



Sermon Notes

Isaiah 9:6 (ESV)

⁶For 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, ...

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(Answer key located on the last page)

INTRODUCTION:

We live in the age of unlimited _____ but insufficient wisdom.

God promised a Counselor whose name is

"_____."

I. His Counsel is SUPREME It Surpasses All Human Wisdom

Isaiah 55:8-9 - "My thoughts are not your _____, neither are your ways my _____."

Illustration:

Jesus' counsel is like a _____ that sees everything in real-time.

Application:

*Make Jesus your _____ call, not your last resort.
James 1:5 - Ask God for wisdom and He will give it generously.*

II. His Counsel is SOVEREIGN-He Sees the Bigger Picture

Jesus has complete _____ and control.

Romans 8:28 - "In _____ things God works for the good of those who love Him."

Illustration:

From our view, life looks like the _____ of a tapestry - messy and confusing.

But God sees the _____ - the beautiful design He's creating.

Application:

Write down "Things I Don't Understand." Then write _____ 3:5-6 beneath it.

Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding.

III. His Counsel is SUFFICIENT - He's Everything You Need

What Makes Jesus the Perfect Counselor:

1. _____ - He knows everything
2. _____ - He cares deeply (Hebrews 4:15)
3. _____ - He won't gossip
4. _____ - Available 24/7/365

Jesus counsels us primarily through the _____.

Illustration:

Jesus is like a _____ Army knife - everything you need in one tool.

Application:

Read the Bible _____ starting this week.

PERSONAL REFLECTION

What decision or problem are you currently facing where you need Jesus' counsel?

In what area of your life have you been seeking everyone's counsel except God's?

COMMITMENT

Check the commitments you will make this week:

- ☐ I will make Jesus my first call, not my last resort
- ☐ I will trust God's bigger picture even when life looks messy
- ☐ I will read God's Word daily starting this week

Answer Key

I. His Counsel is SUPREME:
thoughts | ways | GPS | first

II. His Counsel is SUFFICIENT
Competent | Compassionate |
Confidential | Continuous | Bible
| Swiss | daily

III. His Counsel is SOVEREIGN:
power | all | back | front | Proverbs

The Good News

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, (Romans 5:1)

The Bad News

for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,
(Romans 3:23)

The Ugly News

For the wages of sin is death, ... (Romans 6:23a)

The Great News

... but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.
(Romans 6:23a)

Guess What?

You can become a Christian right now and experience salvation and the gift of eternal life through God's Son the Lord Jesus Christ! Simply Pray this Prayer Right Now! **"God thank you for Jesus Christ who died on the cross for my sins. Thank you for receiving what Jesus did for me on the cross as payment for my sins. Please forgive me for my sins. Right now I accept Jesus into my heart and ask that he become my Savior and Lord! Amen!"**

If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. (Romans 10:9-10)

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