



We are in the season of advent, the season of waiting and hoping, waiting and hoping for God. Waiting and hoping for the second coming of Jesus. As much as we are waiting and hoping for God can you imagine how much more God is waiting and hoping for each of us. Waiting and hoping that we will turn to Him during this graced season of Advent. We have heard so often of God's love. Do you ever think of God's love searching for you? Longing for you and waiting for you.

Do we not complain sometimes that God is hiding from us? But if our hearts had not known the burden of sin we would never have wanted to hide from Him. We would be open hearted, unafraid and ready to walk with God. And then God asks a question; where are you? He is the one who begins the search. Does this make sense to us? We think of ourselves as searching for God and forget that it is He who is searching for us. Why should He bother to do so? It is simply that He cares for you and me.

Jesus is inviting us to come out of hiding in darkness and walk with Him through in all situations in our lives. His suffering has earned, for us, the forgiveness of our sin. Where am I? This is a question that we may be asking ourselves as the dark part of the entire world we are shaping is making us fearful. where are we indeed? Have we ignored God's word on the difference between good and evil? Are we willing to come out of the dark place in which we are losing ourselves?

During this time of advent let us ask ourselves is there anything keeping us from God? Is it any kind of sin which is separating us from God? During this season of waiting for the second coming of Jesus can we also look into our hearts and turn from sin to God - asking forgiveness. Let us prepare a way for the Lord with hope, faith and yearning to welcome him with hearts full of joy and peace.

