Make Room...for Hope

Luke 2:1-7

Big Idea: Biblical hope isn't just wishing something good will happen. It's a confident expectation about the future, because God is faithful to His promises.

Luke 2:21-38

God always keeps His promises!

"The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone."

Isaiah 9:2

"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given… and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

Isaiah 9:6

Challenge: What is one way we can make room for more hope through Jesus this Christmas?

DIGGING DEEPER QUESTIONS

What is one thing you look forward to most about Christmas? What tends to make this season feel especially full or hectic?

Read Luke 2:1–7. What stands out to you about the circumstances surrounding Jesus' birth?

Whatever the physical circumstances were (stable of an inn or guest room below a relative's house where animals were kept), there was "no room." Why is that a big deal?

How can even the good things of this season crowd out our attention to Jesus, and what can we do about that?

Read Luke 2:25–38. What do we learn about Simeon and Anna from this passage?

Both had waited a long time for God's promised Savior. What do you think enabled them to remain faithful and hopeful?

Read Isaiah 9:2-7. What stands out to you about God's promises in this passage?

How does seeing God fulfill this promise through Jesus strengthen your hope today for what is yet to come?

What's one thing you could put down, do less of, or say no to this week to make more room for Jesus?

What's the best time and place each day for you to engage with Advent reflections this year?

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