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## HISTORICAL CONTEXT

- ✦ Jacob's children grew into millions of people
- ✦ The nation establishes kings.
- ✦ The nation ends up being divided into a northern kingdom and southern kingdom.
  - ✦ The division happens by tribes
- ✦ Ahaz and the people of Judah are terrified of being conquered by Israel and Syria.
- ✦ God sends Isaiah with a message of hope.
- ✦ Ahaz chooses not to trust in the LORD, but makes an alliance with Assyria
- ✦ Isaiah prophecies that it will not go well and Judah will be conquered along with Israel. The people will be bitter and angry and seek answers everywhere but God. The description is one of darkness and gloom.

## 1. THE PAIN

Isaiah 8:22— And they will look to the earth, but behold, distress and darkness, the gloom of anguish. And they will be thrust into thick darkness....

## 2. THE PROMISE

Isaiah 9:1-2— But there will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land...but in the latter time he has made glorious the way of the sea, the land...Galilee... The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone.

## 3. THE PROVISION

Isaiah 9:3— You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as they are glad when they divide the spoil.

## 4. THE PROTECTION

Isaiah 9:4—For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

## 5. THE PERSON

Isaiah 9:6—For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

## 6. THE PEACE

Isaiah 9:7—Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

**Because Jesus came we have for our lives...**

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- B. His \_\_\_\_\_
- C. His \_\_\_\_\_
- D. His \_\_\_\_\_

**Here Is The Point:** Let's wait with peace...