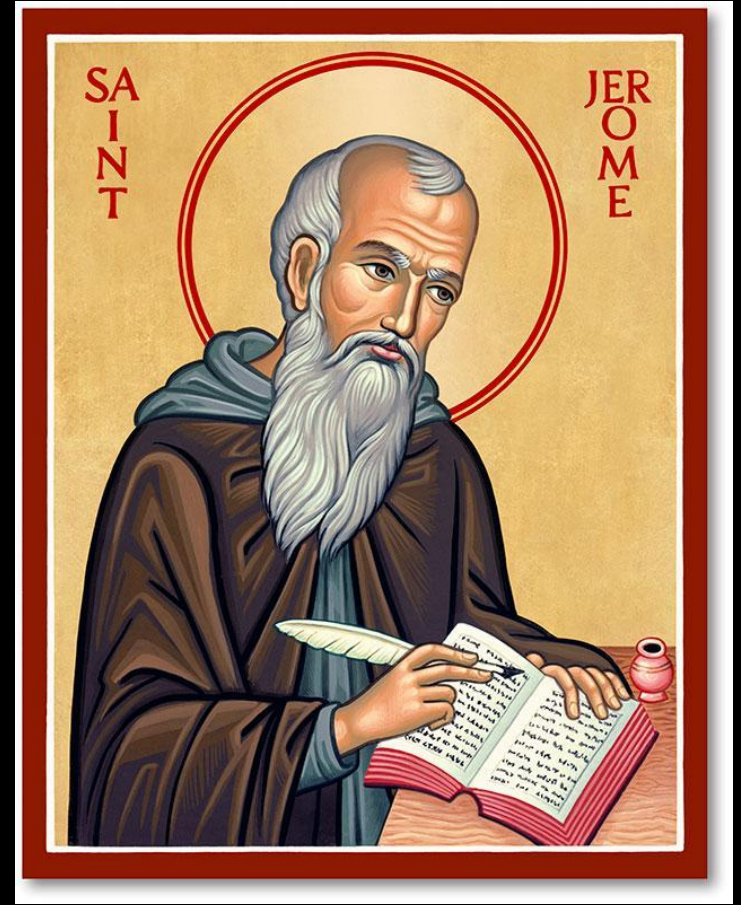




Isaiah “was more of an Evangelist than a Prophet, because he described all of the Mysteries of the Church of Christ so vividly that you would assume he was not prophesying about the future, but rather was composing a history of past events.



## **Three different aspects to prophecy:**

The “pointing arrow, predictive” element to prophecy (Isaiah 53)

The “typological” element to prophecy (Jonah 1-4, Daniel 6)

The “fading shadow” element to prophecy (Isaiah 43):  
the prophets anticipate the future in light of God’s saving activity in the past, and spiritualize it.

# The fading shadow element to prophecy

<b>OT history</b>	<b>Prophets' message</b>	<b>NT fulfillment</b>
Creation	A new creation is coming	Jesus
Exodus	A new exodus is coming	Jesus
Law/Temple	A new law and temple is coming	Jesus
David	A new David is coming	Jesus
Return to the land	A new return is coming	Jesus

