

"HOPE"

Isaiah 9,53,7

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Advent = Latin "adventus" = "a coming, approach, arrival"

- Advent anticipates the arrival of a _____ - the birth of Jesus.
- Advent is a season of _____ ("set apart" for God) anticipation.

Hope = Greek "elpis" = carries an expectation of _____ good.

- I Peter 3:15 = *"... be ready to give a defense... for the hope that is in you..."*
- What reasons would you give for your hope?

Three great reasons for HOPE as we anticipate Christmas...

1. God's _____ (Isaiah 9:6-7))

- This was a dark time in Isreal's history, but God did not leave His people _____.
- The prophet Isaiah pointed to a special child being born.
  - A Son is given
  - The government will be upon His shoulders
  - His name will be called "Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace"
  - He will sit on the throne of David and His kingdom will have no end
- This prophesy was meant to bring _____.
- God has given us His promises to help _____ our soul and give us hope.
- Romans 15:4 *"... through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope."*

Application: What promises of God will point you to hope today?

2. God's _____ (Isaiah 53:4-6)

- Isaiah 9:6 *"... unto us a Son is given..."*
- Matthew 1:21 *"And she will bring forth a Son... for He will save His people from their sins."*
- What are we without a Savior? _____
  - Romans 3:23; 6:23; 5:8
- The Hope of Christmas is found in a _____ - Jesus Christ.
  - John 3:16
- Have you received God's gift of eternal life?
- Are you sharing the Good News with others?
  - I Thessalonians 5:8 *"... putting on... as a helmet the hope of salvation."*
- What do you tell those who might be struggling to have hope? _____ on Jesus and what He has done for them.
  - Hebrews 12:2 *"Looking unto Jesus..."*

Application: Are you remembering what God has done for you in the gift of His Son?

3. God's _____ (Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:22-24)

- This is the marvelous mystery of the _____. (Phil. 2; Jn. 1)
  - Before the birth of Jesus, the presence of God was in the _____ and _____. (Ex. 33; I Ki. 8)
  - With the birth of Jesus, the presence of God walked among men. (Jn. 1:14)
  - In our time the presence of God is the _____ indwelling Believers. (Rom. 8:11; 15:13; I Cor. 6:19)
  - Eventually we will be in God's presence for all eternity. (I Cor. 13:12; II cor. 5:8)
- Hebrews 13:5 *"... I will never leave you or forsake you."*

Bottom Line = Hebrews 6:19 *"This hope we have as _____ of the soul..."*

Application: Are you experiencing the presence of God in your life? Are you yielding to the Savior and allowing Him to give you hope?