



CATHOLIC
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JESSE

Tree

Journey Through Salvation
History This Advent

**DAILY ADVENT TRACKER,
ORNAMENTS & READINGS**



**A SHOOT SHALL COME OUT FROM
THE STUMP OF JESSE, & A BRANCH
SHALL GROW OUT OF HIS ROOTS.**

THE STORY OF THE JESSE TREE

The Jesse Tree takes its name from Isaiah 11:1 **“A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, & a branch shall grow out of his roots.”** The images of the Jesse Tree tell the story of salvation history through people, prophecies, and events that lead up to Christ’s birth.

JOURNEY THROUGH SALVATION HISTORY THIS ADVENT

Each day, follow along as you color the ornaments, read scripture, and track your way on the Advent tree.

HOW TO DISPLAY YOUR JESSE TREE ORNAMENTS

Create a tree with string or lights on an open wall. Use clothespins to hang the ornaments or attach them directly to your family Christmas tree.

Note: Each year Advent is a different number of days. Your Jesse Tree set covers the longest Advent. In a year when Advent is shorter, you may choose to do two ornaments on one day or skip however many are necessary to match the length of Advent.

Supplies needed

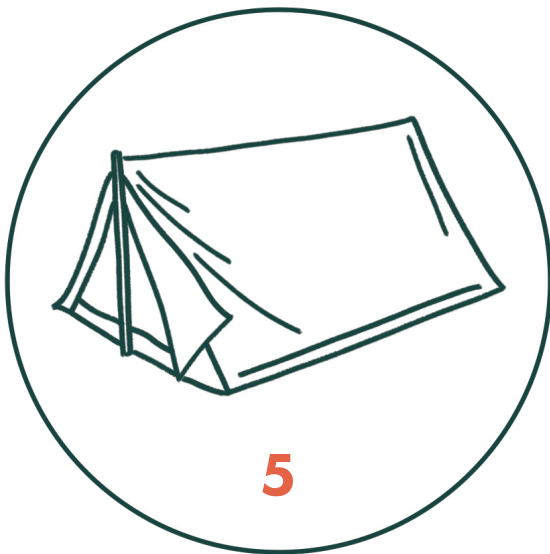
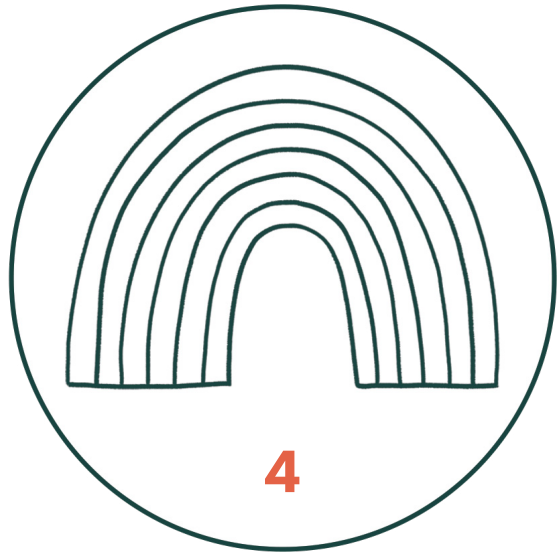
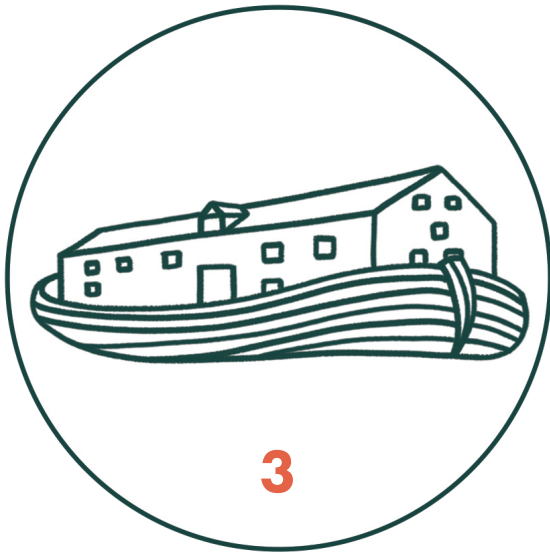
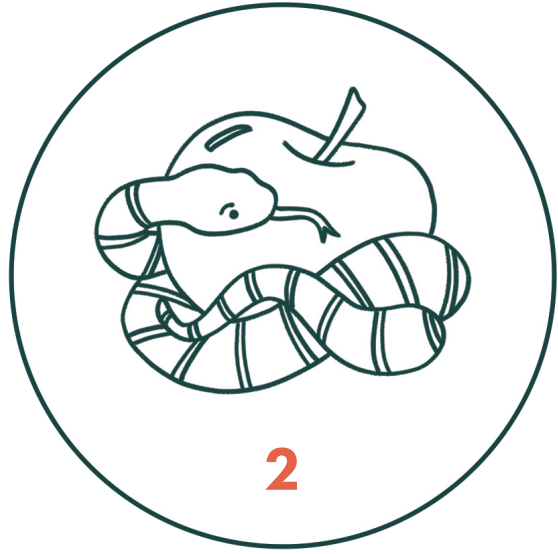
- A Bible
- Cardstock
- A way to hang the ornament (clothespins, ribbon)
- A hole punch
- Markers, crayons, or colored pencils
- A place to hang your ornaments (your family Christmas tree, a tree with string or lights on an open wall, or anything you fancy!)



