

Growth Group Discussion Guide

Passage: Isaiah 9:1-7

Sermon: Unto Us a Son is Given

Sermon Series: Prepare Him Room

Introduction: The Book of Isaiah reveals that Israel was exiled under Babylon because they had turned away from God and to the nations. Therefore God thrust them into “thick darkness” to experience judgment for their sin (Is 8:22). Yet in this darkness God gave His brightest promise: He would keep His covenant and send a king to rescue His people, crush their enemies, and sit upon the throne of David forever. We can rejoice in the midst of this year’s darkness because the light of that promised King has dawned.



Into the Word

God promised to send a King to who would rescue His people, crush their enemies, and sit upon the throne of David forever.

How does this passage describe the coming Kingdom. How is this fulfilled in Jesus?

Consider: Matthew 28:18, 1 Corinthians 15:25

Why do you think verse 4 alludes to the story of Gideon?

Consider: Colossians 1:13-14

How does Ephesians 4:7-12 help us understand the fulfillment of Isaiah 9:3?

What do you think it was like to hear these promises when Israel was in exile?

Consider: Luke 2:25-35



Into the Heart

The four titles reveal a different aspect of Jesus’ character and accomplishments.

How are the challenges of this season revealing our idols?

Which the four titles do you find the most important to remember this Christmas? Why?



Into the World

Christmas is not an America holiday but a celebration for the citizens of heaven.

What traditions have helped you keep Christ at the center of this season?

How might we help our neighbors see the light of the Gospel this Christmas?

