

Subversive Hope December 1, 2019

Isaiah 9:6-7 Isaiah 53:4-8 Romans 15:12-13

- 1. Hope Reminds Us <u>of Our Already-Ness</u> 1 John 3:1 Ephesians 2:8 Ephesians 2:10 Ephesians 1:7-8 1 Corinthians 6:19-20
- 2. Hope Beckons Us <u>Towards Our Not Yet-Ness</u> 1 Corinthians 1:7-8 Philippians 1:6 1 John 3:2
- 3. Hope Demands We <u>Rebel Against Our Rebellion</u> Matthew 3:17 Luke 4:16-21

Home/Group Study

"To love someone is to desire and work toward their becoming the best version of themselves. The one person in all the universe who can do this perfectly for you is God." — John Ortberg

- 1. What things do you ordinarily do to prepare for Christmas? What things do you do to prepare spiritually for Christmas?
- 2. Why is it so easy to give up hope while we wait for something we really want?
- 3. How can you become more confident in God's love and work in your life?
- 4. What steps towards Jesus can you take between now and Christmas?
- 5. What do you need to let go of between now and Christmas?