

Almighty God, as you spoke through the prophet Isaiah in Isaiah 9:6:

“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”

Thank you, Father God, that you sent the Lord Jesus to be born as a child and that He is the babe in the manger who would grow up to be the Savior of the world.

Thank you that His name characterizes your love for your children.

Thank you that He is our **Wonderful Counselor**. Thank you that we can trust in Your ways to help us in this life.

Thank you that He is our **Mighty God**. Thank you that in Your fullness the triune God exists for Your own glory and our good. There are no problems we can encounter that You cannot overcome.

Thank you that You are the **Everlasting Father**. Thank you that You are our Father. Thank you that your love never fails and that it has no beginning and no end.

Thank you that You are the **Prince of Peace**. Thank you, Lord, that Your peace passes all understanding and that we can be certain in life that Your love is greater than all our sin. May that thought always bring us peace as your children.

Thank you for sending Your Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, whom we honor and cherish and celebrate, especially during this Christmas season.

In Jesus name we pray, Amen.



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