

# Advent – Jesus Homeless by design Philippians 2

## Advent a time for remembering

- God's mind set – Designed by grace
- Sacrifice is at the heart of love – Selfless giving
- God became man – born without a home
- A life of obedience and relationship with His Heavenly Father
- Humbled then glorified
- Recognised and worshipped by everyone
- A life given so that life in all its fullness could be made available to all nations, tribes and tongues. 'The devil works to take the good and bring the bad. Jesus came to destroy the works of the devil.' John Piper 1 John 3:8

## Advent a time for reflection

- What do I grasp hold of that needs to be let go?
- In what areas do I work things to my advantage?
- Humble or proud; self-seeking or kingdom seeking?
- Am I walking in step with the Holy Spirit in obedience and trust?

## Advent a time to re-affirm

- I am loved by God
- God is good and His design is the foundation for life in all its fullness
- The journey to life is humble obedience, sacrificial living
- I have a glorious eternity if I have accepted Jesus as Saviour and Lord.

## Digging Deeper

Read Philippians 2: 1 – 11

1. In what ways does attitude impact how we live?
2. In what ways does your attitude impact on:
  - a. Your relationships in your family?
  - b. Your relationships in PBC?
  - c. Your engagement with the ministries at PBC?
3. Read John 3:16 'God so loved the world' In what way did God demonstrate his love for the world and how did Jesus demonstrate that through his life, death and resurrection?
4. What does Philippians 2: 5 – 11 teach about the essence of love?
5. What do we need to let go of rather than grasp as a church family?
6. What does it look like to be a 'Kingdom' seeking people?
7. In what areas of life can I look to work things to my advantage?
8. Paul writes 'In you relationships with one another, have the same mind set (attitude) as Christ Jesus.' In what ways can we help to influence one another's mindset?