

Wednesday in the Word – Advent Bible Study

"Walking in the Light That Has Already Come"

Primary Texts: Isaiah 9:2-7 (NLT) & John 1:1-14 (NLT)

I. OPENING ORIENTATION: ADVENT AS SPIRITUAL PREPARATION

Advent is about waiting with expectation, watching for God, welcoming the Light, and witnessing to Hope.

II. TEXTUAL FOUNDATION: ISAIAH 9 AND JOHN 1

A. Isaiah 9:2 – Light for People in Real Darkness

"The people who walk in darkness will see a great light..."

Darkness is political, emotional, spiritual, communal—yet God declares darkness does not cancel destiny.

B. John 1:1–5, 14 – Jesus as the Light That Darkness Cannot Stop

"The light shines in the darkness..."

Jesus is not just a light but the Light. Darkness cannot extinguish Him. He dwells among us.

III. THEOLOGICAL LIFT: WHAT ADVENT LIGHT REALLY MEANS

- 1. Light Reveals What Darkness Hides
- 2. Light Restores What Darkness Has Damaged
- 3. Light Redirects Our Path and Purpose
- 4. Light Reorders Our Loyalty

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IV. PRACTICAL APPLICATION: HOW WE WALK IN THE LIGHT NOW

- 1. Choose Truth Over Comfort
- 2. Choose Faith Over Fear
- 3. Choose Discipline Over Drift
- 4. Choose Hope Over Cynicism
- 5. Be Light for Somebody Else

V. DISCUSSION & REFLECTION QUESTIONS

- 1. Where do you see "deep darkness" in your life?
- 2. What part of Christ's identity do you most need this Advent?
- 3. How has God turned on a light for you before?
- 4. Which area of your walk needs Advent light?
- 5. How can you be light for someone else this week?

VI. CLOSING CHARGE

"This Advent, don't wait for the Light—walk in the Light. Don't hide from the Light—invite the Light. Don't fear the darkness—shine anyway."

The Light is already on. "Now walk in it."