



ADVENT EVENING MEDITATION

Isaiah's Advent Promises

HYMN 21 | *Hosanna to the Coming Lord*

RESPONSES

Leader: Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over.

Luke 24:29

Group: **Surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.**

Matthew 28:20

L Your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday.

G **The LORD will guide you always.**

Isaiah 58:10,11

L Your sun will never set again, and your moon will wane no more;

G **the LORD will be your everlasting light, and your days of sorrow will end.**

Isaiah 60:20

L On no day will the gates of the Holy City ever be shut,

G **for there will be no night there.**

Revelation 21:25

PSALM 91 | *Be With Me*

REFRAIN

Be with me, Lord, when I am in
trou-ble, be with me, Lord, I pray.—

*You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord Most High, who abide in the shadow of our God.
Say to the Lord: "My refuge and fortress, the God in whom I trust." **Refrain.***

*No evil shall befall you, no pain come near, for his angels stand close by your side,
Guarding you always and bearing you gently, Watching over your life. **Refrain.***

*Those who cling to the Lord live secure in his love, lifted high those who trust in his name.
Call on the Lord, he will never forsake you, He will bring you salvation and joy. **Refrain.***

READING Isaiah 11:1 | *Isaiah's Tree*

11 A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse;
from his roots a Branch will bear fruit.

DEVOTIONAL THOUGHT FOR MY WEEK:

HYMN 1 | *The Advent of Our King (Verses 1-2)*

READING Isaiah 9:6 | *Isaiah's Present*

⁶ For to us a child is born,
to us a son is given,
and the government will be on his shoulders.
And he will be called
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

DEVOTIONAL THOUGHT FOR MY WEEK:

HYMN 1 | *The Advent of Our King (Verses 3-4)*

READING Isaiah 60:1 | *Isaiah's Light*

60 "Arise, shine, for your light has come,
and the glory of the LORD rises upon you.

DEVOTIONAL THOUGHT FOR MY WEEK:

HYMN 1 | *The Advent of Our King (Verses 5-6)*

CONFESSION OF FAITH

☩ I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

ADVENT INTERCESSION

L Lord God, we praise You that You comforted Your people with the promise of a Redeemer from sin, death and the power of the devil. We praise You that in the fullness of time You sent Your Son as the Redeemer. We praise You that You give promise that You will send Him to us again to judge the world in righteousness. Open our hearts to receive our Redeemer as He comes to us in His Word the Holy Bible and in the Sacraments of the Lord's Supper and Holy Baptism. Open our eyes in remembrance of our baptism and the heavenly peace established by God's grace. Make Advent a blessing to us as we welcome our King in faith and love. We lift up our hearts to welcome Him anew. Fill us with gladness as he comes to us.

G Amen.

LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER

G In the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, your dear Son, that you have graciously kept me this day. Forgive me all my sins, and graciously keep me this night. Into your hands I commend my body and soul and all things. Let your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.

BLESSING

L The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ (†), and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

2 Corinthians 13:14

G Amen.

HYMN 592 | *All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night*

*"In the evening when you go to bed, make the sign of the holy cross and say, 'In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.' " (*The Small Catechism*)