Plenty Good Room

An Advent Reflection

Advent is the season of holy anticipation. We light candles in the dark, trusting that God's promised light will break into the world. We listen to prophets and angels who remind us that God is preparing a place among us, and that all creation is invited to receive the gift of Emmanuel, God with us.

The spiritual Plenty Good Room proclaims this truth with joy: there is already a place prepared, a seat waiting at the table of God's kingdom. As the chorus sings, "just choose your seat and sit down." Advent's promise is not only that Christ will come again, but that even now, God is making space for each of us in the circle of love.

Too often we believe the lie of scarcity – that there is not enough time, not enough money, not enough hope, not enough room. Advent overturns this fear. Mary sings that the hungry will be filled, that the lowly will be lifted up. John the Baptist cries out that valleys will be raised, mountains made low, rough places smoothed into a highway for our God. Advent tells us that there is always enough room when God is at the center.

To prepare for Christ's coming is to build bigger tables, not higher walls. It is to set one more place, to widen the circle, to remember that generosity is not diminished by sharing; it multiplies. God has already shown us this pattern: creation itself is an act of divine abundance, and our calling is to reflect that generosity in our lives.

This Advent, as we prepare our hearts and our homes for the arrival of Christ, let us also prepare our church for Christ's mission. Every prayer, every gift, every pledge of support becomes part of the banquet God is spreading before us. There is plenty good room – for you, for me, for all God's children

Come, Lord Jesus. Make your home among us, and help us make room for one another.

"Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you." – Isaiah 60:1 tENS.org

Questions for Reflection:

How do you recognize Generosity in your life?



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