

Advent

How To Celebrate Christmas

Luke 2:8-20, Matthew 2:1-2



Come

- We are invited to come to Jesus regardless of age, geographical location, level of maturity, knowledge of the Scriptures, cultural background, financial status or anything else.
- Shepherds were from the lowest levels of Jewish society.
- Magi were men of wealth and knowledge, professors of the day, men of influence.
- The invitation to come to Jesus is extended to everyone, but it requires us to set aside all our excuses.

Behold

- On the surface there was no difference between the baby Jesus lying in that manger and any other baby.
- We are to stop everything and behold Him who has been “*born the King of angels.*”
- Even angels desire greatly to behold Him.
- Salvation is as much a mystery to the angels as their activities are to us.
- We must spend time beholding Him, theorizing about Him and His birth.

Adore

- Adore means to worship or honor with reverent admiration and devotion.
- You cannot adore Jesus if the only time He really enters your thoughts is on Sunday.
- Adoring implies worship, and worship involves giving not getting.
- What or who we worship determines what we become.



Conclusion

- We cannot improve ourselves to meet God's standard of holiness.
- We must spend time beholding, contemplating, theorizing over the Advent of Christ.
- Behold and adore Christ your Savior and Lord.

