

COME THOU LONG EXPECTED JESUS #1-2
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Come, Thou long-expected Jesus,
Born to set Thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us;
Let us find our rest in Thee

Israel's strength and consolation,
Hope of all the earth Thou art;
Dear desire of every nation,
Joy of every longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver,
Born a child and yet a King,
Born to reign in us forever,
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.

By Thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By Thine all-sufficient merit
Raise us to Thy glorious throne

HOPE
READER

In the darkness we light a flame of hope.

READER

(Light candle while saying)

May this flame of hope dance not only upon our Advent Candle but within each of our hearts as well.

READER

For hope is the flower that blooms from the ground of faith. And this dancing flames sings out that the reign of God is dawning in our world.

READER

May this Advent season that is beginning bring us renewed hope in the ancient promises of our God.

READER

Let us Pray.

Great God of Hope, as we look forward with anticipation to the coming of Christmas, we pray that you might remind us of the hope that is ours in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL # 9
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O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel!

O come, Thou Dayspring, come and cheer
Our spirits by Thine advent here;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadows put to flight.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel!

O come, Desire of nations, bind
All peoples in one heart and mind;
Bid envy, strife, and discord cease;
Fill the whole world with heaven's peace.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel!

PLEASE JOIN ME IN THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader - Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

**Congregation - Blessed is the man to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity
and in whose spirit there is no deceit**

Leader - I acknowledge my sin to thee,

Congregation - And I did not hide my iniquity;

Leader - I said, " I will confess my transgressions to the Lord";

Congregation - Then thou didst forgive the guilt of my sin.

Leader - Therefore let every one who is godly offer prayer to thee;

**Congregation - At a time of distress, in the rush of great waters,
they shall not reach him.**

Leader - Thou art hiding a place for me, thou preservest me from trouble

Congregation - Thou dost encompass me with deliverance.

Leader - I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go;

Congregation - I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

Leader - Many are the pangs of the wicked

Congregation - But steadfast love surrounds him who trusts in the Lord.

Leader - Be glad in the Lord, And rejoice, O righteous,

Congregation - And shout for joy, All you upright in heart!

LET US CONTINUE TO WORSHIP GOD IN SONG.

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His name is called Emmanuel.
God is with us, revealed in us,
His name is called Emmanuel.