Specific Questions: Text: Isaiah 9:6

- 1. Describe a few situations in which you know God's strength is essential for you. Describe a few situations in which you routinely rely on your own strength. What's the difference?
- 2. In circumstances that you have asked God to act or work, and his response seems slow or delayed, how does that affect your view of God? Do you then take things into your own hands?
- 3. The apostles struggled with wanting Jesus to be a political ruler. What can we learn from them that might help us properly wait for Jesus' return?
- 4. Read Ephesians 1:18 21:
 - summarize the three goals of Paul's prayer.
 - What is the initial evidence of God's might (v20)?
 - What is the relationship between God's might and Paul's petitions in verse 18-19?
 - · How does that affect your perspectives on living as a disciple of Jesus?
- 5. Read Ephesians 6:10. If you were to create a "fitness center" where Christians could become **strong in the Lord**, what would it look like? What kind of equipment or routine would you include?

GENERAL QUESTIONS:

- 1. What new concept did you learn from this week's text?
- 2. Is there anything in the text that you don't understand?
- 3. How does this text challenge you to change? Is there anything standing in your way of making that change?