

## Light in Darkness | 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.

### The Incarnation

1. Hope through the Incarnation
2. Grace through the Incarnation

### The Names Given to Jesus

1. Wonderful Counselor
2. Mighty God
3. Everlasting Father
4. Prince of Peace

### The Second Advent

1. Isaiah looks toward the first advent of Christ; we celebrate His first advent; and we rest in the hope and arrival of His second advent.
  - "If God had perceived that our greatest need was economic, He would have sent an economist. If He had perceived that our greatest need was entertainment, He would have sent us a comedian or an artist. If God has perceived that our greatest need was political stability, He would have sent us a politician. If He had perceived that our greatest need was health, He would have sent us a doctor. But He perceived that our greatest need involved our sin, our alienation from Him, our profound rebellion, our death, and He sent us a Savior." (D.A. Carson)

## Benediction | Colossians 1:15-20

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities – all things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything He might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross.