

Mighty God

Israel's Miserable Outlook & Distress (8:21-9:1; cf 7:1-8:20; 2 Kings 15-16; 2 Chron 28)

1. Defeated & Disgraced
2. Besieged & Displaced
3. Hungry & Beset with Fearful Gloom, Darkness & Anxiety
4. Judgement Awaits Both Houses of Israel

Isaiah's Answer For Israel's Distress (9:1-7)

1. Gloom will turn to Glory
2. Anxiety will turn to Joy
3. Darkiness will turn to Light
4. Disgrace will turn to Honor
5. Hunger & Want will turn to Harvest & Abundance

How Will This Take Place?

Isaiah 9:6 For to us a child is born, to us a son is given..

- He is The Mighty God
- Therefore, In Him there is great hope & relief - even in the middle of our distress & anxiety because He Is With US!

For Further Reflection

1. Get more familiar with the background and larger context to this prophecy by reading Isaiah chaps. 7-11; 2 Kings 15 & 16; and 2 Chronicles 28.
2. Watch the movie The Nativity Story.
3. Watch the short film The Shepherd by the makers of The Chosen - www.youtube.com/watch?v=lfmkgpZVZJQQ
4. Read the short book "The Three Trees" – makes a great gift!
5. Watch John Piper's exposition of Isaiah 9:1-7
 - a. Part 1 - [Isaiah 9:1-7 // Part 1 // Gloom to Glory by a Great Light](#)
 - b. Part 2 - [Isaiah 9:1-7 // Part 2 // Yoke Broken, Joy Soaring, Enemies Serving](#)
 - c. Part 3 - [Isaiah 9:1-7 // Part 3 // What Kind of Government Will God Bring?](#)
 - d. Part 4 - [Isaiah 9:1-7 // Part 4 // God's Zeal to Enthroned His Son on Earth](#)

Questions for Discussion

1. What stood out to you most from the message?
2. What does this passage & message teach us about God/Jesus?
3. What does this passage & message teach us about ourselves & humans in general?
4. What is your current distress & anxiety? Share with someone & discuss how Jesus, our Mighty God can bring relief & hope.
5. How does the promise of future hope actually help us with turmoil of our present distress?
6. What does God want you to do as a result of hearing His word today? Who can you share it with?