Sermon Supplement from December 3

Wonderful Counselor | Isaiah 9:6

Reflection/Discussion

- When you hear Jesus described as the Wonderful Counselor, what comes to mind?
- How do Messianic prophecies from the Old Testament fulfilled in Jesus strengthen our faith and hope?
- What is significant about the original context of this prophecy in Isaiah 9:1-7? (cross-reference Isaiah 8 and 2 Kings 16-17)
- "Wonderful Counselor" means so much more than just one who gives good advice. How would you explain this concept to someone who thinks Jesus is simply a good therapist?
- Discuss the significance of each of the following principles:
 - Jesus DEMONSTRATED the Absolute Wisdom of God Luke 2:40-52
 - $\circ~$ Jesus EMBODIES the Absolute Wisdom of God 1 Cor. 1:18-24
 - Jesus REVEALS the Absolute Wisdom of God Ephesians 1:15-23
- Discuss the significance of each of the following implications:
 - Jesus, the Wonderful Counselor, IS God's truly wonderful, miraculous, supernatural plan of hope for the world.
 - Jesus, the Wonderful Counselor, has plans, strategies, counsel, and teaching that can be trusted and followed.
 - Experiencing Jesus, the Wonderful Counselor, should create a sense of Wonder in me!

Application

• How does what you learned from this discussion change the way you think/feel/act?

Use the following articles to supplement your study of Jesus as the Wonderful Counselor

- <u>https://ourdailybread.org/resources/wonderful-counselor/</u>
- <u>https://www.preachingtoday.com/sermons/sermons/2016/december/qift-of-son-wonderful-counselor.html</u>