

### Notes | December 24, 2023

# What do you believe about Jesus?

# The HOPE of Christmas is NOT in the ABSENCE of DARKNESS...it is in the ARRIVAL of the LIGHT of Jesus!

The reality of life is that we will experience disappoint. Whether it's disappointment over where we're at in life, in ourselves, or in relationship, we all experience it in some way. However, our reality is also that we have Jesus. In all of our disappointment, darkness, and dissatisfaction; Jesus is our relief, light, and joy. In this Christmas season, we're not just celebrating the birth of Jesus, but also the light he brings to all of our lives.

# Key Scripture | Isaiah 9:2

The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned.

## **Related Scriptures**

Isaiah 9:6; John 3:16, 19-20

## Icebreakers:

Q: In your opinion, what is the best Christmas movie of all time?



## Key Thoughts and Reflections:

#### I. God Loves.

Q: How has Jesus been a light to those around you?

Q: God uniquely loves you. In what ways has He shown He cares for you?

Q: How do you show your love for God?

#### II. God Gave.

Q: Why is Jesus an example of how God gives to and cares for people?

Q: How have you personally experienced God giving to you?

Q: What are ways you can share what God has given to you?

#### III. We Believe.

Q: Why is it important to trust Jesus?

Q: How do you express trust in Jesus?

Q: How can you invite others into relationship with Jesus?

## **Get Practical**

This week, spend time reflecting on 2023 and how God has loved you and brought you out of darkness. Then, spend time praying over 2024.