

**INTRODUCTION**

- \* The season of Advent is a time to reflect upon the incarnation of Jesus the Christ (YHWH in the flesh) who came in order to be the payment of our sins. He did this in order that we might be reconciled to God and have peace with God. This was important in order that we might be able to live with God for all of eternity – eternal life does not begin after you die, but when you are reconciled to God!
- \* We see that thought very clearly as we consider the fourth of the names given to the “Child” who was to be given, the “Prince of Peace.”
- \* These names are given within the context of a prophecy regarding He who would reign “upon the throne of David and over his kingdom.” Hence, the ultimate fulfillment of the reign of this Child will His physical reign on Mount Zion. Yet, we see in the Scriptures that the Messiah began this fulfillment through His establishment of the spiritual kingdom through His work of reconciliation on the cross. (cf. Isaiah 9:6-7; Luke 1:30-33; 1:67-69, 76-79; 2:10-14)

**INSTRUCTION**

- I. WONDERFUL COUNSELOR
- II. MIGHTY GOD
- III. EVERLASTING FATHER
- IV. PRINCE OF PEACE

**A. The Establishment of His P\_\_\_\_\_ Kingdom At His Second Coming**

- \* Isaiah 2:1-5; 60:1-18; Jeremiah 23:3-8; Ezekiel 36:24-28; Zechariah 2:10-12; 14:9-11

**B. The Establishment of the S\_\_\_\_\_ Kingdom At His First Coming****1. PEACE THROUGH OUR R\_\_\_\_\_ WITH GOD**

- \* Luke 17:20-21; John 3:3-8
- \* Romans 5:1-10; Ephesians 2:13-22; Isaiah 53:5
- \* 2 Corinthians 5:18-21

**2. PEACE THROUGH OUR T\_\_\_\_\_ IN THE WORLD**

- \* Luke 12:49-53; Matthew 10
- \* John 16:32-33
- \* Philippians 4:1-9
- \* Matthew 6:25-34

- V. IMMANUEL (12/24)
- VI. YHWH (12/29)
- VII. JESUS (1/5)

**INTROSPECTION**

- \* HAVE YOU BEEN RECONCILED TO GOD?
- \* IS JESUS REIGNING IN YOUR HEART? ... OR, DO YOU KEEP SEEKING TO SIT ON THE THRONE OF YOUR LIFE?
- \* HAVING “PEACE WITH GOD” IS MEANT TO BRING YOU THE “PEACE OF GOD.” ARE YOU TRUSTING IN HIS POWER TO DELIVER YOU ON A DAILY BASIS?
- \* IS THERE A NEED TO CHANGE THE WAY YOU THINK ... AND THEREFORE ACT?

**INTERACTION ... Thoughts & Questions to ponder for later discussion**

*It may be helpful to re-read the passage before the discussion.*

- \* How is having “Peace with God” evidenced in the life of a believer? Does it look the same way in the life of an assembly?
- \* What does turmoil in a church suggest regarding the “peace” of the individuals within the church?