



Impossible Series Overview (designed for Advent)

Prophets are painters. They paint pictures of a time to come when people will be at peace with one another, hope will be made real, and all will shout for joy! Even if that time seems far off, we know it has already begun in Jesus, who is love come down to transform our lives and the world. This Advent season, as we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus, we celebrate how he has made possible what once seemed impossible – peace, hope, joy and love!

Week 1: Peace Made Possible | Isaiah 2:1-5

Jesus invites us into a change of mindset, to be agents of peace, offering us a new possibility for relating to others, a way of peace.

Week 2: Hope Made Possible | Isaiah 11:1-10

Emmanuel, God with us, gives us hope. When we know God through Jesus, we can have hope that one day all will be restored.

Week 3: Joy Made Possible | Isaiah 35: 1-10

God's deliverance of Israel and of us is cause for joyful celebration, not just human celebration but the celebration of all creation!

Week 4: Love Made Possible | Matthew 1:18-25

God shows us unimaginable love by sending Jesus into the world. By choosing to be with us in Christ, God gives us reason to trust that we, too, can love in ways we never dreamt possible.

Christmas Eve: The Impossible Made Possible | Luke 2:1-14 (15-20)

Through the gift of Jesus, God makes the impossible – forgiveness and salvation – possible.

Christmas Day: God Revealed Among Us | Isaiah 9:2-7

The long-awaited Savior comes to us, unexpectedly, as a baby, to reveal God's possibilities in the face of human impossibility.

Week 5 (After Christmas): God Found in Impossible Places | Matthew 2:13-23

God can be found in even the least expected places.