

Because “unto us a child is born,” we can \_\_\_\_\_ that God will do what is best.

**Bring your situation to God in prayer.**

- Ask him to take it \_\_\_\_\_, heal, deliver, or restore.
  
- Ask that he would give you assurance that he is \_\_\_\_\_ you.



Peace = \_\_\_\_\_ is more than the absence of outward conflict, it’s the presence of harmony.

Anxiety can drive us to \_\_\_\_\_.

If everything needs to be \_\_\_\_\_ for us to experience peace, we never will.

**We try to manufacture peace through:**

Self-\_\_\_\_\_

- Will often prevent us from experiencing new \_\_\_\_\_ God wants to birth in us through trials.

\_\_\_\_\_ means.

**Response:**

What is God saying to me today?

How will I respond?

## How can we find peace in this broken world?

### Scripture: Isaiah 7:1-17

The Jewish people were divided into \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

Israel formed an alliance with \_\_\_\_\_ to protect themselves from the Assyrian Empire.

When Ahaz of Judah refused to join, they \_\_\_\_\_ him.

Isaiah warned Ahaz not to \_\_\_\_\_ the political or military solution.

God gave Ahaz a \_\_\_\_\_ that he would be faithful.

“The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.” (Isaiah 7:14)

### Isaiah 9:1-7

While things look bleak, God gives them a future \_\_\_\_\_.

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

When the light comes, their anxiety will turn to \_\_\_\_\_!

### Two word-pictures:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. The spoils of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ fights the battle and his \_\_\_\_\_ reap the benefit!

### The Child will be called:

- Wonderful counselor
- Mighty God
- Everlasting Father
- Prince of Peace

Isaiah was talking about \_\_\_\_\_, but he couldn't possibly live up to the description.

He was only a \_\_\_\_\_ that God was with them.

\_\_\_\_\_ was the one who fully fit the description!

The Bible points back to the old story for the sake of the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ today.

### The Story:

- Reminds us \_\_\_\_\_ we \_\_\_\_\_.
- Reminds us that \_\_\_\_\_ will be \_\_\_\_\_.
- Reminds us how the story \_\_\_\_\_.