

PRAY ABOUT YOUR SPECIAL YEAR-END GIFT

BREAK NEW GROUND



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THE COMING OF CHRIST

DEC. 3 ADVENT - HOPE

DEC. 8
TREASURED WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS EVENT 5:30 PM

DEC. 10 ADVEXT - PEACE

DEC. 17 ADVENT - JOY (CHILDREN'S SERVICE)

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ADVENT: THE COMING OF CHRIST

JESUS IS THE ADVENT OF HOPE ISAIAH 9:2-7

WFFK 1

Hope is the joyful and confident expectation of what God has promised.

(10 min) PRAY

Ask God to permeate your time with His presence. Pray that God will root out any self-centeredness and teach you the way of Jesus in championing others.

(25 min) REFLECT

As you've had the opportunity to reflect on what God has spoken to you through this week's lesson, consider these questions as a group and discuss them.

Read Isaiah 9:2-7

- 1. The timing of God's promises are always perfect
- a. In one of the darkest periods of Israel the promise of the messiah was given. Why do you think God provides amazing promises right before we go through a difficult season or while we are at a difficult season?
- 2. Hope is a joyful and confident expectation of what God has promised
- a. Is there a promise or expectation that you are holding on to during this advent season? Can you share what that promise is?

Read Isaiah 43:18-19

3. Are you someone that looks at the future with expectation or stays in the past? What are your thoughts regarding the exhortation that God gives Israel through Isaiah?

WEEKLY MEMORIZATION VERSES: **2** Corinthians **4:6** "For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ."

EXPERIENCING THE SPIRIT TOGETHER: Pray for the next 15-20 minutes as a Life Group. Ask God to guide you in this time of prayer. You have choices to make this week. In this Advent season, as we reflect on Christ's incarnation, we remember how Jesus was willing to champion us in His suffering and with great sacrifice. He took our reconciliation personally. He now calls us to live this way towards those He has placed in our lives and this lost world. To follow His way, we must break the tendency to be consumed with our lives and stories. We have to make space in our lives and generate genuine concern for what God is doing in the lives of others. Don't end your time together without concrete decisions and action items on how you will accomplish this.

(5 min) LIVE IT

Be intentional about centering each day this week around the presence of Christ in your life. Begin each day in prayer, looking up to God and choosing to look to the needs of others around you. Look for at least one meaningful way to champion what God is doing in someone else's life each day of this week.



