## THE WONDER OF PRAYER

## ADVENT — LOOKING FOR THE LIGHT



"I, Jesus, have sent my angel to give you this testimony for the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the bright Morning Star."

Christ the Daystar, we long for your light -

- The light of truth for your church, to reveal what is, and to guide us forward.
- The light of hope for all who find themselves in the shadows of trauma or injustice.
- The light of love for those who fear loneliness and isolation at Christmas time.
- The light of peace for Archbishop Justin and his family as they journey through sudden loss and change.

 The light of joy for each of us as we share again the message of your coming.





Jesus, whose coming pierced the darkness of this age with the light of eternity,

Dawn again in the hearts of your people,

That we might reflect your hope,

That we might radiate your joy,

t we might help to light the way to a more just

That we might help to light the way to a more just and more loving world.

Amen.

As you reflect on this contemporary image of Mary and Joseph, consider who might be the Marys and Josephs in your community who are in need of welcome and refuge. What is the precious gift they carry?

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