**Today's Sermon: "Light up the Darkness"**  
**Passage: Isaiah 9:1-2 & Matthew 4:12-17**

# 1. God's Light

# Genesis 1:1-4

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

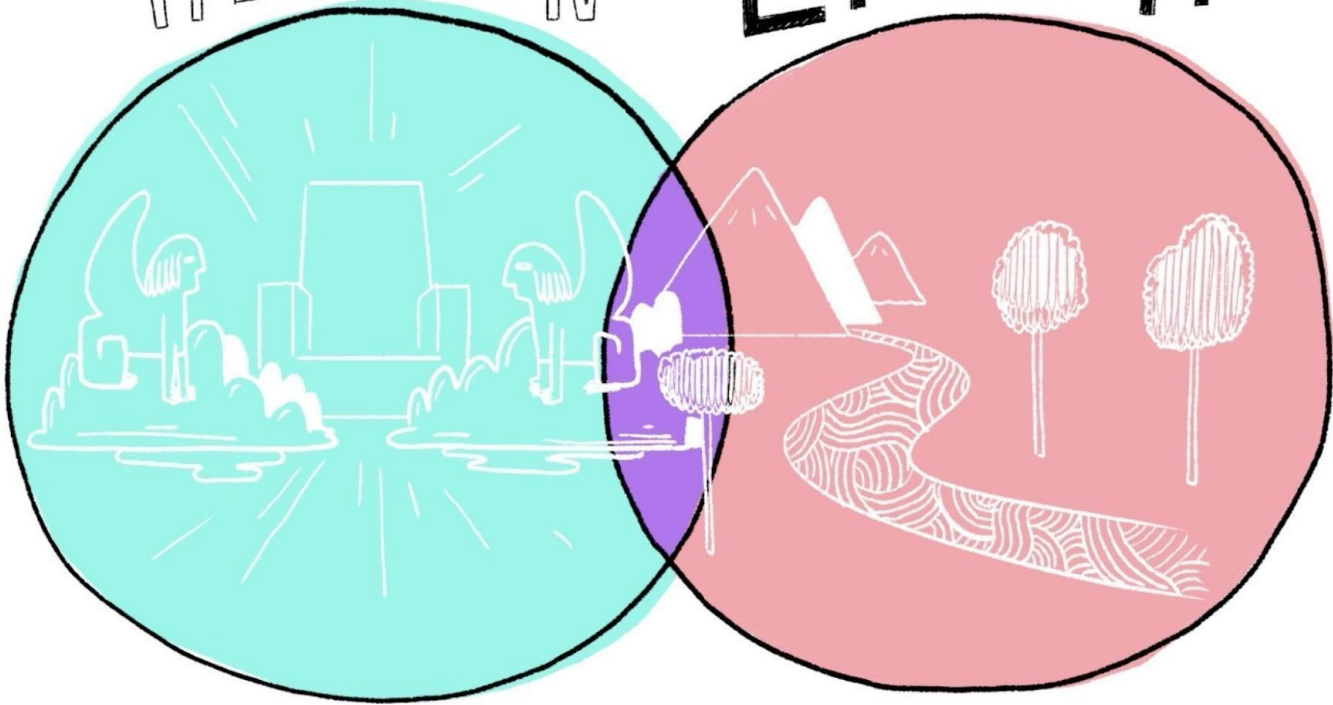
<sup>2</sup> Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

<sup>3</sup> And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light.

<sup>4</sup> God saw that the light was good, and he separated the light from the darkness.

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- 1. God's Light**
- 2. God's Light on Earth**

## Exodus 25:8-9

<sup>8</sup> “Then have them make a sanctuary for me, and I will dwell among them. <sup>9</sup> Make this tabernacle and all its furnishings exactly like the pattern I will show you.

The framed structure was covered by four layers of cloth and skin (Ex. 26:1-14).

