

The Three "R's" of Christmas – Christmas Eve - 12/24/2018

"The Results of Christmas"

Isaiah 9:6 *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.*

Because What We Wanted Has Caused All Our Problems, God Gave Us What We Needed For True Happiness and Fulfillment In His Son

I. What We Really Need Is a Result of What We Really Wanted

a. The historical context of Is 9:6

- 1) Formalism in worship – 1:11-15
- 2) Social injustice – 10:1-2
- 3) Extreme materialism – 3:18-27
- 4) Moral decay – 5:20-23

These all are a result of men and women wanting other than what they needed

- 1) Adam rejected God's guidance –
- 2) Adam rejected God's role –
- 3) Adam rejected God's care –
- 4) Adam rejected God as source of happiness –

II. Look At the Savior God Sent to Bring An End to the Results of Getting What We Wanted

Wonderful Counselor - He will provide trustworthy and accurate counsel
Mighty God – He has the power to take control and protect and lead us
Everlasting Father – He is Father-like in his care
Prince of Peace – One who can bring peace to us with God,

III. As a Result of Christmas God Met Our Real Needs and Continues to Meet Them

In Jesus God speaks His final trustworthy counsel Heb 1:1-3, 2 Tim 3:16

In Jesus We Have One who controls and subdue nature - **Rev 22:3-5**

He knows what we need and gives it more than the best Father - **Mat 7:11**

Jesus went to the source of our worlds problems - Lack of peace -

Peace with God – **Romans 5:1**

Inner peace – Phil 4:7 -

Outer peace - **Proverbs 16:7**

What do you need Jesus to be for you?

Counselor Ruler Father Prince of Peace SAVIOR!!!