

COUNTDOWN to CHRISTMAS



A STICKER ACTIVITY
FOR ADVENT



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This season, enjoy creating your own Advent Wreath centerpiece as we all count down the days until Jesus' birthday together!

The rhyming devotions in this sticker booklet add to the excitement and anticipation by retelling the Biblical account of the prophets, Mary and Joseph, the shepherds and wise men and the Bethlehem angels.

On each Sunday in Advent, a flame-shaped sticker is added to one of the four Advent candles, brightening the Christmas countdown!



Candle 1: HOPE • Isaiah 9:2

I light one candle on my wreath.

The darkness falls away.

I'm hopeful that the Light of God
will be here any day.

I count with hope this Advent
for God's promise has come true.

The Light will shine forevermore;
that makes me hopeful, too.



The Countdown Begins • Genesis 3:1-8

God filled the world with light and life.

But Eve and Adam strayed.

They had to leave their garden home
because they disobeyed.

They felt ashamed of what they'd done.

But there is hope for them
And for us, too—a Savior who
will set things right again.



Counting Patiently • Isaiah 9:6

God's people waited patiently.
They knew a child would come
To rule the world with peace and might.
They waited for God's Son.
God, teach me to be patient, too.
Sometimes it's hard to wait.
I'm hopeful for that baby's birth.
I want to celebrate!



Count on it, Zech! • Luke 1:11-18

The time had come to send a Son.
But is the countdown o'er?
Old Zechariah hears some news
he had not heard before.
His wife will have a child named John.
That boy will point the way.
But Zechariah doubts the news.
"I don't know what to say!"



Silent Counting • Luke 1:19-20

Old Zechariah has some doubts.

Perhaps his faith was weak.

His job was preaching God's good news,
and now he can not speak!

I want to share good news for you.

Lord, open up my mouth

So tidings of your joy and comfort
always may come out.



“Prepare!” • Mark 1:1-3

When John grew up, he shared God's word.

He told the people there,

“The Lord is coming very soon!

God wants us to prepare!”

John's message is for us, as well.

Prepare me, Lord, I pray.

And lead me on your righteous path
today and every day.



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