

DISCUSSION GUIDE

Gospel Communities 11/28/21



1. What is one gift you remember hoping and waiting for at Christmas time when you were a kid?
2. How does Thanksgiving help prepare our hearts for the Christmas season?
3. Read Galatians 4:4-5. How does God sending Jesus lead us to belong in His family as His children?
4. When is it hard for you to feel like you belong in God's family? How do these verses shift your perspective about that?
5. Why is it sometimes difficult for you to trust God's timing?
6. What are you waiting on God to do in your life this week?

"The celebration of Advent is possible only to those who are troubled in soul, who know themselves to be poor and imperfect, and who look forward to something greater to come. For these, it is enough to wait in humble fear until the Holy One himself comes down to us, God in the child in the manger. God comes. The Lord Jesus comes. Christmas comes. Christians rejoice!" D Bonhoeffer

7. How can you choose to rejoice in this Christmas season? In light of the above quote, may you need to move more in the direction of "knowing yourself" to be poor and imperfect? More in the direction of looking for something greater?

Pray for each other's needs and to rest in the wonder of Jesus Christ as Emmanuel.