JESSE Tree TRACKER

Track your progress as you journey through salvation history this Advent:







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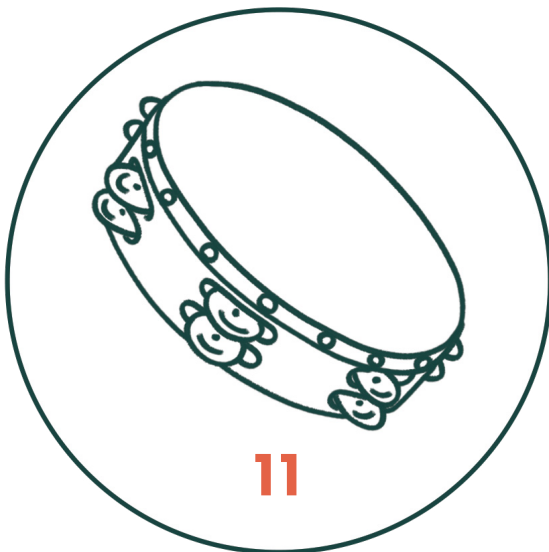
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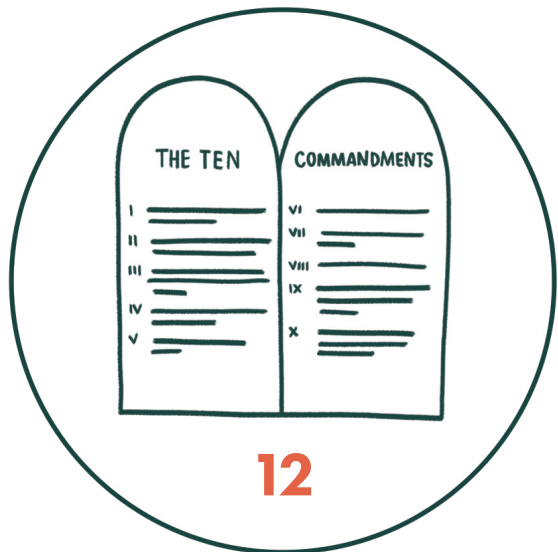
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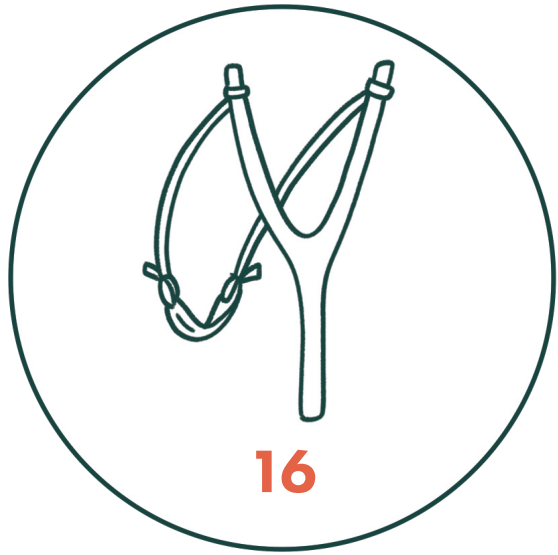
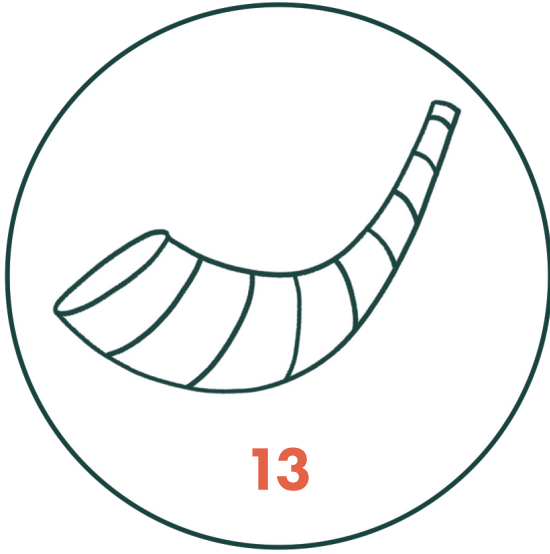
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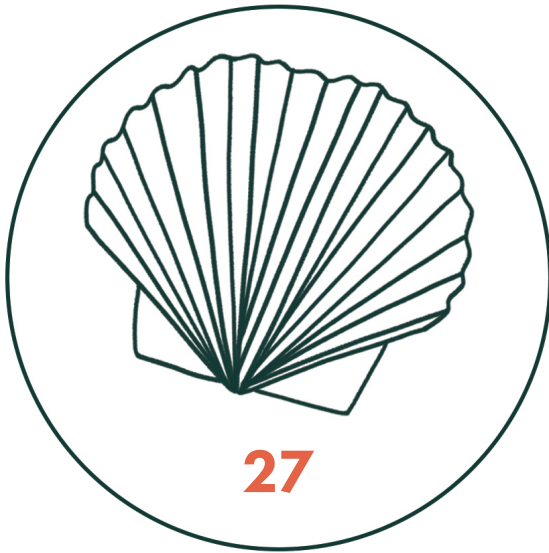
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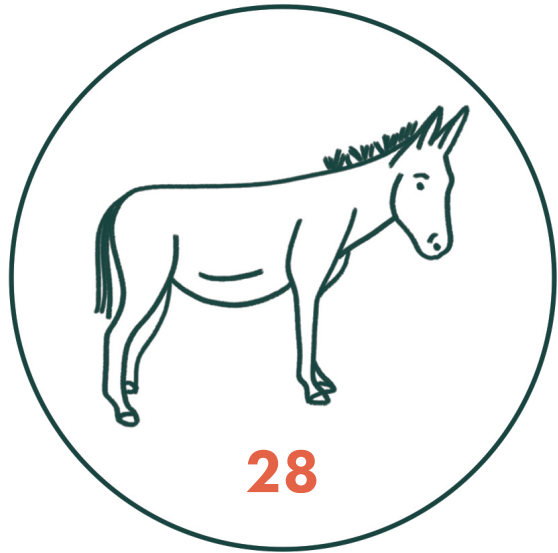
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READING LOG

