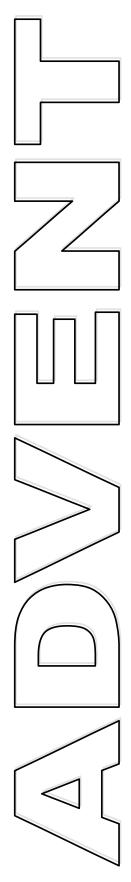




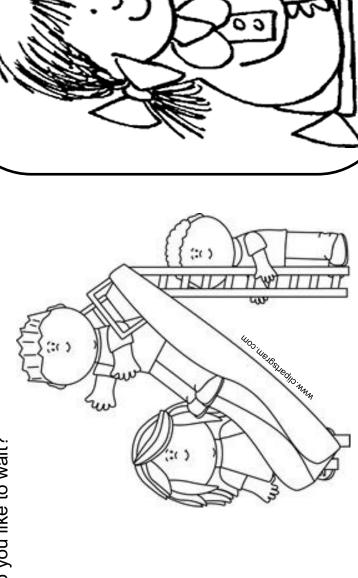
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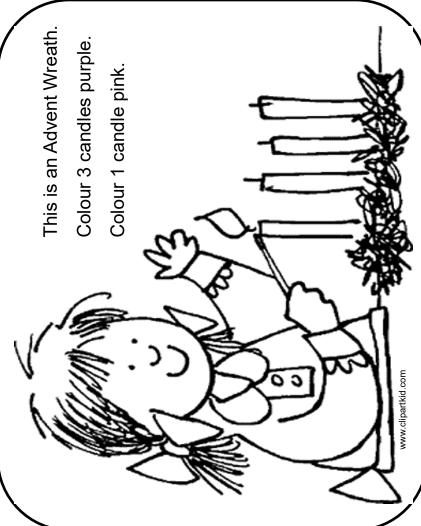
Advent is when we wait for Jesus to come at Christmas. We wait, and pray, and hope.

Do you ever wait for something?

Do you like to wait?

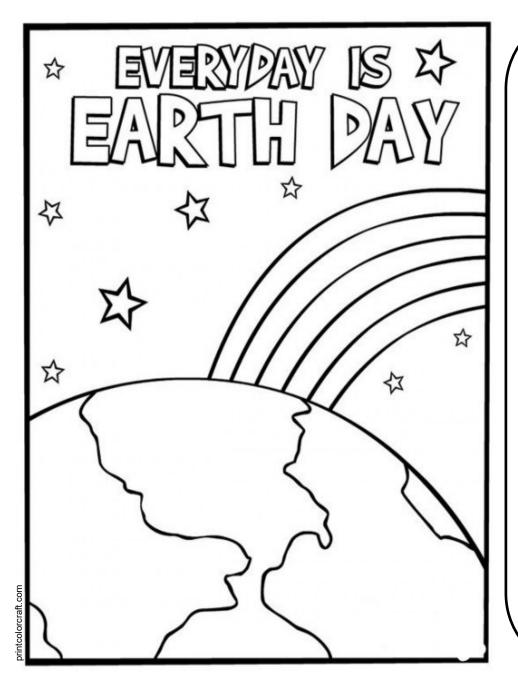


It is not always easy to wait!









This is Pope Francis. He has asked everyone on Earth to take care of our common home. That means help our environment and the poor. How can we do that?

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This is an Advent Calendar. It helps us get ready for Christmas. Can you do these things? Ask your family for help.

1st week of Advent

- 1. Light 1 PURPLE candle on the Advent wreath.
- 2. Say the Advent prayer below.
- 3. Choose 1 toy that you can give to children in need.



2nd week of Advent

- 1. Light 2 PURPLE candles on the Advent wreath.
- 2. Say the Advent prayer below.
- 3. Choose 1 piece of clothing that you can give to children in need.



3rd week of Advent

- 1. Light 1 PINK & 2 PURPLE candles on the Advent wreath.
- 2. Say the Advent prayer below.
- 3. Choose 1 book that you can give away. Find a "little free library" or other place to donate it.



4th week of Advent

- 1. Light all 4 candles on the Advent wreath.
- 2. Say the Advent prayer below.
- 3. Make a card for someone you know. Tell them you love them and you want them to care for the Earth.



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Say this Advent prayer with your family:

Dear God.

Your world is a wonderful and beautiful place. Teach us to love and respect it. Help us learn to care for our common home.

As we wait for Jesus to come at Christmas, help us prepare our hearts so we can live wisely, think deeply, and love generously.

Amen







Dear Pope Francis,

