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# “The Anticipation of Hope”

Five vertical bars of varying heights and widths, each with a different pattern: purple with white circles, blue with white chevrons, light blue with white swirls, dark blue with white herringbone, and blue with white wavy lines. They are arranged symmetrically around the central text.

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— Season of Advent —

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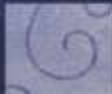
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1. Idolatry
2. Altars to foreign gods
3. Sacrificing his children
4. Alliances with Assyria
5. Disregard for the prophet Isaiah
6. Defiling the Temple
7. Social Injustice
8. Ignored the Law
9. Failed Leadership
10. Neglect of Prophetic Counsel



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