

# Advent Sermons

Wake Up!

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## SERMON STUDY QUESTIONS

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### Welcome

- 1) Are you an early riser or a night owl? Has this changed over the years?
- 2) Is Advent familiar to you? What do you know about the season of Advent?

### Word

Read Mark 13:32-37

- 1) What causes people to "get sleepy" in their faith?
- 2) Advent refers to the coming of Jesus. What do we need to do to prepare ourselves for his coming?
- 3) In what ways does Advent cause us to focus on the past, future, and the present?
- 4) Why did the Pharisees miss the coming of Jesus the Messiah?
- 5) What are the things in our culture that have the power to lull us to sleep?
- 6) Which issue is more of a temptation for you:
  - Certitude? (*Thinking you have all the answers and know it all*)
  - Civil Religion? (*Thinking Jesus serves our national interests*)
  - Consumerism? (*Thinking life is about acquiring things*)
- 7) In what ways does Jesus reveal himself in the Eucharist?

### Work

- 1) What can you do this Advent season to look for and seek after Jesus?

### Worship

- 1) Psalm for the Day - Sun: 34 / Mon: 35 / Tue: 36 / Wed: 37 / Thu: 38 / Fri: 39 / Sat: 40
- 2) Pray for each other