



# Sermon Study Guide for November 27, 2022

*Our Savior Lutheran Church and School*

**Theme:** Advent Conspiracy: *Worship Fully*

Have you already heard Frosty the Snowman 30 times? Have you seen the ads, the commercials, the hustle and bustle of the Christmas season? Of course, you have. You can't miss it. As we kickoff Advent, let's slow down, and remember the true reason for the season, the one whom we worship fully.

**Getting Started: (sharing with each other)**

1. Have you started your Christmas shopping already...or is it already done?
2. What is your favorite Christmas song?
3. What is your least favorite Christmas song? What is that one song that when it comes on the radio you MUST turn it off?

**In the Word: Leviticus 19:1-2**

4. What does it mean to be holy? What does it mean for God to be Holy?
5. How can we be holy, like God, and strive to be like Him in our lives?
6. **Read 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10** What does it mean to be imitators of Paul and the apostles, and of Jesus?

7. **Read Matthew 22:34-40** What is the greatest commandment? Does our world live as such? Do we always live as such?
  
8. The two commandments summarize the 10 commandments, one having to do with God, the other having to do with our relationships with others. How do these focus us as we live our lives?

**Putting it all Together (what do we believe or do as disciples?)**

9. How can we, like the Thessalonians strive to be imitators of Christ, so that the Lord's message will ring out through us?
  
10. We strive to be like Christ, we will fall short. That doesn't mean we stop trying! What does it look like to worship fully each day of your life?

**Prayer:** Thank God for sending Jesus to the earth to die for our sins. Ask God to give you patience and peace to slow down, and worship Him each day. Glorify God that He is the one ultimately worthy of all of our praise. Ask God to help you live each day worshipping him, so that His message of hope may be spread through your living.

**Next Week:** Advent Conspiracy: *Spend Less*

Do you crave "more"? The world says that we need more stuff – get more, spend more, have more. Jesus teaches us that we find "more" in Him, and that we can loosen our grip on the things of this world. Advent means being counter-cultural and not getting caught up in the frenzy of "more" worldly things. We find our "more" in Christ!