



the Promised One

Isaiah 9:1-7


As you read Isaiah 9 you find yourself in a time that by choosing their own way rather than God's has left Israel plunged into darkness. Their actions have left them separated from God and alone. Yet, this is not where God intends to leave them. A Promised one will come. He will bring light and hope with him. He will be called, Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. We live in a time where the Promised One has come and he will come again.

GETTING STARTED

Do you consider yourself more as a patient person or an impatient person?

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

Read the following Scriptures together and then use the questions below (or any you wish to add) to discuss the text and unpack its meaning.

 Have someone in your group read **Isaiah 9:1-7**

- God's people were experiencing grief and despair as a conquered people living in exile.
What is the promise of Isaiah 9:3–5 for them?

- How would that promise be fulfilled?
- What does this passage tell us about the plan and purpose of God?
- What does this passage tell us about the character of the Messiah?

GETTING PRACTICAL

1. This prophecy written in Isaiah was given to God's people living in exile. What are some shared experiences that we have with them?
2. How does the description of the promised Messiah give you hope?
3. Which of the characteristics of the Messiah do you find most needed in this season? Which do you find most encouraging?
4. What are some of the ways that you seek to experience peace this season?