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Isaiah 9:1-7

**For Unto Us A Child Is Born
Sunday, 12/12/21 Pastor Stuart Fraser**

I. Introduction: Isaiah predicted that the Messiah would come to drive out the spiritual darkness in the land of Israel and bring about everlasting peace.

II. For Unto Us A Child Is Born (Isaiah 9:1-7).

A. The Messiah's Illumination (vv. 1-2).

1. Isaiah prophesied that the Messiah's influence would drive out the spiritual darkness that overshadowed Israel and bring enlightenment to God's people.

B. The Messiah's Increase (vv. 2-5).

1. Isaiah predicted that the people would rejoice because the coming of the Messiah would usher in a period of spiritual prosperity for Israel that was unparalleled.

C. The Messiah's Incarnation (vv. 6-7).

1. Isaiah's prophetic revelation came to a climactic end by announcing the birth of a son who would reign forever as Israel's rightful Davidic king.

III. Conclusion: God sent Isaiah to preach a message of hope to Israel that would be Good News for the entire world, for all who received God's Light would be saved.

Questions About: For Unto Us A Child Is Born

1. Who is the most significant person in human history? Why was Jesus so different from other people? Why has His impact been so tremendous? How does the Bible describe Him?
2. Why were the Jews so distressed in Isaiah's time? (**Isa 9:1-2**) What was the darkness that Isaiah mentioned? (**v. 2**) Do we live in a day of darkness? How is our nation like Israel?
3. What did Isaiah predict would happen in Galilee? (**Isa 9:1-2**) What was the great Light that they saw? (**v. 2**) How did Matthew indicate that Jesus fulfilled this prophecy? (**Matt 4:13-16**)
4. What did Isaiah say the Messiah would bring? (**Isa 9:2-5**) How would He increase their gladness? (**v. 2**) How does Jesus bring joy into our lives? (**John 10:10**)
5. Why did Isaiah say that they would be happy? (**Isa 9:2-5**) How would the Messiah break the yoke of their oppressors? (**Isa 61:1**) How did Jesus accomplish this for sinners? (**John 8:36**)
6. What is the significance that a son would be both born and given? (**Isa 9:6-7**) What did Isaiah say would be the name of this child? What is the significance of names?
7. What does it mean that the Messiah would be called a wonderful Counselor? (**v. 6**) Mighty God? (**v. 6**) Eternal Father? (**v. 6**) Prince of Peace? (**v. 6**) What do these titles mean to you?
8. How is God's promise to bring peace through the Messiah a needed message for His people today? Why should it matter that Jesus' dominion will be forever? (**Isa 9:6-7**)

Prayer

1. Ask God to help you understand that Jesus is the Light in a world full of darkness.
2. Pray that you might reach out to those lost in this dark world with the Gospel.