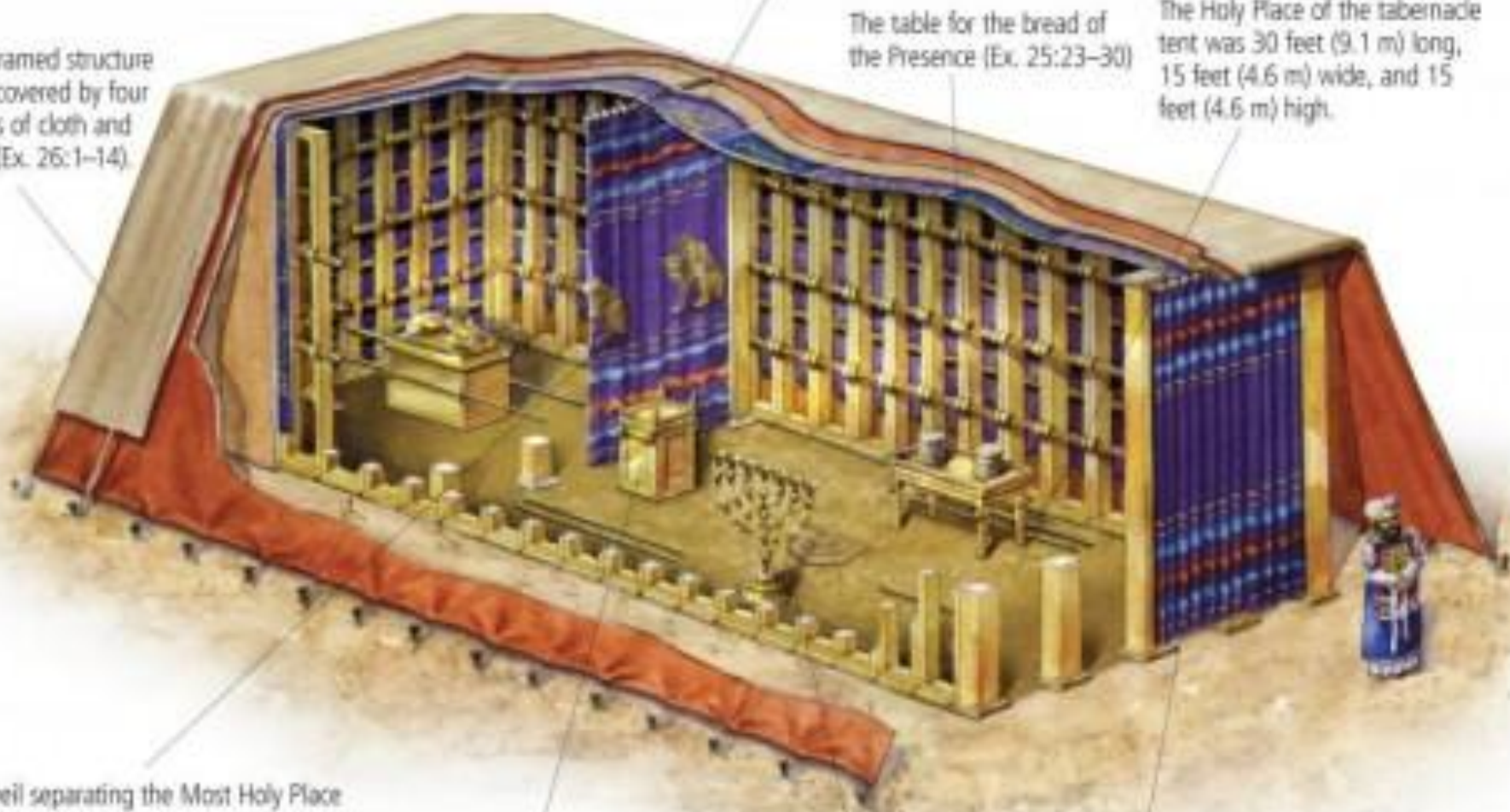
The table for the bread of the Presence (Ex. 25:23-30)

