

“Advent 2016 – Part 1: God is”

“Advent” = coming.

- I. God is \_\_\_\_\_ (Heb. 11:6)
- A. \_\_\_\_\_ (Gen. 1:1; 2 Pet. 1)
- B. \_\_\_\_\_ (Gen. 1; Ps. 19; Rom. 1)
- C. \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom. 2)
- D. \_\_\_\_\_ (Jn. 1:1, 14; 14:6-11; Col. 1:15; 2:9; Heb. 1:3)
- II. God is \_\_\_\_\_
- A. \_\_\_\_\_ (Is. 9:6-7; Phil. 2:9-10; Rev. 19:16)
- B. \_\_\_\_\_ (Jn. 5:22-27; Rev. 20)
- C. \_\_\_\_\_ (Deut. 7:9; Lam. 3:22-23; 1 Cor. 1:9; 2 Thess. 3:3)
- D. \_\_\_\_\_ (Titus 3:3-7)
- III. God is \_\_\_\_\_ (Heb. 11:6)
- A. \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom. 8:15; 1 Jn. 3:1-2; Eph. 1:3-6)
- B. \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom. 8:14-17; Heb. 1:14; 1 Pet. 1:4; Mt. 25:34)
- C. \_\_\_\_\_ (Mt. 5:11-12; 6:1-4; 10:42; Col. 3:23-24; 1 Tim. 6:18-19; Rev. 22:12)

## **Discussion & Application:**

- 1. Why have Christians historically celebrated “Advent” during this time of year? What does it mean? Have you been in a church that celebrated advent? Share some of the positive things you learned from celebrating Advent.**
  
- 2. How do we know that God is alive? How do we know this whole Christmas thing isn’t just another way for religious people to make money and have control over people? What are the strongest reasons why you believe in God?**
  
- 3. Who is Jesus? Why was His coming to earth so significant? What does it tell us about God and His desire for us?**
  
- 4. What “job description” would you write for God? What does God do? Is it obvious by the way you live that God is your GOD? Give examples. Are there any “idols” in your heart? Give examples. Why is it foolish to trust in idols? What would God have you do with your idols today?**
  
- 5. What does the Bible say about adoption? What does it mean to be adopted into God’s family?**
  
- 6. What is the “inheritance” that every Christian will receive? How do we know for sure that we will receive it?**
  
- 7. How do believers obtain eternal rewards? Will all believers have the same rewards in heaven? Is it wrong to be motivated by rewards?**
  
- 8. During this Advent Season, what practical thing(s) could you do to demonstrate that you truly believe “God is”?**
  
- 9. How does absolute assurance of the Second Advent of Jesus Christ impact the way you are living in this temporal world? Give specific examples of how it impacts your:**
  - a. Time**
  - b. Thoughts**
  - c. Tongue**
  - d. Tent (body)**
  - e. Talents**
  - f. Treasures**
  - g. Trials**

**[Blanks: Alive; Scripture; Creation; Conscience; Jesus; God; Sovereign Ruler; Just Judge; Faithful Covenant-Keeper; Merciful Savior; Rewarder; Adoption; Inheritance; Rewards]**