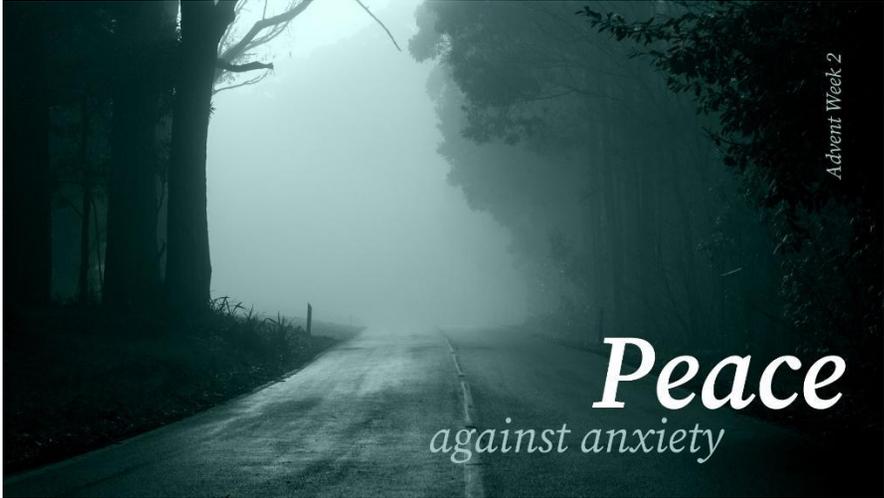


Because “unto us a child is born,” we can _____ that God will do what is best.

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 _____.