Christmas23 - From Heaven To Earth² "Hope Has a Name" Isaiah 9:6-7 12-10-23

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

- "For to us a child is born." This describes his birth as a baby
- "To us a son is given." Jesus is God's son given as a gift

He speaks to us as "Wonderful Counselor."

Judges 13:18 "Why do you ask my name, seeing it is wonderful?"

Psalm 77:14: "You are the God who works wonders; you have made known your might among the peoples."

Psalm 16:7: "I bless the Lord who gives me counsel."

Q: Is Jesus your Wonderful Counselor? Are you willing to follow Christ without conditions?

He stands for us as "Mighty God."

Psalm 24:8: "Who is this King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle."

Luke 1:37: "For nothing is impossible with God."

Q: Are you trusting in your own strength or are you ready to make Him your Mighty God?

He sits near us as "Everlasting Father."

Isaiah 57:15: "For thus says the One who is high and lifted up, who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: 'I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite."

Psalm 103:13: "As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him."

Q: Have you put your faith in the Everlasting Father? Will you allow Him to sit next to you?

He satisfies within as "Prince of Peace."

Luke 2:14: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace goodwill toward men."

Isaiah 26:3: "You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on You, because he trusts in You."

The New Testament describes at least three spheres of peace:

- **Peace with God** that's the vertical dimension
- Peace of God this takes place internally
- **Peace with others** happens horizontally

Q: Are you out of sorts with God? Are you all shaken up on the inside? Are your relationships with others severed?

Isaiah 9:7: "Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore."