

## **WAITING – Advent Meditation**

[Adapted – *Cloth for the Cradle*. Iona Community. Wild Goose Worship Group]

**Reader 1:** I am a wise man looking for a sign.

I believe that the world is meant to be a fairer place and that I should help to change it. I have access to people of power and authority but I am not sure how to use my influence.

Pray for me and for all other influential ones who are waiting for a sign. *[pause]*

On God alone I wait silently...

**Reader 2:** I am everywoman and everyman. In my loneliness, I am waiting to be visited; in my uncertainty, I am waiting to be reassured; in my happiness, I am waiting for a deeper fulfillment; in my soul, I am waiting to be wanted.

Pray for me, and for yourself, for we are all waiting. *[pause]*

On God alone I wait silently...

**Reader 3:** I am the Lord your God. I have waited on you, and have heard your prayer.

Now is the right time, and I am coming soon.

So, prepare a way in the desert, a cradle in the hay, a meeting place in the marketplace, a table in an upstairs room, a cross on a hill, a grave in a garden, a throne in your heart as in heaven.

For now again, I will bend down and remember you.

I will answer your prayer, and your waiting will end in joy.

*[ pause ...2 seconds]*

Reader 1 and 2: On God alone I wait silently...