Advent Calendar Jar | Luke 2

Decorate a jar and fill it with 24 Christmas quotes from the Word. Pull out one quote each day and read it aloud.

Materials Needed

glass jar large enough for a child to put a hand in and reach a slip of paper, *or* a large clear disposable cup

star stickers, old Christmas cards, and silver or gold permanent markers to decorate the outside of the jar

Advent Jar Christmas Quotations scissors

crayons or markers

Directions

- 1. Decorate a jar or plastic cup with star stickers and numbers from one to twenty-four using silver or gold permanent markers. Write "Merry Christmas" or "Happy Christmas" on the jar.
- 2. Decorate the 24 Christmas quotes provided on the *Advent Calendar Jar Christmas Quotations* page.
- 3. Cut the quotes apart.
- 4. Fold each quote in half so the text cannot be seen.
- 5. Put the folded quotes into the jar.
- 6. Keep the jar in a place where it is often passed or easily seen, such as the dining table. Each day, pull one quote out of the jar and read aloud.

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"I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel" (Genesis 3:15).	"The scepter shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh comes; and to Him shall be the obe- dience of the people" (Genesis 49:10).
"The virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel" (Isaiah 7:14).	"I see Him, but not now; I behold Him, but not near; a Star shall come out of Jacob; a Scepter shall rise out of Israel" (Numbers 24:17)
"The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light" (Isaiah 9:2)	"Unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Ever- lasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the in- crease of His government and peace, there will be no end" (Isaiah 9:6-7).
"There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots. The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him, the Spirit of wisdom and under- standing, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord" (Isaiah 11:1-2).	"The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them" (Isaiah 11:6).
It will be said in that day: "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for Him, and He will save us. This is the Lord; we have wait- ed for Him; we will be glad and rejoice in His salvation" (Isaiah 25:9).	Behold, the Lord will come with a strong handHe will feed His flock like a shep- herd; He will gather the lambs with His arm (Isaiah 40:10,11).

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"I will raise to David a Branch of righteous- ness; a King shall reign and prosper, and execute judgment and righteousness in the earth" (Jeremiah 23:5-6)	"I was watching in the night visions, and behold, One like the Son of Man, coming with the clouds of heaven! His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away" (Daniel 7:13, 14).
"But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of you shall come forth to Me the One to be ruler in Israel" (Micah 5:2).	"The Lord, whom you seek, will suddenly come to His temple, even the Messenger of the covenant, in whom you delight. Behold, 'He is coming'" (Malachi 3:1).
Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him" (Matthew 2:1-2).	"Blessed is the Lord God of Israel, for He has visited and redeemed His people and has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of His servant David. Through the tender mercy of our God, with which the Dayspring from on high has visited us; to give light to those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace" (Luke 1:68,69,78,79).
Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And having come in, the angel said to her, "Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women. Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name Jesus. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end" (Luke 1:26-28, 31,33).	[The angel said to the shepherds] "Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord" (Luke 2:11,13,14).
It In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. That was the true Light which gives light to every man who comes into the world (John 1:1-5,9).	Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: After His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Spirit. An angel of the Lord appeared to him [Joseph] in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins. Now all this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the proph- et, saying: "Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and They shall call His name 'Immanuel'" (Matthew 1:18,20-22).

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