

Worship Service December 15, 2019 Pastor Bruce Adrian

The Expected One

Lesson Two • Isaiah 9:1-7

The Hope of the Savior

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God promises to rescue us from <u>DARK DESPAIR</u> by a Savior who will rule forever with justice and righteousness.

For to us a Child is born, to us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulder, and His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of His government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over His kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore.

The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this. Isaiah 9:6-7

Hope in the Midst of Doom and Gloom

The promise of the Savior's coming brought <u>LIGHT</u> instead of darkness and JOY instead of anguish.

But there will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time He brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time He has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone. Isaiah 9:1-2

You have multiplied the nation; You have increased its joy; they rejoice before You as with joy at the harvest, as they are glad when they divide the spoil. For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For every boot of the tramping warrior in battle tumult and every garment rolled in blood will be burned as fuel for the fire. Isaiah 9:3-5

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1. The Savior Is MIRACULOUS in How He Came!

How Did He Come?

- Jesus Christ came in earthly <u>HUMANITY</u>.
- Jesus Christ came in heavenly DEITY.

2. The Savior Is MAJESTIC in Who He Is!

Who Is He?

- As the Wonderful Counselor, Jesus Christ is the <u>SOURCE</u> of wisdom—trust Him.
- As the Mighty God, Jesus Christ EMPOWERS us to do His will—follow Him.
- As the Everlasting Father, Jesus Christ LOVES us endlessly—run to Him.
- As the Prince Of Peace, Jesus Christ <u>RECONCILES</u> us while we are still sinners—receive Him.

3. The Savior Is MIGHTY in What He Will Do!

What Will He Do?

- Jesus Christ will rule COMPLETELY.
- Jesus Christ will rule ETERNALLY.
- Jesus Christ will rule POWERFULLY.

The Hope of the Savior Is God's Gift to US!

Jesus Christ is a gift from God to us, and this gift requires a response: you must receive Him by faith.

For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given... Isaiah 9:6

But as many as received Him [Jesus], to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name. John 1:12

"For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16