



SERIES BIG IDEA:

**Jesus came so all people can call upon God and trust in Him.**

<sup>2</sup> The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned... <sup>6</sup> 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. <sup>7</sup> 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 9:2, 6-7 (NIV)

- **Jesus is not the Father, but He shares the same character as the Father. (John 14:9)**
- **Jesus is the perfect reflection of the Father in Heaven. (John 14:10)**
- **Jesus is in perfect unity with the Father in Heaven.**
- **Jesus' life on earth shows us the heart of the Father in Heaven.**

**Anthropomorphism: to conceive God in human terms.**

**ASSESSMENT OF ISRAEL:**

- **Rebellious (Isaiah 1:2)**
- **Dismissive of God's presence. (Isaiah 1:3)**
- **Emotionally burdened. (Isaiah 1:4)**
- **Heart sick. (Isaiah 1:5)**
- **Economically poor. (Isaiah 1:7)**
- **Spiritually prideful. (Isaiah 1:13)**

Wash yourselves and be clean! Get your sins out of my sight. Give up your evil ways. "Come now, let's settle this," says the LORD.

Isaiah 1:16 (NLT)

"Though your sins are like scarlet, I will make them as white as snow. Though they are red like crimson, I will make them as white as wool.

Isaiah 1:18 (NLT)

**Jesus settles our brokenness with His sacrifice so we have the chance to become children of God.**

**ROLE OF THE EVERLASTING FATHER:**

- **Through Jesus, the Everlasting Father pays the penalty for all my impurities.**

<sup>21</sup> ...See how Jerusalem, once so faithful, has become a prostitute. <sup>22</sup> Once like pure silver, you have become like worthless slag... <sup>25</sup> I will melt you down and skim off your slag. I will remove all your impurities.

Isaiah 1:21-22, 25 (NLT)

- **The Everlasting Father revives my spirit through repentance.**

<sup>27</sup> Zion will be restored by justice; those who repent will be revived by righteousness. <sup>28</sup> But rebels and sinners will be completely destroyed, and those who desert the LORD will be consumed.

Isaiah 1:27-28 (NLT)



- **The Everlasting Father leads me to freedom and rest.**

*For a child is born to us, a son is given to us. The government will rest on his shoulders.*

Isaiah 9:6 (NLT)

TEACHING BIG IDEA:

**Jesus reveals that I can trust my Heavenly Father by surrendering to Him.**

**Surrender is repentance, faithfulness, and resting.**

**Prayer:**

**Heavenly Father, help my friend surrender this to you and find rest.**



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**TEACHING SUMMARY:**

Jesus is called the Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace.

Jesus perfectly reflects the Father in heaven. He has three prominent roles which invite us to a response of surrender. These three roles will allow Jesus to "settle" and heal our brokenness, just like the people of Israel in Isaiah's time.

Whatever struggle you have in this advent season, Jesus teaches us that we can trust Him. There is no brokenness we can experience that is too big for our Eternal Father to help us in. Jesus' life and sacrifice provides a perfect picture of how our Father in Heaven sees us as His creation. He loves us.

This advent season is the perfect time to surrender all things to Jesus, and let Him give you new life in return.

**TALK-IT-OVER:**

What human terms have you tried to use to describe God?

How does it feel to hear that Jesus was given for us?

How does knowing the heart of the Father, through Jesus, help you trust God more?

What is one next step you need to take today?

Who do you need to tell about what you've learned?

**DAILY SCRIPTURE READING:**

Day 1) Isaiah 1:10-28

Day 2) John 10:25-30

Day 3) Acts 2:37-39

Day 4) Romans 8:1-17

Day 5) John 17:6-19

Day 6) Ephesians 2:1-10