## Christmas <u>Is</u> the Gospel! Isaiah 9:1-7

Who is Isaiah?

Prophet in Jerusalem [Judah]

Under 4 different kings [Isaiah 1:1]

Husband and father [Isaiah 7:3, 8:3]

Believed to have died a martyr [Hebrews 11:37]

Warns Judah and observes God's judgment

Prophesied from 739-681 BC

Proclaims YAHWEH'S Salvation

Highest concentration of Christological prophesy in the OT

What Will You Celebrate This Year?

Jesus is our Light and Joy!

Vs. 1 & 2

There is no darkness in Him (John 1)

Jesus illumines Truth for believers (John 14 & 17)

He offers real and complete fulfillment (John 15)

These things I have spoken to you, That my joy may be in you a and that your joy may be full. (John 15:11)

**Iesus is Our Rescue Miracle** 

Vs. 4-6A

His birth is an impossible miracle (Luke 1:37)

His humanity is an implausible humility (Phil. 2:8)

His sacrifice is our irreplaceable Hope (Eph. 2:5)

Even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved (Eph. 2:5)

Jesus is GOD on Our Side

vs. 6B-7A

Preeminence is His identity (Col. 1:17)

And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

(Col. 1:17)

Presence is His promise (Matthew 28:20)

Power is His game plan (Luke 21:27)

Jesus is Our Always Hope
vs. 7
Creator at the start (Col. 1:16)
Redeemer at the right time
(Eph. 1:9-10; Romans 11:24-26; Col. 1: 27-28)
King for Eternity (Rev. 19: 15-16)

What Will You Celebrate This Christmas?