

Isaiah 9:1-7

Our Assured Hope: Messiah's Reign

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Isaiah 9:1-7 Outline

Two Informing Passages

7:14 Virgin will have a son – Immanuel

8:22 Result of unbelief – gloom and darkness

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9:1-3 There is hope for God's people

9:4-7 The basis for hope – the Child/God

There Is Hope For God's Elect

Isaiah 9:1-2 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. (ESV) The people who walked in darkness **have seen** a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined.

Jesus Is The “Great Light”

Matthew 4:13-16...leaving Nazareth, He came and settled in Capernaum, which is by the sea, in the region of Zebulun and Naphtali. This was to fulfill what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet: “The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, By the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— “The people who were sitting in darkness saw a great Light, And those who were sitting in the land and shadow of death, Upon them a Light dawned.”

This Hope Is Only For Believers

Luke 2:34 And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary His mother, “Behold, this Child is appointed for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and for a sign to be opposed...

John 3:19 This is the judgment, that the Light has come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the Light, for their deeds were evil.

The Future Messianic Kingdom

Isaiah 9:3 ESV You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as they are glad when they divide the spoil.

Genesis 17:2 “I will establish My covenant between Me and you, And I will multiply you exceedingly.”

Messiah Will Abolish War

Isaiah 9:4-5 For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, You have broken as on the day of Midian. For every boot of the tramping warrior in the battle tumult and every garment rolled in blood will be burned as fuel for the fire.

The Hope Made Possible By "Immanuel"

Isaiah 9:6 **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.

Genesis 18:14 "Is anything too difficult for the LORD? At the appointed time I will return to you, at this time next year, and Sarah will have a son."

O.T. Evidence For "The God Man"

Zechariah 12:10 I will pour out on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the Spirit of grace and of supplication, so that they will look on Me whom they have pierced; and they will mourn for Him, as one mourns for an only son, and they will weep bitterly over Him like the bitter weeping over a **firstborn**.

The Need For The God Man

Hebrews 2:17... He had to be made like His brethren in all things, so that He might become a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make **propitiation** for the sins of the people.

Immanuel Establishes The Davidic Hope

Isaiah 9:7 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.

2 Samuel 7:16 Your house and your kingdom shall endure before Me forever; your throne shall be established forever."

The Assured Hope For Believers

Jeremiah 31:17 "There is hope for your future," declares the Lord, "And your children will return to their own territory."

Genesis 12:7a The Lord appeared to Abram and said, "To your descendants I will give this land."

Genesis 13:15 for all the land which you see, I will give it to you and to your descendants forever.

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Ezekiel 37:25 "They will live on the land that I gave to Jacob My servant, in which your fathers lived; and they will live on it, they, and their sons and their sons' sons, forever; and **David My servant** will be their prince forever.

Romans 15:4 For whatever was written in earlier times was written for our instruction, so that through perseverance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

The Importance of Our Hope

Romans 15:12 Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace **in believing**, so that you will abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

1 Thessalonians 1:3 NIV We continually remember before our God and Father your **work** produced by faith, your **labor** prompted by love, and your **endurance** inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.
