

**December 4, 2022**

God's Gift Shines in the World

Isaiah 9:1-7

God called Isaiah to preach in extremely difficult time. It was defined by evil, turmoil, national unrest, and rampant sin. This created a hopelessness situation for the people of Israel. They could not escape the darkness. In this atmosphere, Isaiah preached a message of hope. A message proclaiming God's light would shine deep into the darkness.

**Additional Verses:**

Isaiah 40:27-31

Matthew 11:25-40

1 John 5:4-5

**Outline:**

1. God's light overwhelms darkness.

2. God's light overtakes distress.

3. God's light overpowers defeat.

**Study Questions:**

1. What darkness do you see in the world today? How can Jesus' light shine into the darkness?

2. How does Jesus break the yoke of sin and oppression? With what does He replace it?

3. How do we have victory over the world?

4. How does Christmas remind you that Jesus shines in the world today?

5. How is the Holy Spirit leading you to respond to God today?