

What's in the Gift called Christmas

Isaiah 9:6

Introduction:

Christmas – is the celebration of the birth of Christ Jesus the anointed King who came to redeem the lost World.

“We often try to figure out what a gift is that has been given to us before unwrapping it. God is faithful to never leave His people guessing about who He is...”

I. 1st Hint a Child is Born v. 6a

- a. Isaiah looked across centuries to a time when God would rule on Earth through His Son
- b. For a Child is born to us – emphasized Jesus’ humanity Heb 4:15

II. 2nd Hint A Son is Given v. 6b

- a. It implies Jesus’ Deity
- b. Jesus was God in the flesh Phil 2:6-7

III. 3rd Hint The Government will be on His Shoulders v.6c

- a. This affirms Jesus’ Lordship
- b. Christ will rule the Earth Zech 14:9

****God Reveals Who He is to His People****

IV. 1st Name “Wonderful Counselor v. 6d

- a. “Wonderful” means – astonishing or extraordinary

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- b. "Counselor" means – Advisor or ideal ruler
- c. Jesus is a reliable counselor
- d. Jesus goes to no one for advice Rom 11:34-36

V. 2nd Name Mighty God v.6e

- b. A statement of Jesus' Deity and His Power of Accomplishment
- c. The baby in the manger is not just the Son of God, He is also God the Son Col 2:9
- d. God fights for His people Rom 8:31

VI. 3rd Name Everlasting Father v. 6f

- e. Jesus is before, above, and beyond time
- f. He is a Father to His people
- g. Jesus is our Eternal Father Heb 1:10-12

VII. 4th Name Prince of Peace v.6g

- h. The Hebrew literally means "The Prince Whose Coming Brings Peace."
- i. Prince – speaks of Jesus' high position
- j. Peace – speaks of His basic nature
- k. He is the ultimate man of Peace
 - i. His coming made peace with God Rom 5:1
 - ii. Those who come to Him find peace Phil 4:7
 - iii. His second coming will usher in a kingdom of Peace