

The Thread

Discovering The Thread of the Gospel Through The Big-Picture Story of the Bible

Hello again! Wow! We are almost halfway through in our year-long journey through the Bible. Next week we will turn a corner and start looking at the New Testament. This week we finished up our look into the Old Testament.

This week, the lesson was entitled “Messianic Prophecy from Isaiah.” The prophets predicted information about the coming Messiah just a few hundred years shy of a century. They told us everything about the way He would be born, who He would be, and even how He would die for us. Isaiah’s prophecies are probably the best known, and this week we looked at two that were very powerful. We really challenged our teenagers to imagine looking at these words as if they had never heard them before. How would they react if they heard a Messiah was going to die for them, before He even came to earth? Then we balanced this with looking at the New Testament words that helped us remember Christ calls us to Him. Our central focus was that we aren’t merely saved FROM sin but TO a Savior.

We looked at the following Scripture passages:

- Isaiah 9:6-7
- Isaiah 53:1-6
- 1 Peter 2:21-25

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During the week set aside a few moments to discuss these questions with your teenager:

- Have you ever really thought what it would have been like to hear about Christ’s coming but never meet Him face to face?
- Why do you think the Lord waited so long to fulfill these promises of the coming Messiah?
- Tell me what it means to you to not just be saved from sin but to a relationship with Jesus?
- If we are all like sheep who wander off, how can we stay true to remembering to follow Christ?

I hope this resource is a useful tool for you and your student. If you have any questions about anything, please feel free to contact me.