## "The Ultimate Gift" Isaiah 9:6 Christmas Morning Services December 20, 2015

"This Birth Announcement" Contains 5 Names given to Jesus that describe Jesus as "The Ultimate, and Greatest Gift of All!"

I saiah looked into the Future and saw the Messiah's <u>Nature</u> and <u>Mission</u> and drew word pictures of Him through the names.

Matthew 1:21

"will be born" - Not man becoming God! "God Coming In The Flesh."

He was "<u>given</u>" – Jesus Christ was the Father's Love Gift to this sinful world.

We are going to look at <u>5 Names</u> that were given to Jesus:

### <u>1. Wonderful</u> – Jesus Is The Answer To The Dullness Of Life.

Matthew 18:3

#### Wonder vs. Novelty:

Novelty: Electronic gadgets

Communications

Our Residence – Appliances like washers that can sense the colors; how soiled.

<u>Wonder</u>: What is Wonder? The word "wonderful" – "to separate, to distinguish"; "being unique and different."

This Involves Depth – It changes the person enriching them and never leaving them the same.

It Creates an Attitude of Humility – Psalms 8:3-4

True Wonder Involves the Whole Person – mind, heart, and will. If not, it is just a novelty or surprise.

#### Why is there so Little Wonder in our World Today?

We live in a Mechanical World.

We live in a Commercial World.

We live in a Busy World.

We live in an Artificial World.

The Greatest Substitute is Sin.

# The dullness of life is not caused by the circumstances of life around me but the <u>condition of my heart inside me</u>!

## 2. Counselor – Jesus Takes Care Of The Decisions Of Life.

John 6:68

He is called "Counselor" – this tells us that we are in need of counsel.

The Heart is Selfish and Deceitful.

Jeremiah 10:23

Jeremiah 17:9

The Mind is also Extremely Limited.

Romans 12:2

# When we ask for Counsel, we are not asking for Luxury but a Necessity.

Jesus Has All Wisdom - Col. 2:3, 9

Jesus Encourages us – Psalm 46:1

Jesus is Patient with us – John 16:12

How does Jesus give us this counsel?

Through His Word. Psalm 119:24; 98-100.

3. The Mighty God – Jesus Takes Care Of The Demands Of Life.

Jesus was <u>declared to be God</u>. He <u>was worshipped</u>, He <u>performed</u> <u>miracles</u>, He demonstrated <u>His power by the resurrection</u>, John 10:18.

Philippians 4:19

2 Corinthians 12:7-10

2 Chron. 16:9

"whose heart is completely His." – a <u>devoted heart</u> to Him; Heart that is trusting.

Ephesians 3:20

### <u>4. The Everlasting Father</u> – Jesus Takes Care Of The Dimensions Of Life.

"Father" – OT use means "originator of, or author of".

Jesus called Satan "The father of lies", John 8:44.

Jesus is called "The Everlasting Father". He is the Father – Originator – of Eternity!"

John 6:68

John 3:16

When Jesus was born, time and eternity met in a person.

When Jesus died, time and eternity met in a price – paid for sin.

Jesus controls time.

1 John 2:17

A whole new dimension of eternity; we begin to live a whole new life with Jesus Christ.

5. Prince Of Peace – Jesus Takes Care Of The Disturbances Of Life.

Peace comes from the inside out, not from the outside in. It depends upon who is in control, Self or Christ.

"Peace" – From The New Birth – Col. 1:20

Romans 5:1

Jesus Offers Peace And Companionship – John 14:27

## Application:

- 1. Wonderful Jesus is wonderful and takes the Dullness out of life.
- 2. Counselor Jesus will take care of the Decisions of Life.
- **3. The Mighty God –** Jesus, who can meet the Demands of Life.
- 4. The Everlasting Father Jesus takes care of the Dimensions of life.
- 5. Prince Of Peace Jesus will give peace from the Disturbances of life.

"When we have Christ and His presence, it is that which truly makes Christmas!"