Christmas 2020 Series Week 2 outline 12.6.20 Isaiah 9:1-7

A NEW KING IN TOWN

Mighty God: A King Who Conquers Death

- I. This World of Gloom and Distress:
 - -Gloom in a land of oppression
 - -Distressed from a life of judgment
- II. His Mighty Work of Love: Shattering the Yoke, the Bar, and the Rod (Isaiah 9:4)

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.

- A. Shattering The Yoke that Burdens (The Law)
 - 1. The law shows us our Sin, but Christ gives us His righteousness (Romans 3:18-24)
 - 2. The law tells us the penalty is death, but Christ frees us in His life (Galatians 5:1)
 - 3. The law leaves us weary and burned, but Jesus' yoke is easy and burden is light (Matthew 11:28-30)

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B. Shattering The Bar Across Their Shoulder (Sin)

1. He has Ransomed Captives Free (Mark 10:45)

2. He has Set us free from the wages of sin (Romans 6:14-18)

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C. Shattering The Rod of Their Oppressor (Judgement)

Freeing us from condemnation (Romans 8:1-3)
 Imputing his righteousness (Romans 3:21-24)
 Calling us to His purpose (Matthew 5:14-16)

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III. Our Response of Worship

- A. We Worship him as both our Refuge and our Fortress (Psalm 91:1-4)
 - 1. In Him we discover our rest
 - 2. In Him we place our trust
 - 3. In Him we receive our salvation
 - 4. In Him we find our refuge

B. We worship him with Obedience and Allegiance (Romans 6:17-18)

"But thanks be to God that, though you used to be slaves to sin, you have come to obey from your heart the pattern of teaching that has now claimed your allegiance. You have been set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness."

- 1. King Jesus has shattered the yoke of the law: making us alive, restored, and rescued.
 - -How have I experienced restoration because the Lord has rescued me and where is Jesus at work within me right now?
- 2. King Jesus has shattered the bar of sin, not just set us free *FROM* something, but *FOR* something as well... Real Life, transformed by Christ.
 - -What have I been enslaved by that Christ has set me free *FROM*; What am I set free *FOR* instead?
- 3. King Jesus has shattered the rod of judgement as both our refuge and our fortress.
 - -How do I respond to Jesus' ultimate power and love that plays out through his work on the cross?

THERE'S A NEW KING IN TOWN:
A ROCK AND REFUGE WHOM WE HIDE BEHIND;
A MIGHTY THRONE REVEALED IN A HUMBLE MANGER;
GOD'S WORD IS PUT INTO ACTION.