DIY ORNAMENTS for Unwrapping the Greatest Gift

CRAFT YOUR OWN SET OF JESSE TREE ORNAMENTS to accompany your copy of Unwrapping the Greatest Gift, a family celebration of Christmas

Supplies you will need:

- The Advent Ornaments in this file, printed onto cardstock paper
- 25 4-inch wood slices (for wooden ornaments) OR Construction paper or scrapbook paper (for paper ornaments)
- (these can be found at your local craft store, or purchased online through websites like Amazon, simply search “4-inch wood slices”)
- (this paper will need to be cut into 4.5 or 5-inch circles)
- Mod Podge or craft glue
- Ribbon or twine
- Festive Trim (optional)

OPTION 1: MAKE YOUR OWN wooden ornaments

1) Print the following pages of full-color ornaments onto card stock paper, and cut out each circle along the outside lines. (If you do not have a color printer, you can send or take the PDF file to your favorite local printer (like Staples or FedEx Office) and have them print it for you.)

2) Use Mod Podge or craft glue to glue the image to one side of each wooden disk, and the coordinating verse on the back.

3) Allow it to fully dry. Optional: carefully brush on a layer of Mod Podge or spray with a layer of acrylic sealer over the top of each side to seal it in and protect it.

4) Optional: use hot glue to add trim around the outside edges of the circles

5) Add ribbon or twine to the top of each ornament to hang on your Jesse tree. (You can either drill a small hole through the wood at the top of each disk and pull the twine through it, or you can just use hot glue to attach the ribbon to the top.)

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OPTION 2: MAKE YOUR OWN paper ornaments

1) Print the following pages of full-color ornaments onto card stock paper and cut out each circle along the outside lines. (If you do not have a color printer, you can send or take the PDF file to your favorite local printer (like Staples or FedEx Office) and have them print it for you.)

2) Cut colorful construction paper, cardstock, or scrapbook paper into 5-inch circles (they should be slightly larger than the printed Advent Ornaments).

3) Glue the Advent image to one side of each paper circle, and then glue the coordinating verse on the back.

4) Optional: use hot glue to add trim around the outside edges of the circles

5) Add ribbon or twine to the top of each ornament to hang on your Jesse tree. You can either punch a small hole at the top of each ornament and pull the twine through it, or you can just use hot glue to attach the ribbon to the top.

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December 1
Out of the stump of David’s family will grow a shoot. -Isaiah 11:1

December 2
God created human beings in his own image. -Genesis 1:27

December 3
They hid from the LORD God among the trees. -Genesis 3:8

December 4
Noah found favor with the LORD. -Genesis 6:8
December 5

I will bless you … and you will be a blessing to others. - Genesis 12:2

Count the Stars

December 6

God has brought me laughter.
-Genesis 21:6

The Gift of Laughter

December 7

Abraham named that place
The LORD Provides. - Genesis 22:14

Here I am

December 8

Surely the LORD is in this place, and I wasn't even aware of it! - Genesis 28:16

Climbing Up
December 9

You intended to harm me, but God intended it all for good. - Genesis 50:20

December 10

The LORD said to me, ... "Oh that their hearts would be inclined to fear me and keep all my commands always, so that it might go well with them and their children forever!"

-Deuteronomy 5:28-29

December 11

You must leave this scarlet rope hanging from the window. -Joshua 2:18

December 12

Your people will be my people, and your God will be my God. -Ruth 1:16
December 13

People judge by outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart. -1 Samuel 16:7

Looking at Things Inside Out

December 14

The people who walk in darkness will see a great light. -Isaiah 9:2

A Candle in the Darkness

December 15

How much longer will you waver, hobbling between two opinions? If the LORD is God, follow Him! -1 Kings 18:21

Bowing Down

December 16

Go . . . and deliver the message I have given you. -Jonah 3:2

Turning Around
December 17

You, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, are only a small village. -Micah 5:2

A True Fairy Tale

December 18

I will go in to the see the king. -Esther 4:16

A Bridge to the King

December 19

I will climb up to my watchtower and stand at my guardpost. There I will wait to see what the LORD says. -Habakkuk 2:1

Watch and Wait

December 20

He will prepare the people for the coming of the Lord. -Luke 1:17

God Remembers

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December 21

Prepare the way for the LORD’s coming. - Matthew 3:3

Thunder in the Desert

December 22

Greetings, favored woman!
The Lord is with you! - Luke 1:28

Wide-Awake Dreams

December 23

She will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel, which means “God is with us.” - Matthew 1:23

He Can’t Stay Away

December 24

She ... laid him in a manger, because there was no lodging available for them.

-Kneel at the Manger

-Luke 2:7
December 25

The Savior - yes, the Messiah, the Lord- has been born today! - Luke 2:11

Never-Ending Christmas