



Do you believe that everything about your life can change this Christmas?

"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.**" *Isaiah 9:6*

3 ways you can experience Jesus as your wonderful counselor:

1. Get **HONEST** with Jesus about where you're at. Luke 5:31-32, Hebrews 4:15-16

wonderful counselor ...

"Pele" = means beyond understanding. It means too wonderful for words.

"Ya'ats" = to advise, give counsel or guide.

"For we do not have a high priest (Jesus) who is unable to do what? empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. ¹⁶ Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need." *Hebrews 4:15-16 NLT*

"Jesus answered them, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, **but the sick.**" ³² **I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance."** v31-32

Q: Where are you struggling and where are sick this morning?

"Cast your cares on the Lord and he will sustain you; he will never let the righteous be shaken" *Psalm 55:22*

2. Lean in and **LISTEN** to Jesus.

"Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!" *Psalm 46:10*

"a voice from the cloud said this is my son whom I love,

***listen to him."** Mark 9:7*

*"For the word of God is **living** and **active**, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart."* *Hebrews 4:12*

So many people miss HEARING GODS VOICE because they read the Bible for INFORMATION not TRANSFORMATION.

How to read the Bible for transformation: (Relational Purpose of Scripture)

- **God- what truths do I need to believe from this passage?**
- **God-what truths Do I need to live out from this passage?**
- **God- how does this truth lead me into a deepened love for Jesus and a deepened love for others.**

3. Follow Jesus **WHEREVER** he leads you.

"²⁷ My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me." John 10:27

Are you going to follow Jesus where he wants to lead you?

²¹ Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me." Mark 10:21

DO THE WORD: Wonderful Counselor

"For unto us ... his name shall be called ... Wonderful Counselor..."

Jesus came for the hurting, broken and the sick. In what area of your life are you "sick?" (Be honest. What is your deepest struggle, fear, hurt, or addiction?)

Jesus wants to be your Wonderful Counselor. How has He spoken to you in the past week? What did He show you?

What is Jesus your Wonderful Counselor leading you to do? Are you willing to follow wherever he is wanting to lead your life?