



## Pick N Mix Family Activities The Second Sunday of Advent 6<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Read Mark 1.1-8

*You may like to use this material as a basis for discussion in your family.*



Just imagine what it would have been like to meet John the Baptist, wearing camel skins instead of ordinary clothes, and eating locusts. Imagine him shouting at you, telling you that you need to say that you are sorry for the bad things you have done in the past and you need to behave well in the future. I'm sure that I would have been scared of him, and perhaps in awe of him. But he must have been an excellent speaker because so many people went into the desert to hear him and were baptised in the River Jordan.

Each person who went to see John had to say "I'm sorry" before they were baptised.

Have you ever had to say sorry for something serious?

It's not always easy to say sorry – and mean it!

It's not always easy to forgive someone who says sorry to you. Can you think of an occasion when you had to try and forgive someone who had upset you?

We know that God always forgives us when we say sorry – no matter what we have done.

John was a messenger from God. God was speaking through John. He used the power of his voice and his strong personality to get his message across to people. How many different forms of communication can you think of that we use today to get messages to other people? What's your favourite form of communication? What would you use if you had to pass on a message like John the Baptist?

John the Baptist told people that Jesus would be coming to them, but they had to be patient and wait for him. During Advent we have to be patient and wait for Jesus to come to us, in his birth at Christmas.

### Activity

- Angels are messengers from God. Make an angel from a paper plate then decorate it with felt pens and glitter. Display your angel to remind you of God's message of love.



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## **Prayer**

*(This prayer reminds us that God is present in all aspects of our lives)*

God be in my head, and in my understanding.

God be in my eyes, and in my looking.

God be in my mouth, and in my speaking.

God be in my heart, and in my thinking.

God be at my end, and in my departing. Amen.