

WHAT DOES GOD WANT US TO DO?

What are some creative ways to remind ourselves that Jesus is our Counselor, Father, God, and Prince during this Advent season? When we're preparing holiday meals? Shopping? Gift giving? Sledding?

Identify the specific and practical ways Jesus has accomplished your righteousness, your sanctification, and your redemption.

What does God want us to do? Flowing out of our reading and interpretation, what action does this passage or the Spirit's leading, call us to?

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Pastor Matt said, *"Here is the one truth that I know about all of us this Christmas. We all deal with all kinds of uncertainties, brokenness, and heartache. Undoubtedly, you have your own fears, your own struggles, your own trials, and anxieties. And as we head into Christmas this year, you may be trying your best to pretend they are not there. Maybe they are so dark and painful, you can barely admit them to yourself, let alone anyone else. Who could possibly get you through it? Who is able to help you when you cannot even help yourself? Jesus whispers I am."*

Seek the Lord's presence and help this season through any of the "hidden" trials of your life — the ones not many people know about .

In all of your Christmas activities this Christmas season, offer up thanks to God for all of his blessings that are symbolized in your holiday activities.

Ask a non-Christian about the significance of Christmas to him or her. If they reciprocate and ask you, share the Gospel with them (hopefully by building a word-picture bridge with something they just told you).

Focus on one of these three things this week, and meditate on it's significance in your life: your righteousness, your sanctification, or your redemption.

What does God want ME to do? What is the personal application and action step God is calling you, personally, toward?