



HOPE

for a Hopeless World



Advent means **arrival** or **coming**.

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A thrill of hope,
For yonder breaks**

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A thrill of hope, the weary world rejoices,
For yonder breaks

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A thrill of hope, the weary world rejoices,
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn!

Isaiah

Yahweh Saves

THE HOPELESS WORLD OF ISAIAH'S DAY

Isaiah 9:1-2

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Isaiah 1:2

² Hear me, you heavens! Listen, earth!
For the LORD has spoken:
“I reared children and brought them up,
but they have rebelled against me.

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Deuteronomy 4:23

²³ Be careful not to forget the covenant of the LORD your God that he made with you...

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Deuteronomy 4:25-26

²⁵ After you have had children and grandchildren and have lived in the land a long time—if **you then become corrupt** and make any kind of idol, doing evil in the eyes of the LORD your God and arousing his anger, ²⁶ **I call the heavens and the earth as witnesses against you this day** that you will quickly perish from the land that you are crossing the Jordan to possess. You will not live there long but will certainly be destroyed.

THE HOPELESS WORLD OF OUR DAY

Isaiah 1:17

¹⁷ Learn to do right; seek justice.

Defend the oppressed.

Take up the cause of the fatherless;
plead the case of the widow.

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Isaiah 2:6-8

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They are **full of superstitions** from the East;
they practice divination like the Philistines
and embrace pagan customs.

⁷ Their land is **full of silver and gold**;
there is no end to their treasures.

Their land is **full of horses**;
there is no end to their chariots.

⁸ Their land is **full of idols**;
they bow down to the work of their hands,
to what their fingers have made.

A JUDGEMENT PRONOUNCED

Isaiah 6:1

¹In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple.

A JUDGEMENT PRONOUNCED

Isaiah 6:3

³ And they were calling to one another:

“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty;
the whole earth is full of his glory.”

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Isaiah 6:5-6

⁵ “Woe to me!” I cried. “I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the Lord Almighty.”

⁶ Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷ With it he touched my mouth and said, “See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for.”

What are the circumstances and situations in which we underestimate God's holiness and grace?

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Isaiah 9:3

³ You have enlarged the nation
and increased their joy;
they rejoice before you
as people rejoice at the harvest,
as warriors rejoice
when dividing the plunder.

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Isaiah 9:4-5

⁴ For as in the day of Midian's defeat,
you have shattered
the yoke that burdens them,
the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor.

⁵ Every warrior's boot used in battle
and every garment rolled in blood
will be destined for burning,
will be fuel for the fire.

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Isaiah 9:6

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And he will be called
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

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Isaiah 9:7

⁷ Of the greatness of his government and peace
there will be no end.

He will reign on David's throne
and over his kingdom,
establishing and upholding it
with justice and righteousness
from that time on and forever.

The zeal of the LORD Almighty
will accomplish this.

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Isaiah 2:3

³ Many peoples will come and say,
“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the temple of the God of Jacob.
He will teach us his ways,
so that we may walk in his paths.”



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