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View from My Window Devotions for Advent

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Expectation
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Will you come to our world, God?
Will you come with hope?
For we have too many good intentions,
not enough hopes realized;
too many questions, too little assurance;
too many longings, too few prayers.
O come, O come, Emmanuel. When you come, bring hope.

Will you come to our world, God?
Will you come with peace?
For we have too much brokenness,
not enough wholeness;
too much frantic activity, not enough calm;
too many worries, not enough dreams.
O come, O come, Emmanuel. When you come, bring peace.

Will you come to our world, God?
Will you come with joy?
For we have too much seriousness,
not enough laughter;
too many expectations, not enough celebration;
too many words, not enough singing.
O come, O come, Emmanuel. When you come, bring joy.

Will you come to our world, God?
Will you come with love?
For we have too much loneliness,
not enough friendship;
too many rules, not enough gospel;
too much getting, not enough caring
O come, O come, Emmanuel. When you come, bring love.

Come, Bringer of Hope.
Come, Prince of Peace.
Come, Giver of Joy.
Come, Lover of All people. Come, O Come, Emmanuel.

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