Sermon Study Guide - December 18th, 2022

Today's Focus: "Don't Be Afraid to Ask"

- 1) Thoughts to get you started...
 - When might you be afraid to ask a question? Might it be because you've done something wrong? You're embarrassed by something? You don't think it'll help anything?
 - When are we afraid to go to God for help? Why shouldn't we be afraid? How should Christmas change our perspective?
- 2) Today's Message: Isaiah 7:2-14 (entire text in bulletin)

¹⁰ Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, ¹¹ "Ask the Lord your God for a sign, whether in the deepest depths or in the highest heights." ¹² But Ahaz said, "I will not ask; I will not put the Lord to the test." ¹³ Then Isaiah said, "Hear now, you house of David! Is it not enough to try the patience of humans? Will you try the patience of my God also? ¹⁴ Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.

3) What does God want you to know today?

Throughout the sermon, consider...

How does today's sermon show you your sin? (i.e. What's the law?) How does today's sermon show your Savior? (i.e. What's the gospel?)

<u>Law</u>: <u>Gospel</u>:

How does today's sermon change how you want to live your life?