

Our Magnificent Savior Isa 9:6-7

6 For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. 7 Of the increase of His government and peace There will be no end, Upon the throne of David and over His kingdom, To order it and establish it with judgment and justice From that time forward, even forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.

Last week we looked at part of this passage and we want to continue this morning looking at our magnificent Savior.

I. Mighty God

A. This is one of the many instances in which the name God is applied to the Messiah;

1. John 1:1 (NKJV) In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God
2. Romans 9:5 (NKJV) of whom *are* the fathers and from whom, according to the flesh, Christ *came*, who is over all, *the* eternally blessed God. Amen.;
3. 1 John 5:20 (NKJV) And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us an understanding, that we may know Him who is true; and we are in Him who is true, in His Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God and eternal life.
4. John 20:28 (NKJV) And Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!"
5. 1 Timothy 3:16 (NKJV) And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifested in the flesh, Justified in the Spirit, Seen by angels, Preached among the Gentiles, Believed on in the world, Received up in glory.
6. Hebrews 1:8 (NKJV) But to the Son *He says*: "*Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your Kingdom.* The name 'mighty God,' is unquestionably attributed to the true God in
7. Isaiah 10:21 (NKJV) The remnant will return, the remnant of Jacob, To the Mighty God

B. The Evidence of the power of God is all around us.

1. A person cannot look into the heaven and not see God.
 - a. Ps 19:1 The heavens declare the glory of God; And the firmament shows His handiwork.
 - b. The wonder of creation, of the way God made us.

2. Col 1: 15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. 16 For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. 17 And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.
3. Col 1:17 And, he, is before all, and, they all, in him, hold together; ROTH
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II. Everlasting Father

A. This does not mean that Jesus is the Father.

1. John Gill says, “ indeed Christ and the Father are one, and the Father is in him, and he is in the Father, and he that has seen the one has seen the other, and yet they are distinct, Christ is not the Father;”
2. Again he says, “It is easy to make it appear Christ is not the Father, but is distinct from him, since he is said to be with the Father from eternity, to be the Son of the Father in truth and love, his own Son, his only begotten and beloved Son; Christ frequently calls the first Person his Father, prayed to him as such, and is our advocate with him, as well as the way unto him; he is said to be sent by the Father, to come from him, and to go to him; and many things are said of Christ that cannot be said of the Father, as his being made flesh, suffering and dying in the room of his people; and the Father is said to do many things unto him, as to anoint him, to seal him, to show him all he did, to commit all judgment to him, and give him to have life in himself as he had:”

B. But rather this could be translated Father of eternity.

1. This is the way Darby and Young translates it.
 - a. 6 For a Child hath been born to us, A Son hath been given to us, And the princely power is on his shoulder, And He doth call his name Wonderful, Counsellor, Mighty God, Father of Eternity, Prince of Peace. YLT
 - b. 6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder; and his name is called Wonderful, Counsellor, Mighty *God, Father of Eternity, Prince of Peace. Darby
 - c. 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 [of Eternity], Prince of Peace. AMP
2. The idea then is that Jesus is the eternal one, author or father of eternity.

- a. We are so finite beings.
- b. We are controlled by time, we live by time, we die by time.
- c. It is hard to conceive of eternity, the continuing existence of which time is only an infinitely small section of.
- d. Isa 57:15 For thus says the High and Lofty One Who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy:
- e. Ac 15:18 "Known to God from eternity are all His works.
- f. Isa 57:15 For thus says the High and Lofty One Who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: "I dwell in the high and holy place, With him who has a contrite and humble spirit, To revive the spirit of the humble, And to revive the heart of the contrite ones.

III. Prince of Peace.

- A. Most of us have a longing for peace.
 1. Peace that is genuine and lasting.
 2. Some think that Jesus will have peace by just letting everyone do what they want, but that is what we have now.
 3. He will bring in peace because he will rule with a rod of iron, or as we would say an iron hand.
- B. There will be peace because God's will will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
- C. When Jesus returns as the prince of peace and puts down all rebellion then there will be peace in this world.
- D. But you can have peace today.
 1. If you will put Jesus as Lord of your life.