

1. A great Light to dispel the darkness

- a) Isaiah 9:1-2 Who is the great Light that dispels the darkness in Galilee of the Gentiles?
- b) What prophecy was given by Simeon, shortly after Jesus was born in Bethlehem? Luke 2:25-32
- c) Jesus is the Light of the world, the great Light foretold by Isaiah the prophet. John 1:1-4, John 8:12, Matthew 4:12-17
- d) Each one of us has been delivered out of darkness by Jesus, the Light of the world. How does the apostle Peter describe an appropriate response to our deliverance? 1 Peter 2:9
- e) Share your testimony of how the LORD delivered you from darkness into His marvelous light.

2. A special Child will be born

- a) Isaiah 9:6-7 What words impact you the most in this inspired description of the Messiah?
- b) How did the angels over the Judean hillside describe the Messiah who had just been born? Luke 2:9-11
- c) When did you accept Jesus Christ as your personal Savior and Lord?
- d) Why is a personal acceptance of Jesus as Savior so vitally important?

3. Free to accept or reject God’s provision

- a) Isaiah 9:8-10 What attitude do you see revealed in the words of those who choose to ignore God’s warning message?
- b) Where do we see that rebellious attitude revealed elsewhere in the Scriptures? Genesis 11:1-4, Isaiah 14:12-14
- c) Isaiah 9:13 Why does the LORD chastise His people if He loves them with an immeasurable, unfailing love? (see Hebrews 12:5-11)
- d) Share an example from the Bible of someone who initially rejected God’s provision but repented and accepted the gift of salvation. (Mark 15:27-32, Luke 23:39-43)

4. More prophecies about Messiah

- a) Isaiah 11:1-2 How was this prophecy fulfilled in the life of Jesus? Matthew 1:1, Luke 18:38, Revelation 22:16, Luke 3:21-22, Luke 4:18-19
- b) Isaiah 11:3-5 Is this prophecy referring to the first coming of Jesus or His second coming in glory? Revelation 19:11-16
- c) Isaiah 11:6-9 Where else in Scripture do we see a description of the earth made new? Isaiah 65:17, Revelation 21:3-5
- d) Isaiah 12:1-6 How do these prophecies regarding Messiah give us comfort and hope today?

