

Wonderful

Isaiah 9:6 (KJV)

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Giving Honor to God, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit. To All of God's Sons, Daughters, and Children. Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow Big Bethel Nation. Let's turn to Isaiah 9:6 (KJV) as we lift up the Name of the Lord. The sermon topic is "Wonderful."

Isaiah 9:6 is a prophecy about a future child who would bear the government on his shoulders and be called by titles that could only rightfully be attributed to God. The prophet speaks to people living in three different periods. He speaks to those before the Babylonian exile, during the Babylonian exile, and after the Babylonian exile. As we take a glimpse into chapter 9 (Isaiah), the prophet is speaking to the southern kingdom of Israel (Judah) before the Babylonian exile. You see Judah is being pressured by Israel and Syria to form a coalition against Assyria. The king of Judah (Ahaz) is afraid to go against Assyria, so he sends a king's ransom to Assyria because he needs their help. Isaiah spoke life into Judah's feelings of powerlessness, as they feared the Assyrians and the rulers to their north. As their enemies seemed to grow in strength, Judah was struggling with their inability to understand if God was for them or against them or if He had abandoned them.

Isaiah shared a prophetic vision about their future defeat, exile, return, and he included prophetic visions about a child who would represent God Almighty's presence and have the holy responsibility of governing the people of God. It's important to note that this particular child would be referred to as Wonderful Counselor and Prince of Peace, which seemed applicable to a human being, but the other two descriptions are references that could only be attributed to God, such as Mighty God and Everlasting Father. The Israelites had no concept of incarnation. They weren't expecting God to be born and live among them, but does anyone know that we serve a miracle working God? The names and titles of God reminded

the Israelites and all of us today about who our God really is. What are you talking about preacher? Thank You. I'm so glad you asked. God is So Amazingly Awesome that the revelation of who He is oftentimes too much for us to even image, so He simplifies it for us. What I mean is He has the ability to be exactly what He knows we need. Wait a minute, let me explain.

You may be hungry, so God will be your bread. You may need a healing, so God will be your doctor in the sick room. He will be your Jehovah-Rapha (The Lord who heals). You may need guidance, so God will be your shepherd, Jehovah-Rohi (The Lord my shepherd). You may feel all alone, and you may feel that you are fighting a battle and you feel a little tired. I came to let you know that you can turn your battle over to the Lord Our God. The Bible says, "And so it was, when Moses held up his hand, that Israel prevailed; and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed. But Moses' hands became heavy; so, they took a stone and put it under him, and he sat on it. And Aaron and Hur supported his hands, one on one side, and the other on the other side" (Exodus 17:11-12). Joshua won the battle, and as Moses interceded on the mountain, the Amalekites were defeated. Verse 15 says, "And Moses built an altar and called its name, The-Lord-Is-My-Banner." In Hebrew, that is *Jehovah-Nissi*. *Does anybody need Jehovah-Nissi?*

You may just want to be blessed and sanctified. Did you know? O my God. Leviticus 20:7-8 says, "Consecrate yourselves therefore, and be holy, for I am the Lord your God. And you shall keep My statutes, and perform them: I am the Lord who sanctifies you." The phrase is: Jehovah-M'Kaddesh. That means "the God who sanctifies," the God who makes holy, the God who sets us apart for Himself and perfects that which concerns us. (I feel my help coming on. Yeah-Yeahhhh, O'oooo, O' Good God ALMIGHTY!!!)

I just know, that when I'm thirsty, God will be my water flowing into everlasting life. I came to understand that when others forsake me, God will never leave me nor forsake me. He will be right there. Our God is the Lord of Glory (1 Corinthians 2:8). Our God is The Almighty (Revelation 1:8). Our God is Heir of All Things (Hebrews 1:1-4). Our God is The Faithful Witness (Psalm 89:36-37). Our God is The God of Abraham, Jacob, and Isaac (Exodus 3:2, 6). Our God is Jehovah-Tsidkenu: The Lord Who Is Righteous (Jeremiah 23:5-6). Our God is The Rock That Is Higher Than I (Psalm 61:2). Our God is A Sure Foundation (Isaiah 28:16). Our God is the Alpha

and Omega (Revelation 22:13). Our God is the Messiah (Daniel 9:25). Our God is **Wonderful**, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace (Isaiah 9:6). And you know what? Verse 7 says “Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.” Who could imagine a king? Jesus, O yes, He is... Jesus is Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, The everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace. He’s Wonderful, Wonderful, Wonderful.