The Prophecy Candle

1

Advent

Advent is a way of preparing ourselves spiritually for Christmas. The term <u>Advent</u> means "coming" or "arrival." It's a time of looking forward to the arrival of Jesus. Advent begins four Sundays before Christmas, and it ends on Christmas Eve.

Christ, Christmas, and Prophecy

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth ... Then God saw everything that He had made, and indeed it was very good.

(Genesis 1:1, 31)

3

Creation

Genesis 2:16-17

And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, "Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; ¹⁷ but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."

Fall and the Curse

Genesis 3:6

So, when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate.

5

Hope

Genesis 3:15

And I will put enmity between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel."

Galatians 4:4

But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law.

Noah

Genesis 6:7-8

So the Lord said, "I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth, both man and beast, creeping thing and birds of the air, for I am sorry that I have made them." ⁸ But Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord.

7

Abrahamic Covenant

Genesis 12:3

"I will bless those who bless you, And I will curse him who curses you; And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

Matthew 1:1

The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the Son of David, the Son of Abraham.

Line of Judah

Genesis 49:10

The scepter shall not depart from Judah, Nor a lawgiver from between his feet, Until Shiloh comes; And to Him *shall be* the obedience of the people.

Luke 3:33

The son of Amminadab, the son of Ram, the son of Hezron, the son of Perez, the son of Judah.

9

That Prophet

Deuteronomy 18:15-19

"The Lord your God will raise up for you a Prophet like me from your midst, from your brethren. Him you shall hear, ¹⁶ according to all you desired of the Lord your God in Horeb in the day of the assembly, saying, 'Let me not hear again the voice of the Lord my God, nor let me see this great fire anymore, lest I die.' ¹⁷ "And the Lord said to me: 'What they have spoken is good. ¹⁸ I will raise up for them a Prophet like you from among their brethren, and will put My words in His mouth, and He shall speak to them all that I command Him. ¹⁹ And it shall be *that* whoever will not hear My words, which He speaks in My name, I will require *it* of him.

That Prophet

Moses
Law Giver
Ushered in the
Priesthood and
Sacrificial System
One Way of Access to
God

11

That Prophet

Moses
Law Giver
Ushered in the
Priesthood and
Sacrificial System
One Way of Access to
God.

That Prophet
Greater than Moses
Grace Giver
Was the High Priest who
offered Himself as the Final
Sacrifice to atone for Sin.
One Way of Access to God
(Hebrews 10:1-22)

Born of a Virgin

Isaiah 7:14

Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel.

Luke 1:26-27

Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, ²⁷ to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary.

13

Born of a Virgin

Luke 1:31-38

And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name Jesus. ³² He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. 33 And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end."

³⁴ Then Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I do not know a man?"

Born of a Virgin Luke 1:31-38

³⁵ And the angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God. ³⁶ Now indeed, Elizabeth your relative has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the sixth month for her who was called barren. ³⁷ For with God nothing will be impossible." ³⁸ Then Mary said, "Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

15

Ruler Redeemer

Isaiah 9:6-7

For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. ⁷ Of the increase of *His* government and peace *There will be* no end, Upon the throne of David and over His kingdom, To order it and establish it with judgment and justice From that time forward, even forever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.

Ruler Redeemer

Luke 1:31-33

"And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name Jesus. ³² He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. ³³ And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end."

17

Ruler Redeemer

Matthew 28:18

And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.

Christ, Christmas, and Prophecy



19

The Prophecy Candle

The prophecies of God give us give us **HOPE**. Jesus came to pay the price for our sins, but there is more prophecy to be fulfilled.... He is coming again. When Jesus returns, He will judge the world and set up His kingdom and will reign forever and ever!

So What ...

Jesus is coming again! All the prophecy of His Advent was perfectly fulfilled. Therefore, we must assume that all future prophecy will unfold just as foretold.

You will stand before God, and when He asks you why
He should let you into heaven, what will you say?
Believer's lives will be evaluated by how we lived.
Let's live this Christmas and the rest of our lives for
Christ!