

THE NAME THAT CHANGES EVERYTHING

ISAIAH 9:6

MAIN TAKEAWAY

Jesus is the name above all names—He changes everything!

INTRODUCTION

What's in a name? What does your name mean?

There is power in the name of Jesus—the name that literally divides time. How have you experienced the power of hearing or saying the name of Jesus?

UNDERSTANDING

READ ISAIAH 9:6

This verse reveals vital insight into the name, purpose, and work of Jesus. How does it provide both a heavenly and earthly perspective?

The birth of Jesus was not His beginning—Jesus is God in the flesh (John 1:1, 14). Why is it essential to know that Jesus willingly chose to leave the glory of Heaven to enter our world as the Messiah and Savior?

***Jesus' name is Wonderful—this takes care of the dullness of this life (Luke 2:18).* How does knowing Jesus add wonder and excitement to your life? How can you describe the truth that Jesus is wonderful beyond comprehension?**

***Jesus' name is Counselor—this takes care of the decisions of life.* How does this truth remind you that God has a plan for your life? What does it look like to practically seek God's wisdom (Psalm 73:24; 2 Timothy 3:16-17)? Why might we look for guidance in all the wrong places, and how can we correct this?**

Jesus' name is Mighty God—this takes care of the demands of life (Matthew 28:18). In what ways can you embrace God's power to both save you and sustain you? Why do we often lean on our power instead of God?

Jesus' name is Everlasting Father—this takes care of the future of life. How does Jesus provide fatherly care for His people (Matthew 28:20)? How does this give you everlasting hope?

Jesus' name is Prince of Peace—this takes care of the disturbances of life. How does Jesus provide peace to His people (John 16:33)? What does God's peace do to you, and how have you experienced this (Philippians 4:6-7)?

APPLICATION

Jesus is the name above all names (Philippians 2:6-11). What kind of response does this evoke, either in present obedience or future judgment? How has "the name that changes everything" changed your life?

Pastor Greg explained that the names of Jesus in Isaiah 9:6 provide answers for our disillusionment, confusion, weakness, loneliness, and turmoil. Which one comforts you the most in this season of your life? Why?

This message concluded the *Jesus & You 2* series, where we considered Christ in the Old Testament. What was your biggest takeaway from this series? How can the truths of this series help prepare you for the Christmas season?

PRAYER

Give thanks for who Jesus is—Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace. Seek the Lord with wonder and excitement. Bring your requests to the Lord and trust His wisdom, power, care, and peace.