

## ADVENT AT HOME: WEEK 4—LOVE

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The four weeks leading up to Christmas are a special time for God's people to join together in anticipation of Christ's birth. This time is called Advent.

For full instructions on the Advent candles, click [here](#).

Light the fourth Advent candle: Love. This week, you would also light the candles from the previous weeks (Hope, Peace, and Joy).



Have someone say, "This is the fourth week of Advent. We light the candles of hope, peace, and joy from the weeks before. Today, we light the candle of love." Have someone light the candles of hope, peace, joy, and lastly love.

### Dig Deeper

- Talk about the devotion [Advent: A Time of Love](#). You might use the prayer at the end of the devotion together.
- To learn more about what love means in the Bible, read [John 3:16](#) and [Luke 2:8-20](#).
- Ask this question: "**In what ways can we show God's love to others?**" Allow each family member to answer the question, and then have a conversation about what love means to them. After the sharing time, say, "Let's find ways to show our love in Jesus to everyone we meet this week."
- Listen to (or even sing!) a family favorite Christmas carol about love like "Away in a Manger." You can listen to an [Advent playlist on Spotify](#). We also love "[Waiting Songs](#)" by Rain for Roots.

We pray that this practice of participating in Advent gives your family a deep sense of anticipation for Christmas. May God bless you during this special season.

Want to do a deep dive? Check out Family Fire's article [How to Love Well at Christmas](#)

**Editor's Note: The next devotion and parent blog will be sent out December 24 Christmas Eve. Thanks!**

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