

LIGHT REVEALED (WEEK 1)

December 7th, 2025

MESSAGE RECAP

Christmas is the story of God bringing light into dark places. Isaiah 9 describes a people living in “deep darkness”—a region marked by suffering, fear, and hopelessness. Some were walking in darkness through drifting choices; others were living in darkness because it was all they had ever known. Into this bleak landscape, God promised that a great light would one day dawn. That light would come in an unexpected form: a child... Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Centuries later, Jesus intentionally moved into this very region—Zebulun and Naphtali—fulfilling Isaiah’s prophecy. He stepped straight into the darkness to reveal God’s love, healing, and hope.

GROUP DISCUSSION

1. How are you...really?
2. Read Isaiah 9:1–2
3. Isaiah describes people “walking in darkness” and “living in the land of deep darkness.”
 - a. Which description resonates more with you right now? Why?
 - b. What kinds of “darkness” do people experience today (emotional, spiritual, relational)?
4. Read Isaiah 9:6
 - a. Which title of Jesus (Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace) feels most needed in your current season?
 - b. How might leaning into that aspect of Jesus bring light to your situation?
5. Read Matthew 4:12-16
 - a. Why is it significant that Jesus chose to begin His ministry in a region known for darkness, danger, and spiritual confusion?
6. If Christmas is about God breaking into darkness, what would celebrating Christmas differently look like for you this year?