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Lectionary for Nov. 27

- **Isaiah 2.1-5**
- **Psalms 122**
- **Romans 13.11-14**
- **Matthew 24.36-44**



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Elements of the Last Days:

- **God** will be exalted as supreme over all other gods - the mountain of the Lord's temple will be established as the highest mountain
- **Gentiles** will come to **God** in order to learn from **Him** and to follow **His** ways - nations will stream to mountain of **God**; let us go up to the mountain of **God**...so that we may walk in **His** paths
- **God** will rule over the nations resulting in peace on the earth - **God** will judge between the nations; nation will not take up sword against nation



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- **God will be exalted as supreme over all other gods - the Father exalts Jesus as King and Lord of all**
- **Philippians 2.9-11:** Therefore, God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the



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- **Gentiles** will come to **God** in order to learn from **Him** and follow **His ways** - **Jesus** will draw **Jew/Gentile** to **Himself** and will teach all the ways of **God**
- **John 12.32** - **And I**, when I am lifted up will draw all people to **Myself**.
- **Matthew 11.28-30**: **Come** to me, all you who are weary and burdened...take my yoke upon you and learn from me...for my yoke is easy and my burden is light.



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- **God will rule over the nations and peace will result - Jesus both teaches and empowers us to love our enemies**
- **Matthew 5.39-45:** But I tell you, do not resist an evil person. If anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to them the other cheek also. And if anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, hand over your coat as well. If anyone forces you to go one mile, go with them two miles... I tell you, love your enemies and pray for



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Come let us walk in the light
of the Lord this Advent

- Let us exalt Jesus above all other gods - we are not necessarily tempted by the gods of other religions, but by the gods of our culture: wealth, busyness, social status, etc.
- Let's live at peace with others - as much as it depends on you live at peace with all people; is there anyone in your life for whom you would find it difficult to celebrate God's blessing?



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- Let us learn from Jesus - take you area of greatest need currently and ask Jesus how to live like Him in that circumstance
 - Marriage is strained - teach me how to love my spouse
 - Loved one doesn't know Jesus - teach me how to be a witness to my dad
 - Struggling at work - teach me how to honor my boss, be content in this situation