



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THIS POINT IN GOD'S STORY?

We've read and talked about so many of the stories in the Old Testament that show God's plan for His people. They've shown how MUCH God loves us . . . and how He planned to bring His Son to earth to save us. Today, we're going to skip to the book of Isaiah and read some verses that we believe talk about Jesus. The book of Isaiah was written six-seven hundred years before Jesus was born, but the people were already looking forward to Jesus' arrival. This was especially true during the time of Isaiah because things were hard for God's people during this time.

BIBLE READING

Isaiah 9:2 and 9:6

John 8:12

WHAT DO THOSE VERSES TELL US ABOUT GOD?

It's amazing to think that God was giving people the hope of Jesus SO many years before He was born. We read about Jesus as the "light" in the New Testament in several places, especially in the book of John. The whole first chapter of John talks about Jesus being the light and the light shining in the darkness. And then in John 8:12, Jesus calls Himself the light when He says "I am the Light of the World."

So, God was sending Jesus to bring Light to a Dark world. And in addition to be the Light, he would be ALL the other things that He is described as in Isaiah 9:6. No wonder God's people waited and watched for Him anxiously for another six hundred years of so!

PRAYER

Dear God, Thank you for sending your Light into the Darkness by sending your Son to earth. In Jesus name, Amen.



