

June 29

Isaiah 7-9

In Isaiah 9 we find one of the most vivid pictures of Jesus in the whole Old Testament. The gist of this section leading up to this great prophecy is this: Israel is going to suffer from Assyria and Egypt – and primarily Assyria. Assyria is going to overwhelm her, crush her, and lay her low. But after the darkness is going to come a great light to dispel the darkness. First in the North, then all over land. The rod of the oppressor will be broken and a child will be born. This child will bear marvelous names and will rule over the full kingdom of David in justice and righteousness forever. Of course, this child is ultimately, Jesus.

Wonderful

- In relation to the Father and the Spirit
- In creation
- Toward his people
- Take some time to worship him for being wonderful

Counselor

- He is the “logos” the very Word of God. He is the source of truth and wisdom
- He is our counselor
- Do you need counsel on something? Do you need wisdom? Go to the counselor.
- Worship Jesus for being your counselor.

Mighty God

- What would be done by the coming child could be done by no one less than God himself.
- To reconcile a fallen world to God... To overcome sin and death...
- The prophets may not have had a complete theology of the trinity – but they certainly anticipated the incarnation...
- Worship God that he became man, for you.

Everlasting Father

- Not only would the son be wonderful, a counselor, and a might God, but he would say, “Call me dad.”
- A perfect dad. A protecting and providing dad.
- Romans 8, Galatians 4.
- A dad forever.
- Worship Jesus for being an everlasting father.

Prince of Peace

- In the hearts of those who trust him.

- Through the lives of his people, building his kingdom
- Ultimately, at the end of time, when he does away with all evil and pain.
- Worship Jesus as the prince of peace.