CEDAR COMMUNITY CHURCH

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Hope within reach!

Devotional Reading Calendar – December 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 John 1	2 John 2	3 John 3	4 John 4	5 John 5	6 John 6
7 John 7	8 John 8	9 John 9	10 John 10	11 John 11	12 John 12	13 John 13
14 John 14	15 John 15	16 John 16	17 John 17	18 John 18	19 John 19	20 John 20
21 John 21	22 Luke 1:1-25	23 Luke 1:26-56	24 Matt. 1	25 Luke 2:1-20	26 Luke 2:21-40	27 Luke 1:57-80
28 Matt. 2	29 Luke 2:41-52	30 Luke 3:1-6 Matt. 3:1-12	31 John 1:1-34			

So it's December! It's Christmas month, and Christmas will soon be here – time to celebrate the birth of the special Baby that was born in Bethlehem about 2,029 years ago! We start our month of devotional reading with John 1:1 – "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." We recognize that this 'Word' was and is Jesus, the Baby that came to us on that first Christmas so long ago. And we'll work our way through the gospel of John, watching the life of Jesus unfold, through John's eyes, and then, as we get into Christmas week, we'll go back and pick up the Christmas passages from the other gospel writers, and finish the month with some of the initiation of Jesus into ministry by his cousin, John the Baptist.

I suggest that as we ease into the new year, we affirm this calling, anointing and initiation of Jesus into His ministry in a personal way – i.e. that as we read how John-the-Baptist affirmed Jesus, at the close of December, we affirm that this Jesus is exactly who John proclaimed Him to be, and personally initiate Him into this position of authority in our personal lives, not letting Jesus be only an icon for our Christmas celebration, but making Him our personal reality, as the Word that was born to us!

Reading about His life reminds me of how important He is to me. I never get tired of wandering along through the life of Jesus, through the eyes and reports of the Gospel writers, and I always learn something new and see something I hadn't noticed before. So come along with me, one more time, as we see and hear the life story of Jesus, our Lord and Savior, and soon-coming King. I'm looking forward to reading these words again, and seeing what the Holy Spirit is gonna whisper to me.

Thanks for joining me, and Merry Christmas!

Shalom,

D. P.