



“Rescued” Advent Retreat Reading Plan

How can we believe and be transformed by the gospel? Once we understand that the gospel is not merely “good” news but explosive, life-changing news, we will never be the same again. And in response to God’s work in our lives, what part can we play in recreating the world for God’s good plan? In this powerful book, Fr. John Riccardo helps us to see the world through God’s lens, with a clear vision of the plot and the outcome of the story we’re living in.

Day One: Forward and Introduction “God Wants His World Back” – Pages 7-16

Day Two: Chapter 1: The Whole Story (pages 17-26)

Part I: Created – Ask for the grace of an encounter with him, and the graces of wonder and trust.

Day Three: Chapter 2: In the Beginning (Pages 27-38)

Day Four: Chapter 3: The Uniqueness of the Genesis Creation Story (pages 39-49)

Day Five: Chapter 4: God’s Grandeur and Reckless Love (pages 50-57)

Part II: Captured - Ask for the grace of despair

Day 6: Chapter 5: What the Hell Happened? (pages 59-63)

Day 7: Chapter 6: Enemy Territory (pages 64-73)

Day 8: Chapter 7: The Enemy’s Root Strategy and Tactics (pages 74-81)

Day 9: Chapter 8: Satan’s Goal for Your Life? Destruction (pages 82-92)

Part III: Rescued – Ask for the grace of unshakeable confidence in Jesus as Lord of heaven and earth.

Day 10: Chapter 9: Unshakeable Confidence (pages 94-98)

Day 11: Chapter 10: Why Did Jesus Come? (pages 99-105)

Day 12: Chapter 11: What Was Jesus Doing on the Cross? (pages 106-112)

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Day 16: Chapter 13: What Difference Does It Make (Continued) (pages 130-137)

Day 17: Chapter 14: The Heart of the Gospel (pages 138-142)

Part IV: Response – Ask for the graces of gratitude, surrender and courage

Day 18: Chapter 15: Our Personal Response to Jesus: Gratitude, Surrender, and Courage (pages 144-151)

Day 19: Chapter 15: Our Personal Response to Jesus: Gratitude, Surrender, and Courage (pages 152-159)

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Day 21: Chapter 16: The Mission Response (pages 168-172)

Day 22: Chapter 17: Helping God Get His World Back (pages 173-180)