

## PROMISED SAVIOR

As preached on Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>

**Read:** Isaiah 9:1-7

1. Have you received a “wish you were here” message from a friend who was visiting an exotic location? What was the point of their message: that they wished you could visit that location or that they wished you were present with them?
2. Take a moment to read through Isaiah 8:18-22. What kind of context does it provide for the words Isaiah shares in 9:1-7?
3. In v.1 Isaiah states that “*there will be no more gloom for those in distress*”. What three reasons does the prophet give for that hope?
4. Re-read vv.2-5. Is Isaiah writing in the future tense, present tense, or past tense?
5. What is the “prophetic perfect” and why is it significant?
6. As we begin our own Advent anticipation, how can you choose to live in the beautiful reality of the prophetic perfect?