— DAY 1

Creation

Genesis 1:1-31

The first symbol is creation, reminding us that God created the world and everything in it from nothing. God did this out of love.

— DAY 2

The First Sin

Genesis 3:1-24

God created man and woman and placed them in the garden of Eden. Adam and Eve ate the forbidden fruit. This was the first sin. As a result of their disobedience, God banished them from the garden.

— DAY 3

The Flood

Genesis 6:11-22

Noah and the ark remind us of God's faithfulness and mercy. Although God was displeased with the wickedness of mankind, he saved Noah and his family.

— DAY 4

The Covenant

Genesis 9:8-17

God made a covenant with Noah to never destroy the earth by flood again. Whenever a rainbow appears in the sky, we remember God's promise to all mankind.

— DAY 5

God's Promise to Abraham and Sarah

Genesis 18:1-14

Men of God visited Abraham. He prepared food for them and offered water and rest. They asked for Sarah from the tent and promised she would have a son, despite her old age.

— DAY 6

God Tests Abraham

Genesis 22:1-14

God ordered Abraham to offer his son Isaac as a burnt offering on the mountain. Abraham set out to obey in faith, and God spared Isaac by providing a ram for the sacrifice instead.

— DAY 7

Jacob's Dream

Genesis 28:10-16

Jacob dreamt there was a ladder reaching up to heaven. Angels ascended and descended the ladder, and the LORD promised to be with Jacob always.

— DAY 8

Joseph's Plight

Genesis 37:3-28

Israel gave Joseph a cloak of many colors. Joseph's brothers were jealous of their father's special favor. They stripped him of his cloak and sold him into slavery.

— DAY 9

God Cares for Moses

Exodus 2:1-10

When Moses was born, his mother hid him from the pharaoh. When she could hide him no longer, she set him in a basket and placed him among the reeds on the banks of the river. The pharaoh's daughter found him and kept him as her own.

