



“The Anticipation of Hope”

Five vertical bars of varying heights and widths, each with a different pattern: purple with white circles, blue with white chevrons, light blue with white swirls, dark blue with white herringbone, and dark blue with white wavy lines. They are arranged in a row, with the central bar being the tallest and the outer bars being the shortest.

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— Season of Advent —

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- Isaiah 9:6-7 NIV

6 For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders.

And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.



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7 Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this.



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Isaiah 9:2

² The people who walk in darkness will see a great light. For those who live in a land of deep darkness, a light will shine.



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Isaiah 1:1

• *1 These are the visions that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. He saw these visions during the years when Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah were kings of Judah.*





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1.Uzziah:

around 792-740 BCE

2.Jotham:

around 750-731 BCE

3.Ahaz:

around 735-715 BCE

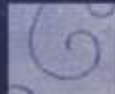
4.Hezekiah:

around 715-686 BCE



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1. Idolatry
2. Altars to foreign gods
3. Sacrificing his children
4. Alliances with Assyria
5. Disregard for the prophet Isaiah
6. Defiling the Temple
7. Social Injustice
8. Ignored the Law
9. Failed Leadership
10. Neglect of Prophetic Counsel



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They were experiencing three major things:

- 1. Spiritual Darkness.**
- 2. All types of leadership had failed them.**
- 3. God gave them HOPE.**

