

Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (C.C.D.)

Level 6

Wednesday, 29 November 2017

Advent (coming to) SUNDAY, 3 DECEMBER 2017: THE FIRST SUNDAY of ADVENT This is a season of joyful preparation for the season of the *Incarnation*, the Birth of Jesus, the Son of God, the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity.

God led the family of Jacob, Israel, into Egypt to protect them from famine, poverty, and death. Joseph saved them.

Jacob's family became honored in Egypt. Egypt became divided into two kingdoms. Then they reunited, and a new pharaoh came into power. He did not look upon the Israelites as guests. He feared them and their reproduction.

He turned them into slaves. They worked long hours and were not able to worship their one, true God. Their lives became unbearable,

EXODUS : The Biblical description of the Israelites' departure from slavery in Egypt to freedom.

Think for a moment about slavery.

Hebrews:

Pharaoh's Order: "Throw them into the river."

Moses' mother _____

Moses' crime:

Moses' vision in the desert

"I AM,"

Yahweh: ever-present to the people: existence itself

Adonai: my Lord