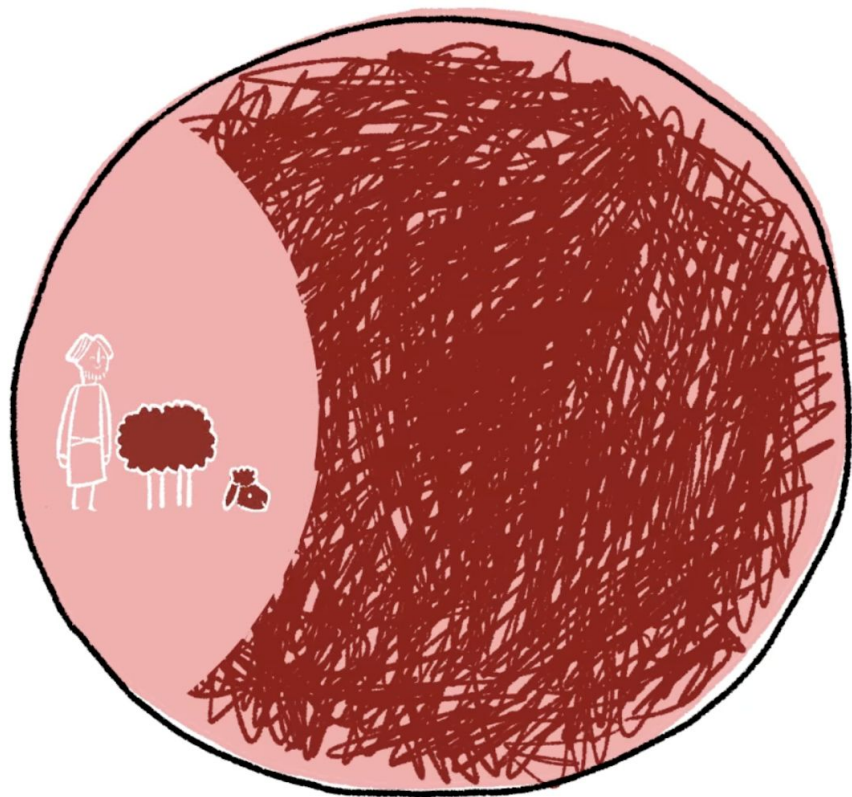
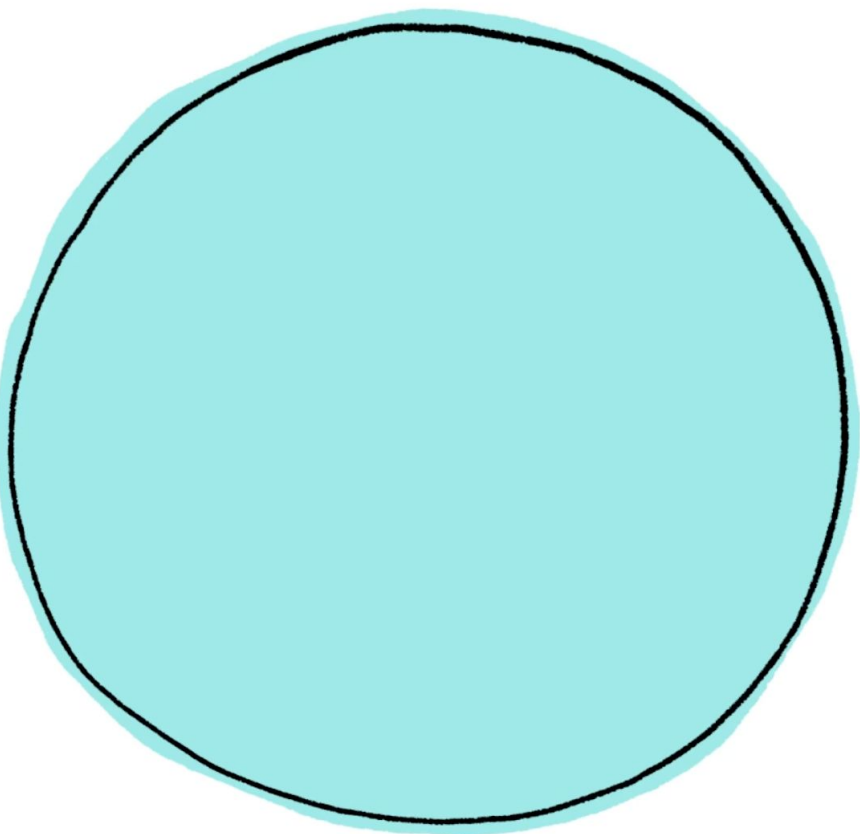
The Holy Place of the tabernacle tent was 30 feet (9.1 m) long, 15 feet (4.6 m) wide, and 15 feet (4.6 m) high.

The veil separating the Most Holy Place from the Holy Place was made from blue, purple, and scarlet dyed yarns woven with fine twined linen and embroidered

The altar of incense (Ex. 30:1-5; 37:25-29)

