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## WORSHIP

Suggested worship songs: Joy of the Lord, For unto Us a Child is Born/Open My Eyes Lord, Emmanuel God with Us, Holy Forever, O Come All Ye Faithful/His Name Shall Be

## WELCOME

What do Christmas lights remind you of?

## *READ IT!*

## WORD

### Isaiah 9:1-7

1 But there will be no more gloom for her who was in anguish; in earlier times He treated the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali with contempt, but later on He shall make it glorious, by the way of the sea, on the other side of Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles.

2 The people who walk in darkness

Will see a great light;

Those who live in a dark land,

The light will shine on them.

3 You shall multiply the nation,

You shall increase their gladness;

They will be glad in Your presence

As with the gladness of harvest,

As men rejoice when they divide the spoil.

4 For You shall break the yoke of their burden and the staff on their shoulders,

The rod of their oppressor, as at the battle of Midian.

5 For every boot of the booted warrior in the battle tumult,

And cloak rolled in blood, will be for burning, fuel for the fire.

6 For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us;

And the government will rest on His shoulders;

And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,

Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.

7 There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace,

On the throne of David and over his kingdom,

To establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness

From then on and forevermore.

The zeal of the Lord of hosts will accomplish this.

## *PARAPHRASE IT!*

Restate the verses in your own words.

## TALK ABOUT IT!

- What did you like about these verses?
- What did you learn about God?
- What did you learn about people?
- What did you learn about true Light of Christmas?
- What did you learn about following Jesus?

## POINT IT OUT

**INTRO** (John 8:12)

**PAST PROMISES** (Matthew 25:30, Isaiah 9:2-5)

**PRESENT BLESSINGS** (Isaiah 9:6, Psalm 33:8-9, James 1:5, Isaiah 30:21, John 1:1-4, Colossians 1:16-17, Hebrews 1:3, John 10:14-15, Romans 5:1, John 14:27)

**FUTURE GLORY** (Isaiah 9:7, Revelation 21:22-23, Matthew 5:14, 16, Genesis 1:1-3)

## APPLY IT!

### WORKS

Based on this lesson on "*Let Jesus Bring You from Darkness to Light*" write down your action point to apply what you learned. Make it your "I will..." statement and follow the S.M.A.R.T. guideline to come up with a do-able action point.

### PRAY CARE SHARE IN ACTION

Pray for the light of Christ to shine brightly this season in the lives of your loved ones through your witness. Share the gospel to everyone you have the opportunity to do so as we celebrate the birth of Christ this holiday season. Let them know about the true Light of Christmas---Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

### WEEKLY PRAYER POINTS

#### I. Thanksgiving

- Worship God for who He is, what He has done, and what He will do in our lives.

#### II. Country and the World

- Upright and moral governance of public servants; repentance and salvation for government leaders and citizens for a Christ-centered Philippines.
- For legislators to promote and support bills and laws aligned with God's Word.
- PRAY for the protection, safety and release of kidnapped American Christian missionary, Kevin, serving in Niger (West Africa). For God to turn the hearts of the kidnappers to repentance and salvation. Peace and comfort for Kevin's family.
- Pray for persecuted Christians in Sudan and Nigeria) --- many have been beheaded and murdered; earnestly seek God's intervention to stop the bloodshed. Pray for freedom from oppression, that God's word and His people bring them comfort and hope.
- PRAISE God that the rest of the living Israeli hostages have been restored to

their families safely! Continue to pray that the last remaining dead hostage will be returned to his family for burial.

- For Israel's war with terrorists to end according to God's purpose and for His glory. For Jewish people worldwide who are experiencing a surge of antisemitism such as in the Bondi Beach (Sydney, Australia) terrorist attack; may this lead them to the Messiah, Jesus as they turn to God for help and comfort.
- War in Ukraine to end, loss of lives prevented.

#### III. Church

- That CCF Members would honor and love God, and make disciples
- For elders, pastors, deacons, and families to become holy, humble, harmonious, happy, and heart-working)
- For ministries and church expansions worldwide.

#### IV. CCF Facilities

- Worship and Training Center

- Prayer Mountain (MMRC)

#### **V. Personal Concerns**

- Deeper and intimate relationship with God
- Righteous living.
- Salvation of family and friends

### **MEMORY VERSE**

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