

TIP! Use these ideas (and cut-outs) for the remaining days in your Countdown to Christmas Calendar. Printables for several of these activities are provided in Part 6. These provided activities are marked with an asterisks (*).

10 minutes

Read a Christmas book aloud.

Pick a favorite Christmas song or CD to listen to in the car today.

Give an early Christmas gift to your children. (Ideas include a new Christmas CD or movie, Christmas socks, special treats or candy.)

Hide a special gift or note under each child's pillow or bed so they find it in the morning or before bed.

Enjoy a special Christmas treat today like candy canes.

Call a friend or relative and wish them a Merry Christmas.

Give your mail carrier or local delivery person a Christmas card or warm drink.

Pay for the person's meal or drink behind you in line at the drive-thru and ask that they be wished Merry Christmas.

Count how many Christmas cards are in the mail.

See who in the family can pick out the best Christmas themed outfit.

Read Luke 2 together.

Make hot chocolate.

Complete the What I Love About Christmas printable.*

Send someone an Everyday Emmanuel Christmas card.*

Part 5: Activities for the Countdown to Christmas Calendar