



The Promise of a Savior

2024 ADVENT DEVOTIONS

Advent 2024 Devotionals - Week 2

For the second week of Advent 2024, we will continue to use the theme of the Promises of God. Whether through God speaking directly or through the Prophets, His Promises are rich daily. If we think back through scripture, His Promises extend from Genesis 1 and through the books of the New Testament. We will unwrap His Promises and determine what each holds for us today. Along the way, we may find a few surprises or a fresh perspective on what each promise gives us.

Pam and I hope your time reading these devotionals is blessed during this Advent season.

All scriptural references are from the English Standard Version of the Holy Bible.





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Advent 2024 Week 2, Day 1

Your Sins Are Like Scarlet

How often have you heard or used this phrase? Is it only a little sinful? No one wants to think of themselves as being evil, or sinful for that matter. Yet, we tend not to want to think badly of ourselves as being crossways with God's purpose for our lives. Still, we find ourselves to have sinned. We often find ourselves in a quandary as to why we sin. It is easy to become discouraged by this broken condition we have. Yet, there is hope for all sinners in the words of promise from God as found in Isaiah 1:18: "Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord : though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool."

We are a broken and sinful people. It's not just you and me. It's the whole world that is broken. As we found in week one, Adam and Eve started this entire fiasco. But we have hope. That hope being the Messiah promised to God's people in Jesus Christ. The birth, death, and resurrection of Jesus set us right with God. We were lost with Jesus, though many do not accept this fact. Yet, Jesus is the Savior we all needed to accomplish what we could not do.

The season of Advent is the anticipatory celebration of the birth of the Christ Child, who would grow up to be our Savior, Jesus. I find it remarkable that God would send this promised Savior as an infant. I would not have done so. But then again, I do not fully understand how God thinks or plans. Someday, maybe I will be in heaven. But for now, I will choose to rely on God's promises. What about you?

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