



Love Came Down – A love that comforts us

Date: Sunday 4th December 2022

Speaker: Aaron Smith (City Centre) // Rob Masters (South).

Key Verses: Isaiah 9:6

Talk Summary:

We looked at the four names Isaiah states the Messiah will be (wonderful counsellor, mighty god, everlasting father, prince of peace). Each one helps us understand who Jesus really is, understanding he is both human and God at the same time.

It also helps us see Jesus as the counsellor who is always available, the creator God, the eternal father and the bringer of a peace we can get nowhere else.

As we look at these four areas the question to ask us is whether we are looking elsewhere for these things? And then finally we need to ask ourselves the question of how this news changes our view of Jesus.

Worship

Worship is not just singing, it is thanking God for who he is and what he has done and is lived out through a life of trusting obedience. Discussing this together is an act of worship.

(Small group worship resources can be found at bvc.so/sgworship)

- What are you thankful for this week?
- Where has God been at work in your life?
- When have you taken risks in faith and obedience this week?

If you have a time of singing you can skip the above questions but please do ask this question each week:

- What has God been speaking to you about this week? (Go around the group quickly don't spend a long time on it)

Discussion Questions (choose some which are most relevant to your group)

- Where are we looking for comfort?
- Upon hearing the descriptions about Jesus – how does this change our view of who he is and why he came?
- Who in our world needs to hear the good news about Jesus? (invite them to the Carol Service on Sunday at one of our 3 sites/4 services)

Witness - *How would you share what you have learned with a non-church friend?*

We want to be investing in authentic relationships with those who don't know Jesus yet and inviting them to anything where they might meet other Christians and Jesus. Pick one of the below each week:

- How would you share what you have learned with a non-church friend?
- What church events coming up would your friends appreciate an invitation to?

Other Notices:

- It is Carols this weekend! Please make sure that you are inviting your neighbour and friends, it's going to be so much festive fun! we can't wait to see you!