

He Shall Be Called: Mighty God

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Isa 9:6 (written some 700 years before the birth of Christ)

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

1. JESUS IS GOD (GOD MADE FLESH)

Isa 9:6 For to us a child is born, to us a son is given... And he will be called Mighty God.

Matt 1:23 (Quoting Prophet Isaiah 7:14)

"The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel"-which means, "God with us."

Gen 1:1 In the beginning God...

John 1:1; 14 (Apostle John) 1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 14 The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.

1 John 5:20 (Apostle John) [Jesus Christ] is the true God...

John 20:28 (Apostle Thomas)

Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

Titus 2:13 (Apostle Paul celebrated)

"the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ."

John 8:58 (Jesus' Himself said) "before Abraham was born, I am!"

John 14:9 (Jesus also said) Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father.

Heb 1:3 The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being...

Because Jesus is God...

2. JESUS HAS THE POWER TO REDEEM US FROM OUR SIN

1 John 2:2 [Jesus] is the atonement sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

Gal 4:4-5 4 When the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under law, 5 to redeem those under law, that we might receive the full rights of sons.

3. JESUS ACCOMPLISHED THAT REDEMPTION ON THE CROSS

Eph 2:13 but now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ.

1 Cor 1:18 For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

4. JESUS (GOD MADE FLESH) WAS VALIDATED BY THE RESURRECTION

2 Peter 1:16 We did not follow cleverly invented stories when we told you about the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty.

Acts 2:32 (Peter's first sermon) God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of the fact.

Acts 10:39-41 (The disciples ate with the resurrected Jesus)

"We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen. He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen-by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.

1 Corinthians 15:3-8 (Paul) For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Peter, and then to the twelve. After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, and last of all he appeared to me also...

CONCLUSION:

WE ARE A LOST AND BROKEN PEOPLE,
IN NEED OF REDEMPTION.

ONLY GOD HIMSELF CAN REDEEM US.

THAT'S WHY HE BECAME FLESH AND DWELT AMONG US.

AND THAT'S WHAT WE CELEBRATE EACH CHRISTMAS.

"The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel"-which means, "God with us." (Matt 1:23)

“Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved.” (Acts 4:12)