

Here is a simple reading for Christmas Day, or whenever you have a few quiet moments to light all your Advent candles, remember each Advent theme, and light the fifth candle, the Christ candle.



ADVENT PRAYER 1

Blessed are you, Sovereign Lord, God of our ancestors,
to you be praise and glory forever!
You called Abraham and Sarah to live by the light of faith
and to journey in the hope of your promised fulfilment.
May we be obedient to your call
and be ready and watchful to receive your Christ
a lamp to our feet and a light to our path;
for you are our light and our salvation.
Blessed be God forever.

ADVENT PRAYER 2

Blessed are you, Sovereign Lord, just and true,
to you be praise and glory forever!
Of old you spoke by the mouth of your prophets
but in our days you speak through your Son
whom you have appointed the heir of all things.
Grant us your people to walk in his light
that we may be found ready and watching
when he comes again in glory and judgement;
for you are our light and our salvation.
Blessed be God forever.

ADVENT PRAYER 3

Blessed are you, Sovereign Lord, just and true,
to you be praise and glory forever!
Your prophet John the Baptist was witness to the truth
as a burning and shining light.
May we your servants rejoice in his light,
and so be led to witness to him
who is the Lord of our coming Kingdom
Jesus our Saviour and King of the ages.
Blessed be God forever.

ADVENT PRAYER 4

Blessed are you, Sovereign Lord, merciful and gentle;
to you be praise and glory forever!
Your light has shone in our darkened world
through the child born of Mary;
grant that we who have seen your glory
may daily be renewed in your image
and prepared like her for the coming of your Son,
who is the Lord and Saviour of all.
Blessed be God forever.

Read Luke 2:1-20 and Titus 2:11-14.

CHRISTMAS DAY PRAYER

Blessed are you Sovereign Lord, King of Peace:
to you be praise and glory forever!
The new light of your incarnate word,
gives gladness in our sorrow,
and a presence in our isolation.
Fill our lives with your light,
until they overflow with gladness and praise.
Blessed be God forever.



Source of prayers: <http://www.oremus.org/liturgy/pohg/s3e.html>

I *think* the website is quoting from a book called *Promise of His Glory*.