

Third Sunday of Advent

December 15, 2024

SERMON SERIES

*The Story You Thought You Knew
What the Bible Really Says About Christmas*

SERMON FOR TODAY:

"The Missing Peace"

Isaiah 9: 2-7 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

**2 The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness—
on them light has shined.**

**3 You have multiplied exultation;
you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.**

**4 For the yoke of their burden
and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.
5 For all the boots of the tramping warriors
and all the garments rolled in blood
shall be burned as fuel for the fire.**

**6 For a child has been born for us,
a son given to us;
authority rests upon his shoulders,
and he is named
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.**

**7 Great will be his authority,
and there shall be endless peace
for the throne of David and his kingdom.
He will establish and uphold it
with justice and with righteousness
from this time onward and forevermore.
The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.**

Sermon Notes

The good news of Christmas is that in a child there is life-changing, redemptive power. Isaiah gives this child four titles and each one captures the true essence of the promised Messiah:

1. Wonderful Counselor: _____

2. Mighty God: _____

3. Everlasting Father: _____

4. Prince of Peace: _____

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