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WEEKLY MINISTRY MEDITATIONS

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Jesus, Our Wonderful Counselor

ISAIAH 9:6 NIV – (6) 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.

Why do we need a Counselor? Let me suggest three reasons why the world (and we) need a "Wonderful Counselor":

- The world is often a confusing and an overwhelming place. We need someone to help us get through the fog.
- We have a sin problem that we cannot handle by ourselves. We may try to be good but we fail. We need someone who can do for us what we cannot do for ourselves. We need someone who can lead us to salvation and new life.
- We yearn for a relationship with God. Some people don't realize it but they are searching for meaning and purpose in their life. They are seeking the Almighty. We need someone who can lead us to Him.

Jesus would be that Counselor that is greater than we could begin to comprehend. Jesus knows the appropriate prescription for the problem. He is the wisest Counselor because His wisdom comes from the throne room of Heaven. Christ will solve your problem by following the Fathers will.

Jesus does three things when we turn to Him for advice. **First**, He tells us the truth. **Second**, Jesus tells us to trust what He has done for us. **Third**, our Counselor gives us a prescription for life that will help us continue to live a spiritually healthy life. The counsel of Jesus is superb. He understands our situation and has addressed it with love and wisdom. Oh, the bill is already paid in full!

But let me remind you that even the Wonderful Counselor cannot help you unless you are willing to be helped. Is it possible that Jesus is the one you have been looking for? Maybe it is time to stop running and instead stop and listen to the Wonderful Counselor. He has helped me and I know He will help you as well.

SCRIPTURE READING

JUDGES 13:18

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"All change comes from deepening your understanding of the salvation of Christ and living out the changes that understanding creates in your heart."

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