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**“How Shall We Prepare Ourselves For Christmas?”**

**(Luke 3:2-18)**

God’s word often comes from the \_\_\_\_\_! It surprises us ... \_\_\_\_\_ us...embarrasses us, coming from places we least expect!

During this season of Advent, we are \_\_\_\_\_ our hearts to celebrate Christ’s coming.

In light of John’s message, we need to do some other things if we are truly going to be \_\_\_\_\_ for his coming!

Preparation for His coming means:

**1.- \_\_\_\_\_.**

The Bible tells us that God is \_\_\_\_\_!

He is a God of \_\_\_\_\_ and justice!

The world has no concept of the deeper meaning of Christmas, that the holy God has \_\_\_\_\_ our world!

The world desensitizes their own consciences by \_\_\_\_\_ in the sin until the sin no longer \_\_\_\_\_ bad to them!

**2.- A Commitment to \_\_\_\_\_ Living.**

Most people don’t understand repentance as a complete change of \_\_\_\_\_!

It’s not enough to try to \_\_\_\_\_ a few bad habits. What we need is a change of \_\_\_\_\_!

What we need is a new \_\_\_\_\_!

**3.- By Receiving God’s \_\_\_\_\_.**

We throw ourselves on His \_\_\_\_\_!

We depend on His grace to \_\_\_\_\_ us a \_\_\_\_\_ that only He can give!

The good news of Advent: Because of the Christ Child, each of us can make a new \_\_\_\_\_!

That’s why Christ came, to take away our \_\_\_\_\_!

How shall we prepare for His coming?  
Repentance, a Commitment to Righteous Living, and a willingness to Receive His grace and love!

Oh, may we be willing to receive!

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