— DAY 10

God Calls Moses

Exodus 3:1-12

God appeared to Moses in a burning bush. Moses was afraid to look on God, but God said, "I have seen the misery of my people. I have come to deliver them. I will send you to bring my people out of Egypt."



READING LOG

— DAY 11

God's Glory

Exodus 15:20-21

The prophet Miriam took a tambourine in her hand and all the women followed her with tambourines and dancing. Miriam sang, "Sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously..." This was a celebration of God allowing the Israelites to walk through the Red Sea.

— DAY 12

The Ten Commandments

Exodus 20:1-17

The LORD visited Moses and the Israelites on Mount Sinai. He gave Moses the Ten Commandments for all of Israel.

— DAY 13

God's Strength

Joshua 6:1-20

At God's command, Joshua captured the city of Jericho. Holy men marched around the city blowing trumpets made of rams' horn. After seven days of marching, the holy men gave a great shout and the walls of the city came crumbling down.

— DAY 14

True Faith

Ruth 1:1-18

Naomi ordered her widowed daughters-in-law to return to their homes. Ruth clung to Naomi saying, "Where you go, I will go...your people shall be my people, and your God my God." Ruth remains with Naomi, and they harvest grain in the fields together.

— DAY 15

The Shepherd King

1 Samuel 16:1-13

David was a lowly shepherd boy when God called him to lead the nation of Israel. Jesus is our

shepherd and King. He was born from the house of David to Joseph and Mary—a lowly carpenter and his wife.

— DAY 16

David and Goliath

1 Samuel 17:33-51

The Israelites feared the Philistine warrior, Goliath, but David asked to face him in battle. David believed the LORD would save him. David struck down the Philistine with a stone.

— DAY 17

Solomon's Wisdom

1 Kings 3:5-15

The LORD appeared to King Solomon in a dream, offering him whatever he asked. Solomon said, "Give your servant an understanding mind to govern your people." This pleased God, and he not only granted Solomon his request, but also blessed him with a long life filled with honor and riches.

— DAY 18

House of God

1 Kings 5:1-5 and 6:11-14

King Solomon built a temple for the LORD, fulfilling what God said to his father David, "Your son, whom I will set on your throne in your place, shall build the house for my name."

— DAY 19

Prince of Peace

Isaiah 9:6-7

Isaiah prophesied the birth of Christ saying, "For a child has been born for us, a son given to us...and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."



READING LOG

— DAY 20

Shoot from Jesse

Isaiah 11:1-5

Jesse was the father of King David, and from the stump of Jesse a shoot shall come. Jesus is the shoot from the stump of Jesse because he is a descendent of David, fulfilling this prophecy.

— DAY 21

The Suffering Servant

Isaiah 53:1-6

Christ fulfilled the prophecy of the suffering servant in Isaiah when he died on the cross for our sins. "He was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities."

— DAY 22

Daniel in the Lions' Den

Daniel 6:16-23

The king cast Daniel into a den of lions and returned to his palace for the night. God delivered Daniel from the lions and kept him safe through the night because Daniel trusted in the LORD.

— DAY 23

Jonah and the Whale

Jonah 1:1-17

The LORD called Jonah to go to Nineveh, but Jonah fled on a ship. The LORD sent a great wind into the sea and the mariners were afraid. They threw Jonah over the side of the boat, and a great fish swallowed him. Jonah remained in the belly of the whale for three days.

— DAY 24

Hope for the Future

Luke 1:26-38

The angel Gabriel appeared to Mary saying, "Fear not, God has found favor with you. You shall

conceive a son and call him Jesus," and he is our hope.

— DAY 25

Obedience to God

Matthew 1:18-25

Mary was betrothed to Joseph, but before they married, she became pregnant through the Holy Spirit. An angel appeared to Joseph in a dream and told him, "Do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife." Joseph awoke and obeyed God.

— DAY 26

The Visitation

Luke 1:39-45

Mary visited her cousin Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child in her womb leaped, and she was filled with the Holy Spirit.

— DAY 27

John the Baptist

Matthew 3:1-6

John the Baptist prepared the way of the Lord, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This fulfilled the prophecy in Isaiah 40:3 of the voice crying out in the wilderness.

— DAY 28

The Journey

Luke 2:1-7

Mary and Joseph journeyed to Bethlehem to register for the census. While they were there, the time came for Mary to deliver Jesus. She gave birth and wrapped him in swaddling clothes.



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