

## WHY JESUS CAME (IN HIS OWN WORDS)

### 2018 ADVENT READING GUIDE

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- Luke 15 – The lost sheep, the lost coin, the lost son
- Luke 8:36-50 – "Your faith has saved you"
- 1 Timothy 1:12-17 – Jesus came to save sinners
- John 3:1-21 – Jesus came that the world might be saved
- Psalm 27 – Our response to God

Week of Dec. 9 – "I came to bring a sword" (Matthew 11:34)

- Matthew 10:16-39 – The gospel causes division
- Micah 7 – God's enemies are the enemies of God's people
- Luke 14:25-33 – Counting the cost of discipleship
- Philippians 3:1-10 – The fellowship of Christ's sufferings
- Matthew 12:46-50 – The importance of the family of God

Week of Dec. 16 – "I came to do the will of Him who sent Me" (John 6:38)

- John 4:1-38 – Jesus' food is doing the will of God
- Mark 14:32-42 – "Not what I will, but what You will"
- Psalm 1 – Knowing God's will through Scripture
- 1 John 5:13-15 – Praying according to God's will
- Matthew 7:24-27 – The stability of doing God's will

Week of Dec. 23 – "I came that they might have life" (John 10:10)

- John 6:60-71 - "You have the words of eternal life"
- 1 John 5:1-13 - Whoever has the Son has life
- Romans 6:1-11 - Walk in newness of life
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