

CHARGE Youth Discussion Questions Outline

GRADE
7-12

Date & Week

November 30, 2025 (Wk 1)

Bible Focus

Isaiah 9:2-7

Theme Focus

**Hope - the Promise of a
Saviour**

Discussion Questions

Main Point: God promised to send a Messiah to rescue his people. This Saviour would bring light and hope for the whole world.

Warm-up questions

1. Would you consider yourself a patient person?
2. Imagine waiting 700 years for a promise of deliverance. How might this stretch and grow your faith?

Read Isaiah 9:2-7

3. Isaiah describes Israel as being in a state of "deep darkness." But within his message, Isaiah shares a message of hope. How does Isaiah describe this hope?
4. How might the announcement of a divine king have encouraged Israel? (*Hint: what was the context in which they were living? What was their experience of leadership at the time Isaiah was writing?*)
5. It can be normal for people to experience or witness times of sadness or even darkness due to circumstances, ill-health, or just living in a broken world. What do the promises in Isaiah 9 tell you about God and his desire for those "living in" darkness?

6. What are the specific characteristics of the new kingdom that this child will one day rule? How might have these words brought great comfort to the original readers?
7. What are some of the names and titles given to the promised Messiah? Which of these stands out to you the most? Explain why.

Application

8. In reflecting on Isaiah's prophecy about the coming Messiah, how does it build your confidence in Jesus - even if things in this world are not currently going the way you wish?
9. As we enter the Advent season this week, what is a way that you better express your hope in the Lord?

Prayer

Heavenly Father, Thank you that you are faithful and always keep your promises. Thank you for keeping your promise to send a Saviour Jesus. Thank you for the hope we have in Jesus. Keep us from living for our own glory, but instead help live as your people. Amen.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. Isaiah 9:2a