



Advent 1

Luke 21:25-36

Here are some activities you can do this week together as a family



BIBLE PASSAGE

Read together the story from Luke 21:25-36 and then consider the questions below:

- I wonder what makes you feel worried or frightened?
- I wonder what a sign of hope during Advent could be?

In this week's passage Jesus tells his disciples that the Kingdom of God is on its way. He says that there are difficult times ahead but uses a fig tree as a sign of hope.

Advent paper chain

- ❖ On card draw a star (about 15 cm across) and then cut out.
- ❖ About two thirds of the way down the star, make a horizontal slit in the centre of the star, about 5cm long.
- ❖ Using brightly coloured paper (or you could use Christmas wrapping paper), make a paper chain of 24 loops
- ❖ Thread the top loop through the slit in the star before sticking it shut.
- ❖ On each day of advent take off one loop of the chain
- ❖ On Christmas Day you could then add the star to your Christmas tree

GET CREATIVE!

Paper candle craft

You will need: white, yellow, and red paper

- Cut two strips of roughly 4 x 21cm, from A4 piece of paper
- Place one on top of the other (making an L shape), apply glue and stick together
- Fold one on top of the other and continue to braid the paper
- When you've finished folding glue the two ends together
- On a red piece of paper draw a flame shape and cut out .
- Next draw a flame shape on a yellow piece of paper (making the yellow flame smaller than the red one).
- Glue the yellow flame on top of the red flame
- Fold the bottom of the flame so that you can stick it to the white braided paper

We would love to see your creations and you can email them to:
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❖ Game

Hula Hoop Bean Bag challenge

Place hula hoops on the floor and mark a start like to throw from.

Place a value in each hula hoop eg 10, 25,50, 100

Stand at the start line and try and throw the bean bags into a hula hoop

(if you don't have any bean bags or hula hoops get creative and make an alternative).

HOPE acrostic prayer

Write a word or phrase beginning with each letter of the word HOPE, as a prayer.
You could pray for your community, friends, the world, or something that is on your heart

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