

## Devotional

## O Come Emmanuel

Week of December 20, 2020

The practice of various Christians down through the centuries has been to sing, reflect, and meditate on the *O Antiphons*. I have never done it before, but will this year, and I invite you to do so, as well.

This can be a hectic week. Find some time each day to meditate on a name of Christ as prophesied by Isaiah and pray to God With Us – Emmanuel.

### O Wisdom

Isaiah 11:2-3, 28:29

O Wisdom, coming forth from the mouth of the Most High,  
reaching from one end to the other,  
mightily and sweetly ordering all things:  
Come and teach us the way of prudence.

### O Adonai (O Lord)

Isaiah 11:4-5, 33:22

O Adonai, and leader of the House of Israel,  
who appeared to Moses in the fire of the burning bush  
and gave him the law on Sinai:  
Come and redeem us with an outstretched arm.

### O Root of Jesse

Isaiah 11:1, 10

O Root of Jesse, standing as a sign among the peoples;  
before you kings will shut their mouths,  
to you the nations will make their prayer:  
Come and deliver us, and delay no longer.

### O Key of David

Isaiah 22:22, 9:7, 42:7

O Key of David and scepter of the House of Israel;  
you open and no one can shut;  
you shut and no one can open:  
Come and lead the prisoners from the prison house,  
those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death.

### O Morning Star

Isaiah 9:2

O Morning Star,  
splendor of light eternal and sun of righteousness:  
Come and enlighten those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death.

### O King of Nations

Isaiah 9:6, 2:4, 64:8

O King of the nations, and their desire,  
the cornerstone making both one:  
Come and save the human race,  
which you fashioned from clay.

### O Emmanuel (O God With Us)

Isaiah 7:14

O Emmanuel, our king and our lawgiver,  
the hope of the nations and their Savior:  
Come and save us, O Lord our God.

*Prayers and blessings for a Merry Christmas!*