

The Need for a Savior

Isaiah 9:6-7

Battle of sin: (Rom. 7:15-8:2)

- I want to do what is right / but I do what is wrong. (v. 15)
- I want to do what is right / but I can't. (v. 18)
- I want to do what is good / but I don't. (v. 19a)
- I don't want to do what is wrong / but I do it anyway. (v. 19b)
- When I want to do what is right / I do what is wrong. (v. 21)
- I want to obey God's law / but I am a slave to sin. (vv. 22-23,

The "Good News" or Gospel Story:

- Know the problem - A great chasm separates us from God – Sin! (Rom. 3:23, 3:10, Is. 53:6)
- Understand the penalty - The result of sin is death. (Rom. 5:12, 6:23)
- Accept the provision - The result of Christ's death is our forgiveness of sins. (Rom. 5:8, 2 Cor. 5:21, 1 Tim. 2:5)
- Receive the prize - We have a choice to be forgiven of our sins. (Rom. 10:9-10, 13)

Points to Ponder:

- God's gift deals with the problem of sin / Praise God for the Gift!
- God's gift deals with the penalty of sin / Praise God for the Gift!
- God's gift provides us with the remedy for sin / Praise God for the Gift!
- God's gift gives us prize because of the forgiver of sin / Praise God for the Gift!