all the details @ [seasidechurch.com/yearendgift](http://seasidechurch.com/yearendgift).
  - Wednesday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, is the SeasideYouth Christmas Party from 6-8p for students in grades 6-12. Bring an ugly Christmas Sweater and white elephant gift.
  - Seaside Men's Group is next Saturday here at the garage from 8-10a. We would love to see you there!
  - Updated Christmas Eve Gatherings: we will have only 2 gatherings @ 4 & 5:30p, and the 5:30 gathering will be live online. Register @ [seasidechurch.com/christmaseve](http://seasidechurch.com/christmaseve).
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### COLLECT:

Blessed Lord, who caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and the comfort of your holy Word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### READINGS:

Malachi 3:1-5 // Psalm 126  
1 Corinthians 4:10-21 // Luke 3:1-6

## ADVENT SERIES: WAITING FOR GOD

**Get Ready Ya'll!** [Malachi 3:1-5, Psalm 126,  
1 Corinthians 4:10-21, Luke 3:1-6]

### GROUP DISCUSSION:

Which of the 4 texts did you resonate with the most and why?  
Malachi 3:1-5; Psalm 126; 1 Corinthians 4:10-21; Luke 3:1-6

Pastor Rob mentioned 4 things we can do while we wait and prepare for our Lord's return. Which one do you need to do in this season of your life and why?

1. Submit to God's refining fire.
2. Look for joy in the midst of struggle.
3. Don't be distracted from what really matters.
4. Make room in your heart for God.

Share a time when you were refined by God with your group. Though the purifying can be difficult, share the good that came because of it.

Discuss what it means to "see the salvation of the Lord." (Luke 3:6)

### Resources:

*A Long Obedience in the Same Direction*, Eugene Peterson

### NEXT WEEK [12.12.21]

Worship Readings: Zephaniah 3:14-20 // Psalm 85  
Philippians 4:4-9 // Luke 3:7-20