

#### Discussion Guide - The Gift of Jesus

#### Main Idea

This week, Pastor Matt started off our Advent Series talking about the greatest Christmas gift of all time: Jesus. Jesus is the gift, and He came for us. When we were children, we were excited because we got many gifts at Christmas time, but because we have received the ultimate gift in Jesus, now giving gifts and our lives becomes more important in our lives. As we begin to unwrap the gift of Jesus, we realize there is more and more to this gift, as He is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace.

#### Make It Practical

- Jesus came as God's gift
- Jesus came to lift your burdens
- Jesus came to meet your deepest needs

### "For to us a child is born, to us a son is given..."

Isaiah 9:6a

#### Talk About It

- 1. What are some of your favorite Christmas traditions? How have those traditions shaped how you view Jesus?
- 2. What are some specific ways that your life has been blessed because of the gift of Jesus?
- 3. What burdens have you been carrying, that you can lay down for Jesus to lift?
- 4. Which one of the four names of Jesus stands out to you the most? Why, and what does that mean about Jesus?
  - Wonderful Counselor
  - Mighty God
  - Everlasting Father
  - Prince of Peace
- 5. What are some practical ways that you can become more generous because of Jesus' generous gift?

# "...and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

Isaiah 9:6c

## **Prayer**

Jesus, we are grateful for your generous gift that we celebrate this time of year. Thank you that you gave yourself up for us, even when you didn't have to. Help us to live in this gracious gift and become more like you. Help us to experience you as the Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and the Prince of Peace. In Your name, Amen.

## **Scriptures Used**

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