The gold that formed the interior to the





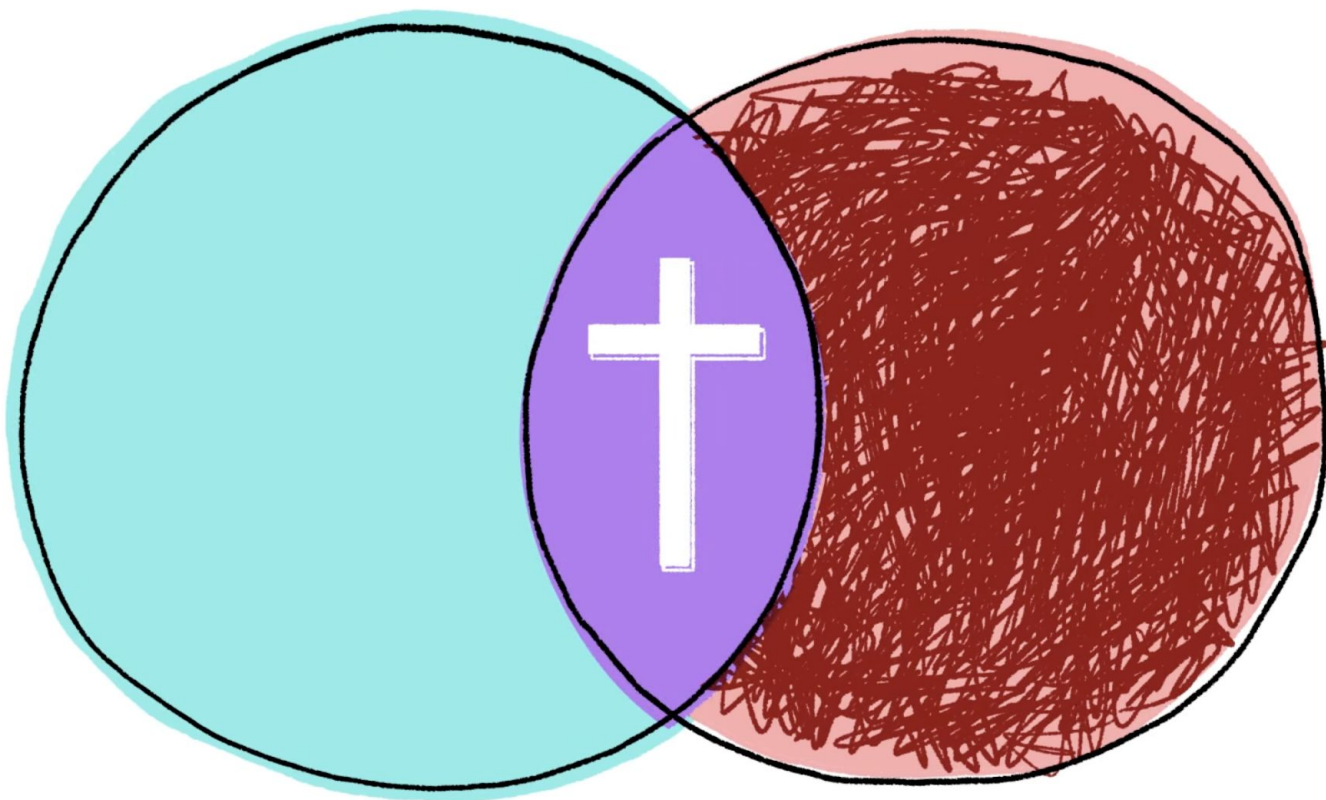
## Isaiah 9:1-2

Nevertheless, there will be no more gloom for those who were in distress. In the past he humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the future he will honor Galilee of the nations, by the Way of the Sea, beyond the Jordan—

<sup>2</sup> The people walking in darkness  
have seen a great light;  
on those living in the land of deep darkness  
a light has dawned.

- 1. God's Light**
- 2. God's Light on Earth**
- 3. God With Us**







# Matthew 4:12-17

<sup>12</sup> When Jesus heard that John had been put in prison, he withdrew to Galilee. <sup>13</sup> Leaving Nazareth, he went and lived in Capernaum, which was by the lake in the area of Zebulun and Naphtali — <sup>14</sup> to fulfill what was said through the prophet Isaiah:

# Matthew 4:12-17

<sup>15</sup> “Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali,  
the Way of the Sea, beyond the Jordan,  
Galilee of the Gentiles –

<sup>16</sup> the people living in darkness  
have seen a great light;  
on those living in the land of the shadow of death  
a light has dawned.”

