

JESUS, WONDERFUL COUNSELOR

Isaiah 9:6 For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the avernment shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

OVERVIEW

In Isaiah 9:6. Jesus is referred to as the Wonderful Counselor. This means Jesus is well beyond our understanding. He inspires awe in those around, and is never lacking in wisdom or love for us. Jesus counsels his people in a way that is much more profound than how a modern therapist would. The word or deed of Christ in the Gospels frequently both comforts the afflicted and afflicts the comfortable. Jesus knows our suffering, and will walk beside us in our own brokenness.

TODAY'S VERSES:

Isaiah 9:6 Judges 13:18 Matthew 5:4, 11-12 Luke 6:27 Matthew 5:48

Hebrews 4:15 1 Kings 4:34 Micah 4:9 John 2:25 Proverbs 3:6

John 8:4, 7-11 Romans 5:8 Deuteronomy 4:29 James 1:5 Psalm 38:3-8 Matthew 11:28

JESUS, WONDERFUL COUNSELOR DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

DISCUSSION

What are some things you call wonderful?

What is an example of some of the worst or best counseling you have ever received?

EXPLANATION

Do you agree with the diagnosis of the human condition that was presented in the sermon?

Pride is often at the root of many problems, do you find it easy to abandon your pride and humble yourself? Why or why not.

Have you ever felt God is distant and does not care about your problems? If yes, when was that time in your life?

When do you feel closest to God?

APPLICATION

James 1:5 says, "If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you."

Have you ever asked God for wisdom? What was the result?

MISSION

How can we give counsel to others?

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

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ELEMENT BOARD MTG. Monday 6:30pm

ELEMENT BUSINESS MTG. January 26th, Dinner at 4pm

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES Tuesdays: 6:30pm Wednesdays: Starts 9/22, 9:30am

GOSPEL CLASS Begins February 2nd, 9:30am