

# Message Notes

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Behold the Mystery  
Waiting (Matthew 25:1-13)  
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## Advent

- ◆ Advent is a Latin term that means “\_\_\_\_\_” or “\_\_\_\_\_.”
- ◆ Advent is a season of \_\_\_\_\_, longing, expectation, and \_\_\_\_\_.
- ◆ \_\_\_\_\_ = something once concealed, now revealed by God.  
Rom. 16:25-26; Col. 1:26-27, 2:2-3; 1 Tim. 3:16
- ◆ Only by beholding the mystery of \_\_\_\_\_ can we find the peace, hope, joy, and love we are all looking for.

## Waiting

- ◆ Most of life is about \_\_\_\_\_.
- ◆ We don't wait \_\_\_\_\_. We wait \_\_\_\_\_. 2 Pet. 3:11-12
- ◆ If we wait actively, God can use our \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ us.
- ◆ Waiting takes place in the context of our \_\_\_\_\_ lives. Rom. 12:1

*So here's what I want you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life – your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life – and place it before God as an offering. Romans 12:1 (MSG)*

- ◆ We wait in \_\_\_\_\_. Heb. 10:24-25
- ◆ There will be a \_\_\_\_\_. Ecc. 9:14; Ps. 96:13; Mt. 25:31-46; Rom. 14:10-12; 2 Cor. 5:10; Rev. 20:11-15
- ◆ We wait with \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. Ps. 130:1-6
- ◆ We wait with \_\_\_\_\_ while in the \_\_\_\_\_.
- ◆ Some of the \_\_\_\_\_ in the Bible happened in dark places. (Jonah, Jeremiah, Elijah, Israelites, Jesus' birth and resurrection)

*The people who walk in darkness will see a great light. For those who live in a land of deep darkness, a light will shine. Isaiah 9:2*

- ◆ Where do I need \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ right now?

**Psalm 27:14** Wait for the Lord; be strong and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!

**Psalm 37:7a** Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for Him to act.

**Psalm 37:34** Wait for the LORD and keep His way.

**Psalm 40:1-3** I waited patiently for the Lord; He turned to me and heard my cry. He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; He set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand. He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God. Many will see and fear the Lord and put their trust in Him.

**Psalm 130:5** I wait for the Lord, my whole being waits, and in His Word I put my hope.

**Proverbs 20:22** Wait for the LORD, and He will deliver you.

**Isaiah 30:18** Blessed are all those who wait for Him.

**Isaiah 40:31** Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

**Isaiah 49:23** Those who wait for the Lord will not be put to shame.

**Lamentations 3:25-26** The Lord is good to those who wait for Him, to the soul that seeks Him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord.

**2 Corinthians 4:17-18** – For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen.

**Hebrews 9:28** So Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many; and He will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for Him.