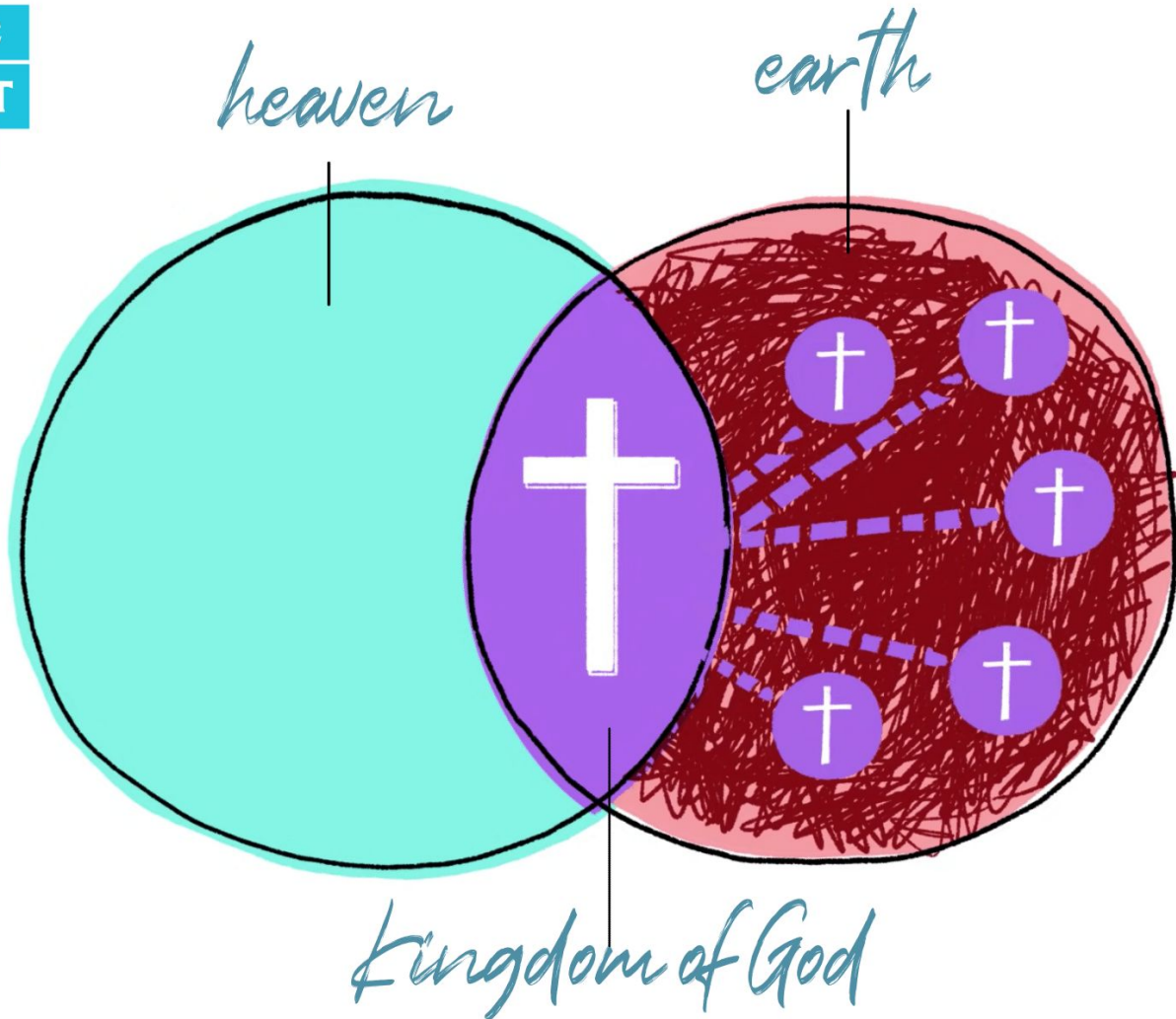
# Matthew 4:12-17

<sup>17</sup> From that time on Jesus began to preach, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

# John 1:1-5

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup> He was with God in the beginning. <sup>3</sup> Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. <sup>4</sup> In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. <sup>5</sup> The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

- 1. God's Light**
- 2. God's Light on Earth**
- 3. God With Us**
- 4. Proclaim the Light**



