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Teaching on Tuesdays with Pastor Berry

“GET RIGHT with GOD” - Isaiah 1:1-9

As inhabitants of this world, we live by a seasonal calendar. This seasonal calendar consists of Winter, Spring, Summer, and Fall. Similarly, as inhabitants of God’s Kingdom we have a Christian calendar or Liturgical calendar here on Earth. This Christian calendar consists of Ordinary Time, Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter, and Pentecost.

This past Sunday, a significant part of the Liturgical calendar began. In the Jewish tradition or Jewish faith, they began Hanukkah which is a festival of lights based on the light God brings into the world. In the Christian tradition or Christian faith, we begin the Advent season which celebrates the birth of Jesus and anticipates the second coming of Christ. As we close out the year, let’s make sure our light is shining as we await the Christ.

What are some familiar verses/scriptures in the book of Isaiah?

1. **Isaiah 6:1** - *In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple*
2. **Isaiah 9:6** - *For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.*
3. **Isaiah 40:1** - *But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.*

MAIN POINTS

● Revelation from God (v. 1)

 *The vision concerning Judah and Jerusalem that Isaiah son of Amoz saw during the reigns of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.*

● Rebellion towards God (v.2-3)

 *Hear me, you heavens! Listen, earth! For the Lord has spoken: “I reared children and brought them up, but they have rebelled against me. The ox knows its master, the donkey its owner’s manger, but Israel does not know, my people do not understand.”*

● Rejection of God (v.4)

 *Woe to the sinful nation, a people whose guilt is great, a brood of evildoers, children given to corruption! They have forsaken the Lord; they have spurned the Holy One of Israel and turned their backs on him.*

● Rottenness towards God (v.5-6)

 *Why should you be beaten anymore? Why do you persist in rebellion? Your whole head is injured, your whole heart afflicted. From the sole of your foot to the top of your head there is no soundness—only wounds and welts and open sores, not cleansed or bandaged or soothed with olive oil.*

● Reprimand from God (v.7-9)

 *Your country is desolate, your cities burned with fire; your fields are being stripped by foreigners right before you, laid waste as when overthrown by strangers. Daughter Zion is left like a shelter in a vineyard, like a hut in a cucumber field, like a city under siege. Unless the Lord Almighty had left us some survivors, we would have become like Sodom, we would have been like Gomorrah.*