

REVIEW

The truth about Christmas is:

- We are all hopelessly _____; and there is nothing we can do to _____ ourselves. *Nothing.*
- The Light that saves us comes from _____ our world.
- Jesus is _____.
John 8:12
- Salvation is a _____.

Do You Hear What I Hear?
(last stanza)

Said the King to the people everywhere:
Listen to what I say! (Listen to what I say!)
Pray for peace, people, everywhere.
Listen to what I say! (Listen to what I say!)
The Child, the Child sleeping in the night
He will bring us goodness and light.
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May it be so!



THE TRUTH ABOUT CHRISTMAS²

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The first truth about Christmas that often gets overlooked is:
Loyalty to Jesus will bring _____.

The second truth about Christmas that often gets overlooked is:
**We live in a _____ world that desperately
needs the coming of the _____.**

THE COMING OF THE LIGHT Isaiah 9:1-2

Isaiah presents two important truths we must not ignore:

1. We live in _____.
2. We need _____ from outside ourselves.

Darkness represents:

- _____ (Romans 3:9-12)
- _____ (1st John 1:5)
- _____ (Isaiah 53:6; Luke 19:10)

Ephesians 2:1-13

WHO WE WERE BC

- We were dead in our trespasses and sins. (Eph. 2:1)
- We are without hope and without God in the world. (Eph. 2:12)

WHO WE ARE AC

- We are made alive in Christ and our identity is with Christ. (Eph. 2:5)
- We who were far off have now been brought near by the blood of Christ. (Eph. 2:13)

**THE CELEBRATION OF THE LIGHT
Isaiah 9:3-5**

To illustrate the joy of the coming of the Light, Isaiah talks about ...

1. The joy of _____.
2. The joy of _____.

What this means is:

Light brings _____!

**THE IDENTITY OF THE LIGHT
Isaiah 9:6-7**

The Light is identified as ...

- _____
- _____
- _____

Jesus as the Light is now identified by four titles:

1. He will be called **Wonderful Counselor**.
2. He will be called **Mighty God**.
3. He will be called **Eternal Father**.
4. He will be called **Prince of Peace**.

The peace of Jesus extends in three directions.
Jesus is the source of ...

- _____ peace with God (Romans 5:1-11).
- _____ peace with others (Ephesians 2:13-16).
- _____ peace within ourselves (John 14:27).