

Christmas

at THE CREEK

ADVENT DEVOTIONALS

WEEK 1: HOPE

Sunday, November 27

READ: Isaiah 9:6-7

As God's people were about to head into exile, God delivered hope through a promise. Someday, all of the evil and pain and turmoil in life will be over – a King will come and make all things new. Christmas celebrates the hope that God sent Jesus to fulfill that promise and rescue creation once and for all. Knowing God has kept His promises in the past gives us hope that God will continue keeping His promises in the future.

ASK:

- What's something you hope for?
- How can you stay hopeful when you don't get what you want?
- When have you seen God take care of you?

PRAY:

"Dear God, thank You for reminding us during this time of year that You keep your promises – every single time! Thank you for the promise of Jesus. Thank You for the hope that we have in Him. Please help me to remember what You did for Your people – and for me – when You sent Jesus to be our Savior. I love You, and pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen."

As you go about your week, take some time to reflect on each of the daily passages. Sit with God in each text. Allow God's Word to speak to you. Ask yourself, "Lord, what do you want to show me in this text today?" Then, listen. After each day has wrapped up, finish in prayer.

Monday: Jeremiah 23:5-6

Tuesday: Isaiah 11:1-5

Wednesday: Isaiah 53:1-12

Thursday: Isaiah 42:1-4

Friday: Zechariah 9:9-10

Saturday: Isaiah 7:10-14; Luke 1:26-38