



## Going Deeper into “Hope for the Holidays” – Isaiah 9:1-2, 6-7

**The northern tribes of Israel were in a dark time during Isaiah’s ministry, but God gave them hope to cling to in the promises found in Isaiah 9. Similarly, God gives us hope to cling to in our dark times.**

Look up the following passages: John 3:16; Romans 8:1; Romans 8:38-39; Hebrews 13:5; James 1:5; James 1:12; 1 John 1:9; 1 John 1:14.

Which of these promises speak to you in whatever season you’re in now?

Find someone who is in a dark time this holiday season and encourage them by giving them a hopeful word to cling to.

**The child who Isaiah prophesied about as having a glorious kingdom and name is none other than Jesus, our Lord and Son of God.**

Jesus has many titles: Son of God, Son of man, Lord, Messiah/Christ (“anointed one”). Pick one of these names during this Advent season and look it up in the Bible to see where and how it is used.

Based on your study, what does this name tell you about Jesus?

Share what you learned with one other person this Advent season.

***Please pray: Father, I praise you for your grace of sending us hope in the person of Jesus. Help me to cling to him and the promises that are mine when things get dark for me. Help me to find joy in meditating on who He is. Amen.***