



PRINCE
of
PEACE

Mighty God!

Isaiah 9:6; Colossians
1:13-20

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)

“El-Gibbor”

**el= “God” el is the divine
predicate (el Shaddai, el
ohim, el elyon, etc...)**

**gibbor= “Mighty one”
or “hero”**



Isaiah presents to us *Jesus, Mighty God* arriving in the flesh at Christmas. What irony to think of the one and only “Mighty God” wrapped in peasant rags, born in an animal shelter, laying in a manger. Isaiah tells us 700 years before Jesus’ birth that he would be no ordinary child, not just a teacher, prophet, healer or king... but he would be the MIGHTY GOD come to save us from sin and death! Today we examine why that is such good news.











MIGHTY GOD



1. Jesus truly lives up to His name... Immanuel, God is with us! (Isaiah 7:14)

Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name **Immanuel**.

Isaiah 7:14

God with us means
we have **light** from a
better source

**The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness,
on them has light shone.**

Isaiah 9:2

**In him was life, and the life was the light of
men. The light shines in the darkness, and
the darkness has not overcome it.**

John 1:4-5

God with us means we
have **love**, of a
different kind (1 John)

**See what kind of love the
Father has given to us, that
we should be called children
of God; and so we are.**

1 John 3:1

God with us means
we have **life** with no
expiration date

**The thief comes only to
steal and kill and destroy. I
came that they may have
life and have it abundantly.**

John 10:10

**Application: by telling us that
the Mighty God was on the way
Isaiah is saying that the Lord of
Light, Love, and Life, all
wrapped into one person had
decided to focus his powerful
goodness on humanity, and
Christmas is the proof!**

2. God is Still With Us Today!

**In our sickness and our
sorrows...**

In our sin and failures...

**The Mighty God of
heaven has come down
to make a difference in
your life today. Invite his
power to make its home
in your heart.**

3. God is still Mighty

Colossians 1:13-20

¹³ He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son,

¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

16 For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.

17 And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

18 And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent.

**19 For in him all the fullness of God
was pleased to dwell,
20 and through him to reconcile to
himself all things, whether on
earth or in heaven, making
peace by the blood of his cross.**

Colossians 1:13-20

**The might of God is not best
understood looking at the
mountains or the heavens.**

**The might of God is best
understood looking at the
manger, the cross, and the
empty tomb!**

Some gifts you can give this Christmas are beyond monetary value: Mend a quarrel, dismiss suspicion, tell someone, “I love you.” Give something away. Forgive someone who has treated you wrong. Turn away wrath with a soft answer. Visit someone in a nursing home. Apologize if you were wrong. Be especially kind to someone with whom you work. Give as God gave to you in Christ, without obligation, or announcement, or reservation, or hypocrisy.

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