CHRISTMAS CHILD (Our Peace) Isaiah 9:6

(Luke 2:10-12) "Then the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger."

Christ, the <u>fulfillment</u> of God's <u>promise</u>, <u>prophecy</u>, and <u>provision</u>, for <u>all</u> mankind!

PROMISE – A promise which can be traced back to the Garden of Eden.

(Genesis 3:15) "And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel."

Our "fear" of divine judgement has been "irradicated" by His "birth!"

(1 John 3:8b) For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

PROPHECY

Words of peace to Ahab - (Isaiah 7:4a) "Take heed, and be quiet, do not fear or be fainthearted..."

The "sign" - (Isaiah 7:14b) "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel." (God with us).

A "sign" for an undeserving world.

(Romans 5:8-9) But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.

<u>PROVISION</u> – <u>Isaiah chapter 9:</u>6 - Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, <u>Prince of Peace!</u> (Ruler and Giver of "Peace").

His character is our "everlasting provision!"

Isaiah 9:2-7. Everlasting Light! (9:2)

(Acts 26:18) "...to open their eyes, in order to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Me."

Everlasting Joy! (9:3)

(Psalm 16:11) You will show me the path of life; In Your presence is fullness of joy; At Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Everlasting Victory (9:4, 5)

(John 8:36) Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed.

CONCLUSION:

(Jeremiah 6:14) They have also healed the hurt of My people slightly, Saying, 'Peace, peace!' When there is no peace!

(John 14:27) Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

Christ' peace is not a "passive peace!"

(Isaiah 26:3) You will keep him in perfect peace, Whose mind is stayed on You, Because he trusts in You.

"Merry Christmas!"