Dennis R. Wiles First Baptist Arlington Advent 2022

# 2022

## **First Baptist Arlington**

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Re-Flect, Re-Fresh, Re-Store, Re-Vive, Re-Deem, Re-Birth, Re-New, Re-Imagine, Re-Surrect, Re-Concile, Re-Member, Re-Create, Re-Pent, Re-Plenish, Re-Veal, Re-Dedicate, Re-Joice,

Re — EVERYTHING!!!

ADVENT 2022 Re-Member

November 27 – December 31, 2022 Luke

### Do this in remembrance of me! Luke 22:19

The Hebrew word *zakar* is translated with the English word *remember*. In the Hebrew context, to "remember" was an active endeavor. It did not just mean to "call to mind" or "to be conscious of" --- it was associated with appropriate actions. When God "remembered" Noah (Genesis 8:1), He sent the wind to dry the earth. When God sees the rainbow, He "remembers" His covenant promise. Remembering is associated with action.

In the New Testament, Luke uses the word "remember" in his Gospel several times. Both Zechariah (Luke 1:72) and Mary (Luke 1:54) use this word in their respective songs recorded by Luke. Jesus challenged His followers to partake the bread in the Lord's Supper as a way of "remembering" Him (Luke 22:19).

We will celebrate the Advent Season through the discipline and celebration of "remembering" all God has done for us through His Son and our Savior, Jesus Christ.

November 27, 2022: Do This in Remembrance of Me

Luke 22:7-20

(Celebration of The Lord's Supper)

We begin the Advent Season by "remembering" what Jesus has done for us. The Passion of Christ actually contextualizes and frames the celebration of the Birth of Christ. As followers of Jesus, we will engage in the "action" of remembering through the Celebration of the Lord's Supper. We will also be encouraged to use the Advent Season as a time of "active remembrance" through our daily actions.

#### **Daily Bible Readings**

November 28: Luke 22:1-46 November 29: Luke 22:47-71 November 30: Luke 23:1-25

December 1: Luke 23:26-56

December 2: Luke 24
December 3: Re-Flection

#### <u>December 4, 2022</u>: God Remembered to Prepare The Way

Luke 1:5-25

The story of Christmas is the culmination of hundreds of years of expectant anticipation. God had prepared the world for the birth of the Messiah. One final piece in this incredible mosaic of revelation was the provision of the forerunner---the one who embodied the spirit and power of Elijah. John the Baptist was miraculously born to Zechariah and Elizabeth ---- and he would fulfill his role in the Greatest Story Ever Told.

#### **Daily Bible Readings**

December 5: Malachi 3:6-4:6
December 6: Luke 1:1-25
December 7: Luke 1:67-80
December 8: Luke 3:1-22
December 9: Matthew 11:1-19

**December 10: Re-Flection** 

#### December 11, 2022: God's Remembered His Promise

Luke 1:46-55

Mary was chosen by God to be the mother of our Lord. Here in this beautiful song, she expressed her understanding that God had not forgotten His promises to Israel!

#### **Daily Bible Readings**

December 12: Psalm 98

December 13: Isaiah 40:1-17 December 14: Isaiah 40:18-31

December 15: Isaiah 41

December 16: Luke 1:46-55 December 17: Re-Flection

December 18, 2022: God's Plan of Salvation

Luke 1:67-79

The heart of the Christmas Story is the provision of salvation for the people of God. In fact, the offer of salvation extends beyond the border of Israel and has been extended to all of humanity! As we prepare for 2023 (a year given to evangelistic sensitivity), we will explore the miraculous nature of God's saving grace on this Third Sunday of Advent.

#### **Daily Bible Readings**

December 19: Luke 4:1-13 December 20: Luke 4:14-30 December 21: Luke 4:38-44

December 22: Luke 9

December 23: Luke 10:1-24

Christmas Eve: Re-Flection

<u>Christmas Eve 2022</u>: The Story of Christmas: Worth Remembering!

Luke 2:22-35

Joseph and Mary had many unforgettable experiences in this incredible story. Certainly, they would never forget that first visit to the Temple with their new baby boy. Simeon would speak prophetic words over them and their son that found their way into Holy Scripture. Tonight, we will remember these words as we reflect on this beautiful story.

<u>December 25, 2022</u>: God's Great Gift to His World Luke 2:1-20

Merry Christmas! It is Christmas Day and a time to celebrate. The original Christmas gift has come to us straight from the heart of God. The Lord Jesus is the fulfillment of all Messianic pronouncements and hopes. He is the Hope of the Ages. He is the Messiah, the Lamb of God, the Son of Man . . . the Son of God!

#### **Daily Bible Readings**

December 26: Isaiah 8:19-9:7

December 27: Isaiah 11

December 28: Colossians 1:15-23 December 29: Colossians 1:24-2:7 December 30: Revelation 7:9-17

**December 31: Re-Flection**