



Week 2: Make Room for God's Presence

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1 Peter 5:6-7 (NIV)

2. **Make room for the** _____.

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John 13:35 (AMP)

3. **Make room to** _____ **Him.**

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Discussion Questions

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2. Where and when in your day can you make room to worship God? What would that look like?
3. What practices / habits can you engage in daily through this season of Advent that would cultivate experiencing God's presence?

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