

# ADVENT

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- ♦ What sticks out and surprises you in this text?
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**What did it mean for them?**

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- ♦ What did you learn about yourself and the world?
- ♦ What questions do you have?

## ➔ DO – Application

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