

Sermon Discussion Questions – 11/28/21

Advent Builds Hope

Isaiah 8:19-9:7

Memory Verse: Isaiah 9:6

For to us a child is born,
to us a son is given,
and the government will be on his shoulders.
And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Sermon Points:

1. "Hope", apart from God, leads to despair.
2. Hope in God leads to joy and peace.
3. Hope is a person, not a circumstance.

Discussion Questions:

1. Read Isaiah 8:19-22; The Jews had resorted to consulting mediums to try and find hope. What are the ways people in our culture look for hope today apart from God? Are there any things you look toward to find hope?
2. Read Isaiah 9:1-5; These verses are a beautiful picture of how God brings joy and peace. In what ways has God brought joy and peace in your life this year?
3. Read Isaiah 9:6-7; Which description of God in verse 6 is the most comforting to you and why?
4. Write down the name of one person you could have conversation about hope with and pray for them as a group. Then think of a way you could initiate that conversation this week.