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Witness of the Advent of the Lord!

Lesson 3 • Luke 2:25-33

ADVENT on PURPOSE: A Bible-Based, Christ-Exalting, and Gospel-Centered Approach		
The CANDLES of Advent	The CHARACTERS of Advent	The CALLINGS of Advent
1. The PROMISE Candle	The Prophets who predicted His coming.	WAIT for His arrival in the "Not Yet"!
2. The PREPARATION Candle	The OT Saints who were prepared for His coming.	WATCH with anticipation!
3. The PROCLAMATION Candle	The Shepherds who proclaimed His coming.	WITNESS with abandon!
4. The PARTICIPATION Candle	The Wisemen who participated in His coming	WORSHIP with adoration!
5. The PURPOSE Candle	The Sovereign Savior who redeems and restores.	WELCOME His arrival in the "Now-Not Yet"!

What We Proclaim of God's Salvation as We Wait for the Second Advent.

1. Salvation is **PRESENT**. (29)

We do not witness of a salvation to come, but of a salvation that has come and is available now.

2. Salvation is a **PERSON**. (28, 30)

Listen to how Paul describes our salvation in Romans 6:3-7

3. Salvation is **PERSONAL**. (28, 30)

Psalm 139:105

Salvation comes from a God that knows us. Salvation comes from a God that knows our sinfulness but cares for us and loves us anyway.

Romans 5:1-8

4. Salvation Brings PEACE. (29)

Isaiah 32:15-17; John 14:27

5. Salvation is for ALL PEOPLES. (31-32)

Isaiah 49:5-6; Isaiah 52:10

The culmination of this will be seen in the New Creation...

Revelation 7:9

After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could count, from every nation and all tribes and peoples and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, and palm branches were in their hands;

6. Salvation is about **PROMISE-KEEPING**. (29, 32)

"According to Your word" - in the CSB version it is translated as "As you have promised".

Genesis 17:7

I will always keep my promise I have made to you and your descendants, because I am your God and their God.

God's promises are not only for the Jews, but we are included in them.

Galatians 3:29

And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

Salvation is dependent on God's promises being kept.

7. Salvation requires sovereign **POWER and PERSONAL RESPONSE** (33)

Romans 1:16

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

When the gospel is proclaimed, when the Messiah is revealed and salvation is presented to us - we will respond. What will your response be?



WAIT for the PROMISE! WATCH in PREPARATION! WITNESS by PROCLAIMING the Good News! WORSHIP with PARTICIPATION with the Church! WELCOME our Sovereign Savior as He fulfills his PURPOSE!



