

**Worship Fully
Spend Less
Give more
Love all**

Worship Fully. It starts with Jesus. It ends with Jesus. This is a season where we are called to put down our burdens and lift a song to our God. It's the party of the year! Enter this season with a passion to worship Jesus to the fullest.

Spend Less. Ok it's not about becoming Scrooge. We all like gifts. But do you know we spend an average of \$450 billion a year every Christmas? What if we buy one less gift this Christmas? Just one.

Give More. God's gift to us was a relationship built on love. No wonder we're drawn to the idea that Christmas should be a time to love our friends and family in the most memorable ways possible. Time is the real gift Christmas offers us, and that can't be found at a shopping mall.

Love all. When Jesus loved, he loved in ways never imagined. Though rich, he became poor to love the poor, the forgotten, the overlooked and the sick. He played to the margins. By spending less at Christmas we have the opportunity to join him in giving resources to those who need help the most.

Advent Conspiracy is a movement calling us to proclaim Christ in how we celebrate Christmas.

Let us reclaim the true meaning of this season.

Let us rethink the ways in which we celebrate Christmas.

Let us proclaim to all the power of one little baby being born to change the world.

Let us enter the Advent Conspiracy.

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For more information on the ministries we are supporting visit:

www.urbanpromise.com

www.scottmission.com

www.usrc.ca



**Let's Rethink
how we do
Christmas**

WE DARE YOU to

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Christmas can [still] change the world.

The story of Christ's birth is a story of promise, hope, and a revolutionary love.



So what happened?

What was once a time to celebrate the birth of a saviour has somehow turned into a season of stress, traffic jams and shopping lists.

And when it's all over, many of us are left with presents to return, looming debt that will take months to pay off, and this empty feeling of missed purpose. Is this what we really want out of Christmas?

What if Christmas became a world-changing event again?

Welcome to Advent Conspiracy.

We want to challenge and provide an opportunity for YOU, TCBC to give intentionally this year. This means to give with purpose and not out of obligation. To give out of the excess that we have to someone who really needs it. Our desire is to get us all involved in community living as well as following and worshipping fully in the unselfish ways that Jesus gave.

Throughout the months of November and December we will be offering you the opportunity to meet the needs of three organizations within our community—Scott Mission, Urban Promise Toronto and University Settlement.

How does this work?

Goals will be sent out bi-weekly for different organizations.

Needed items are donated.

Volunteers (like you) collect them.

A HAND MADE Christmas card is given for each donation with an insert indicating the generous gift that was given so that donors can let that special someone know that a gift has been given on their behalf.

Volunteers will bring the gifts to their respective organizations to be distributed.

How can you get involved?

Pray for this initiative.

Tell others about it.

Get involved in the coordinating of items, in making cards or in driving donations to the appropriate ministries.

Support it by donating items.

Rethink your approach to Christmas! Visit www.rethinkingchristmas.com for creative ideas in how you can celebrate Christmas differently this year.

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