

The Arriving King

Questions for Study and Reflection

1. What does Advent mean? What does it mean in the context of Christmas? Do you agree that the Advent of Jesus Christ was the most significant point in human history? Why or why not?
2. What are some things that characterized David's kingship over Israel that are similar to Jesus' kingship? How does David's kingship foreshadow Jesus'?
3. According to Pastor Kevin, what are two main things that Jesus accomplishes in his first Advent? Or, to say it another way, what are two main things that define what Christmas really should be about?
4. Where was Zechariah when he received the vision from the Angel? What is the significance of him receiving the vision in that particular place?
5. What do we celebrate at the first Advent? What about the Second Advent? What two things do the "day of the Lord" signal?
6. Why is it that Christmas was put on December 25 and how does this relate to what the Advent of Christ is really all about?
7. The First Advent fulfills and it foreshadows. What does it fulfill and what does it foreshadow. Why is it important that we consider the First Advent in light of the Second one?
8. What should characterize the spirit of Advent for Christians? Why is this so?