

Silver Creek Fellowship NOTES

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WHAT A NAME WONDERFUL COUNSELOR

Isaiah 9:6-7 (NIV) “For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David’s throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this.”

Isaiah 7:14 (ASV) “Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.”

LIFE POINT:

In sending Jesus, God was dealing with our problem at its root.

THREE SYNONYMS FOR “WONDERFUL”:

1. His name is amazing.

Matthew 7:28-29 (NIV) “When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, because he taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law.”

2. His name is awesome.

Exodus 15:11 (NIV) “Who among the gods is like you, Lord? Who is like you—majestic in holiness, awesome in glory, working wonders?”

Psalms 111:9 (NIV) “He provided redemption for his people; he ordained his covenant forever—holy and awesome is his name.”

3. His name is astonishing.

Matthew 12:23 (NIV) “All the people were astonished and said, ‘Could this be the Son of David?’”

Isaiah 11:2 (NIV) “The Spirit of the Lord will rest on him—the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of might, the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the Lord—”

TWO SYNONYMS FOR “COUNSELOR”:

1. He is our advisor.

Psalms 16:7 (NIV) “I will praise the Lord, who counsels me; even at night my heart instructs me.”

James 1:5 (NIV) “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.”

2. He is our advocate.

Hebrews 4:14-16 (NIV) “Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. Let us then approach God’s throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.”

1 John 2:1 (NIV) “My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.”

HOW DOES HE COUNSEL US?

1. Through prayer.

Philippians 4:6-7 (NIV) “Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”

2. Through His Spirit.

John 14:26 (AMP) “But the Helper (Comforter, Advocate, Intercessor—Counselor, Strengthener, Standby), the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name [in My place, to represent Me and act on My behalf], He will teach you all things. And He will help you remember everything that I have told you.”

3. Through His Word.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 (NIV) “All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.”

Psalms 1:1-3 (NLT) “Oh, the joys of those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or stand around with sinners, or join in with mockers. But they delight in the law of the Lord, meditating on it day and night. They are like trees planted along the riverbank, bearing fruit each season. Their leaves never wither, and they prosper in all they do.”

4. Through His church.

Colossians 2:2-3 (NIV) “My goal is that they may be encouraged in heart and united in love, so that they may have the full riches of complete understanding, in order that they may know the mystery of God, namely, Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.”

Psalms 32:8 (NIV) “I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you.”

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