## A Light Has Dawned

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Isaiah 9:1-7

The world was and is dark

"...even more purposeless, more void of meaning, is the world which Science presents for our belief...That Man is the product of causes which had no prevision of the end they were achieving; that his origin, his growth, his hopes and fears, his loves and his beliefs, are but the outcome of accidental collocations of atoms; that no fire, no heroism, no intensity of thought and feeling, can preserve an individual life beyond the grave; that all the labors of the ages, all the devotion, all the inspiration, all the noonday brightness of human genius, are destined to extinction in the vast death of the solar system, and that the whole temple of Man's achievement must inevitably be buried beneath the debris of a universe in ruins...Only within the scaffolding of these truths, only on the firm foundation of unyielding despair, can the soul's habitation henceforth be safely built." Bertrand Russell

"Pursuit of the good life will not help humanity save itself, nor is democracy alone enough, a turning to and seeking of God is needed. The human race constantly forgets that he is not God." Vaclav Havel

Why is there hope?

There is hope because a light has shone upon the darkness

The sun brings life: Jesus is the life (John 14:6)

The sun shows us the truth: Jesus is the truth (John 14:6)

The sun is beautiful and brings joy: Jesus is beautiful and brings joy

Jesus is the wonderful counselor

Jesus is the mighty God