# 1 Peter 2:9-10

<sup>9</sup> But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. <sup>10</sup> Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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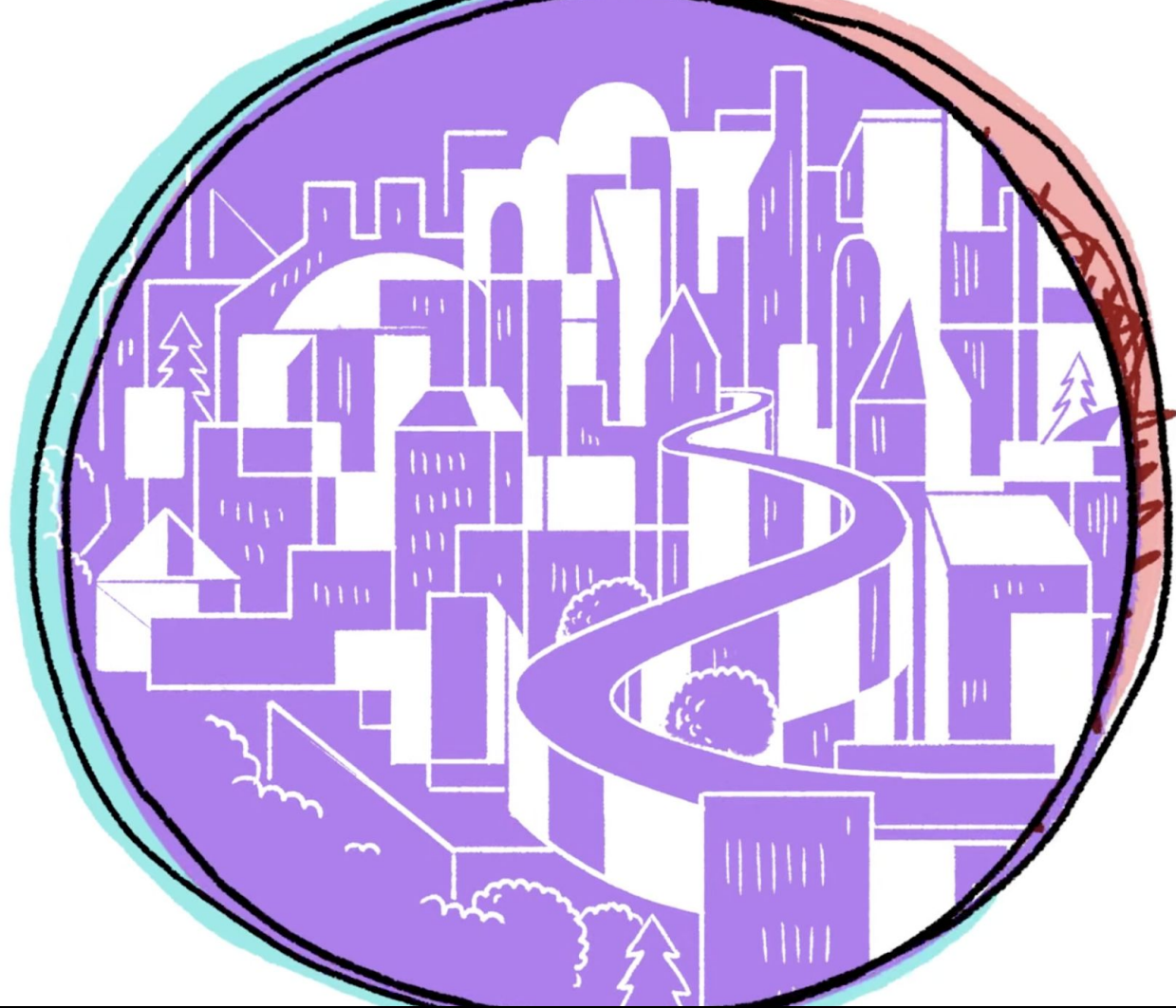


# 1 John 1:5-7

<sup>5</sup> This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. <sup>6</sup> If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth. <sup>7</sup> But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.



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- 2. God's Light on Earth**
- 3. God With Us**
- 4. Proclaim the Light**
- 5. Walk in the Light**
- 6. Dwell in the Light**



## Revelation 21:1-4

Then I saw “a new heaven and a new earth,” for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. <sup>2</sup> I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. <sup>3</sup> And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. <sup>4</sup> ‘He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death’ or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.”

## Revelation 21:22-26

<sup>22</sup> I did not see a temple in the city, because the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. <sup>23</sup> The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and the Lamb is its lamp. <sup>24</sup> The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their splendor into it. <sup>25</sup> On no day will its gates ever be shut, for there will be no night there. <sup>26</sup> The glory and honor of the nations will be brought into it.

# Gospel Application

Jesus is the light of the World!

In what area's are we not walking in the Light?

He will be our Light!