

GRACE POINT

Light of the World Part 1: Hope in the Darkness

Isaiah 8:22; 9:2, 6

1. What was most meaningful, memorable, or challenging to you from the message this week?
2. What do you find stressful about the Christmas season?
3. Read Isaiah 9:2. What do you find unsettling about the dark?
4. What things make you feel disoriented or out of control right now? How might you let God take control of those things?
5. In what ways do you look to yourself for guidance?
6. What steps can you take to look up and tap into God's wisdom this week?
7. How are you going to worship differently this Christmas season?

MOVING FORWARD

There's a part of the Christmas story that is often overlooked because it's a dangerous, dark, and depressing part of the story and we don't like dangerous, dark, and depressing at Christmas. But when you look at it from the vantage point of history it's actually a little... surprising. It helped shine hope in the midst of darkness for hundreds of years before the birth of Christ and thousands of years ever since.

CHANGING YOUR MIND

The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned.

Isaiah 9:2