

Hindsight Is 2020

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Key Truth: The Lord of Light has overcome all the darkness that could ever fill our world.

We have experienced some pretty dark times over this past year, that may even extend into 2021. Yet, if we trust God's Word, we can be confident that even in the darkest times, the Light of Jesus Christ, breaks through that darkness.

DISCUSS

Read **John 1:1-5** and discuss with the group a statement or concept that stood out to you or impacted you in the sermon on "Hindsight is 2020."

DIG IN

1. Looking back with Thanksgiving.

A. The Lord of Light has overcome our darkest Fears.

Based on your current knowledge of Scripture, name some ways God assured people in the Bible not to be afraid.

In what ways does Jesus Christ calm our fears?

B. The Lord of Light has overcome our darkest Anger.

In what ways can anger grow into bitterness? How does Christ's word soften our hearts?

C. The Lord of Light has overcome our darkest Frustrations.

What are some ways we tend to express our frustrations?

Read Isaiah 26:3-4: In what ways can this truth help combat those frustrations?

D. The Lord of Light has overcome our darkest Loss.

Read 1 Corinthians 15:54-57: In what ways do these verses encourage us when we experience great loss in life?

E. The Lord of Light has overcome our darkest Sin.

Why is it important that we realize all our problems are a result of sin? In what ways does that realization help to combat our fears, angers, and frustrations?

In what ways has the Lord of Light conquered the things that trouble us? In what ways will he do so in the future?

2. Looking forward with Hope

What events over this past year remind you that there is still hope?

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In what practical ways will you, in the coming year, draw upon the grace of Jesus Christ, the Lord of Light, in order to combat the troubles that will come?