

“Prepare Ye the Way”
2 Advent
Philippians 1:9
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(light two candles) Today is the second Sunday of Advent. Prepare Ye The Way!

The Potatoes have their Christmas Tree up already. Do you? At my house, we will put it up soon! Haman has been busy looking at the growing pile of wrapped presents under the tree.

Since no one is looking, Haman picked up the one box and shook it to see if it rattled. Maybe it is the toy he asked Santa for. He talked with Santa in person at the mall yesterday and here today this gift appeared.

“Hmmm” teased Haman as Polly came into the room. “I think there are more presents for me than there are for you!”

“That’s not true! I counted them!” snapped Polly.

“But mine are bigger!” retorted Haman. Polly pouted. (This is how you pout . . . but I expect you already know that!)

“Move aside there Tater Tots,” bustled Mr. Potato Head. “I’m here to water the tree!”

“Haman, stop teasing your sister!” said their mother Mrs. Potato Head. “And wash your hands and help Polly set the table. Polly, you were supposed to be folding the napkins!” And then Mrs. Potato Head said to her husband “You know we are having the Cows for dinner. It’s time to go get your mother at the Retirement Home and bring her here. We must get everything in order. NOW, Haman, wash your hands! And someone, pick up these toys from the floor!”



Everyone got busy with preparation.

Now, you might think that Preparing The Way means to have all of these things ready for Christmas. All these things are really very, very nice. I have them in my house and I bet some of you have them in your house.

But you know, Christmas Trees and wrapped presents and Advent Wreaths all these things are NOT what God calls us to prepare.

God calls us to prepare our heart. Prepare Ye The Way means to prepare our Heart and our Life for Christ to come.

What if, WHAT IF you found out that Jesus was coming to your house tonight? Jesus, the actual man, the actual God, would walk through your front door and talk to you and your family.

Wow, I think the Potatoes might stop teasing and pouting and bossing each other. Preparing is not about watering the tree or counting the presents or setting the dinner table. Preparing is about showing LOVE when we water the tree and showing LOVE when we prepare dinner. It is about LOVE.

The 2nd Bible lesson today says “I pray that you may overflow with LOVE in the day of Christ.” Prepare Ye the Way with LOVE for Christ’s coming!

THE END (blow out candle)