

# LOST AND CONFUSED?

**Isaiah 9:6** – For a child is born to us, a son is given to us. The government will rest on his shoulders. And he will be called: **Wonderful Counselor**, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

**Names matter.**

## 1. The Wonderful Counselor is **approachable**.

- **Ephesians 3:12** (NIV) – In him and through faith in him we may approach God with freedom and confidence.
- **Hebrews 4:16** (CSB) – Therefore, let us approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in time of need.
- **James 1:5-6a** – If you need wisdom, ask our generous God, and he will give it to you. He will not rebuke you for asking. But when you ask him, be sure that your faith is in God alone.
- His **provisions** are endless.

## 2. The Wonderful Counselor is **reliable**.

- **Isaiah 28:29** (ESV) – This also comes from the LORD of hosts; he is wonderful in counsel and excellent in wisdom.
- **Psalms 73:24** – You guide me with your counsel, leading me to a glorious destiny.
- **Isaiah 50:10b** – If you are walking in darkness, without a ray of light, trust in the LORD and rely on your God.
- His **perspective** is eternal.

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## 3. The Wonderful Counselor is available.

- **Deuteronomy 31:8** – “Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the LORD will personally go ahead of you. He will be with you; he will neither fail you nor abandon you.”
- **Jeremiah 23:23-24** – “Am I a God who is only close at hand?” says the LORD. “No, I am far away at the same time. Can anyone hide from me in a secret place? Am I not everywhere in all the heavens and earth?” says the LORD.
- His presence is everywhere.

### Coming soon:

1. **Rediscover Christmas:** Christmas may be the best time of the year, but it is also the busiest, most exhausting time of the year. There is good news in troubling times. Join us next week as we look at how to live with the power of Mighty God.
2. **Christmas Movie Night:** Invite your friends to Movie Night on Friday, December 5, at 6:30 pm: cookies, hot chocolate, pictures with Santa, and more. This year's movie: *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*.
3. **Night of Joy:** Don't miss Night of Joy on Friday, December 12. Stop by the display to sign up to volunteer, to find out how you can give, and to see how you can make a difference this Christmas season.
4. **Christmas Eve:** Mark your calendars and invite your friends to celebrate Christmas with us here at DRC on Wednesday, December 24, at 2 pm and 4 pm: “Hope Is Here.”