The prophets awaken an expectation of the coming of the Messiah in people's hearts. In the Advent liturgies, Christians pray for the second coming of Jesus alongside preparing for Christmas. Advent is a time of preparation for Jesus' incarnation at Christmas and for the second coming as King of the Universe.



Prophecy and Promise

Year Four





OUR BIG QUESTION

What are Christians waiting for in
Advent?

REFLECTION

Jesus, as we wait for your coming; help us not to be afraid but to trust in you. As we gather round the wreath, we remember that you bring the light of hope into our lives. May your Word be always in our minds, on our lips and in our hearts.

Amen

KEY VOCABULARY

Advent
prophet Elijah
John the Baptist
Jesse tree
Christ the King

HEAR

1 Kings 17:7-14 1 Kings 19:4-8, 1 Kings 19:9-15 Matthew 3:1-12 Mark 1:1-8 Isaiah 40:3