



Hope Has A Name

Isaiah 8:17-9:7

1. The Truth that Life can be really dark and painful.

2. The Turning Point when Hope Rises.

"The LORD is my light and my salvation; Whom shall I fear? The LORD is the defense of my life; Whom shall I dread?" *Psalm 27:1 (NASB)*

"I will wait for the LORD, who is hiding his face from the house of Jacob, and I will hope in him."
Isaiah 8:17 (ESV)

"But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law,"
Galatians 4:4 (NASB)

"Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you at the proper time,"
1 Peter 5:6 (NASB)

3. Christmas is the reason we have a living hope.

"Now when Jesus heard that John had been taken into custody, He withdrew into Galilee; and leaving Nazareth, He came and settled in Capernaum, which is by the sea, in the region of Zebulun and Naphtali. *This was* to fulfill what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet: "THE LAND OF ZEBULUN AND THE LAND OF NAPHTALI, BY THE WAY OF THE SEA, BEYOND THE JORDAN, GALILEE OF THE GENTILES— "THE PEOPLE WHO WERE SITTING IN DARKNESS SAW A GREAT LIGHT, AND THOSE WHO WERE SITTING IN THE LAND AND SHADOW OF DEATH, UPON THEM A LIGHT DAWNED." From that time Jesus began to preach and say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." *Matthew 4:12-17 (NASB)*

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead," *1 Peter 1:3 (NASB)*

"Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you will abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." *Romans 15:13 (NASB)*