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Introduction

We've seen in the last few messages how that the **CHILD** that the **LORD GOD PROPHESED** to **ISAIAH** would be born, would be called both **WONDERFUL** and **COUNSELOR**. This **PROPHECY** is clearly pointing forward to the time when the **MESSIAH**, our **LORD** and **SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST**, would be born into this world. **HE** is the **CHILD** that is spoken of! **HE** is the **SON** that was given!

But we need to understand that this passage **also** points to **CHRIST'S MILLENNIAL REIGN** on earth after **HIS SECOND COMING!**

It says, *"...and the government shall be upon His shoulder: and His name shall be called.."* The government shall be upon **HIS** shoulder when **HE** rules and reigns for a literal 1000 year period on this earth. That is when **HE** will be fully known by these **five descriptive titles**. *Verse 7* also shows us that this refers primarily to **CHRIST'S MILLENNIAL REIGN**.

We know that **HE** showed **HIMSELF** as **WONDERFUL** at **HIS FIRST ADVENT** or **COMING!** And, even now, to us who are saved **HE** is **WONDERFUL!** Amen! But by and large most of those living on the earth today have not known the glory of **HIS WONDER** because of blinded minds!

But during **HIS MILLENNIAL REIGN**, all those living on earth will be able to see and know that **HE** is truly **WONDERFUL!**

We know that **HE** showed **HIMSELF** as the **GREAT COUNSELOR** at **HIS FIRST COMING!** And, even now, to us who are saved **HE** is **COUNSELOR!** Amen! But by and large most of those living on the earth today have not known of **HIS WISE COUNSEL** because of their blinded minds!

But during **HIS MILLENNIAL REIGN**, all those living on earth will be able to see and know that **HE** is the **GREAT COUNSELOR!**

But now we come to this third title that is given to Him—that of **"THE MIGHTY GOD."** Not **a** mighty god, but **"THE MIGHTY GOD!"**
THIS IS THE NAME THAT DESCRIBES HIS POWER!

At first glance, we might think that this relates to such things as **HIM** showing **HIMSELF MIGHTY** in **HIS CREATION!** After all, in the **BIBLE**, **HE** is shown to be the **MIGHTY GOD OF CREATION!** *Psalm 19:1-4*—*"The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork. 2 Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge. 3 There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard. 4 Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world."*

John 1:1-3—*"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 The same was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made."*

Colossians 1:16-17—*"For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: 17 And he is before all things, and by him all things consist."*

Or, we might even think that this refers to **CHRIST'S REVELATION** of **HIMSELF** as **THE ALMIGHTY GOD** as **HE** performed **MIRACLES** on the earth that only **GOD** could do!

When **JESUS** was about to heal the blind man in *John 9:2*, **HIS DISCIPLES** asked **HIM** *"Master who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind."* In *John 9:3*—*"Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him."* And the **works of GOD** were made manifest in him as **JESUS** healed him!

When **LAZARUS** was sick, some folks came and told Jesus about it: *John 11:4*—*"When Jesus heard that, he said, This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God might be glorified thereby."*

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And we know that **JESUS** showed **HIMSELF** as the **MIGHTY GOD** with power over death as **HE** raised **LAZARUS** from the dead!

And even as **JESUS** died on the **CROSS** for our sins and was buried, three days later **HE** showed **HIMSELF** as the **MIGHTY GOD** in an open show of **POWER** over sin, death, hell, and the grave as **HE AROSE** from the grave!

But that is not what this passage is pointing to either. The word *“mighty”* used here in *Isaiah 9* is different than the words referring to the **LORD** as being *“GOD ALMIGHTY”* or the places referring to **HIS** omnipotence.

Yes, this word speaks of **CHRIST** as being powerful, but it shows **HIM** primarily as a powerful warrior. This word is also translated in other places as *champion, chief, giant, mighty (man, one), strong (man), valiant man.*

It points to the **CHRIST** that we read about in *Revelation 19:11-21*, at the close of the **TRIBULATION PERIOD** when **CHRIST** comes in **POWER** and **GREAT GLORY** at **HIS SECOND COMING!**

Turn to *Psalms 2* which predicts what we see in *Revelation 19. (Read it)*

Now, understand that *Psalms 2* is about the **WORLD SYSTEM** that has shown nothing but **REBELLION** against **GOD** since the day that sin entered the world!

This **REBELLION** has gotten worse and worse, but it will not be seen in its fullness until its final form during the **TRIBULATION PERIOD!**

Here in *Psalms 2* we see the world is presented exactly as it is. Then, we see that **GOD’S** viewpoint is presented and how **GOD** will successfully set **CHRIST** on the throne as the ruler of this world, despite all of the heathen conniving and planning against **GOD!**

It will all work out in the end just as **GOD** has planned! Amen!

It will work out that **CHRIST (THE ANOINTED ONE)** will show **HIMSELF** to be *“THE MIGHTY GOD!”*

I. THE REBELLION AGAINST GOD BY MAN! (PSALM 2:1-3)

Here we see that the **PSALMIST** is amazed that the world would plot to overthrow the very authority of **GOD** by rebelling against **GOD!**

This **REBELLION** is marked by three things:

A. We See The Strong Emotion In Their Efforts Against GOD!

“Why do the heathen rage. . .” (Vs 1a)

The word *“rage”* means to be *“violent and tumultuous.”*

It speaks of those that are furious with anger to the point that they cause a commotion or stir up a crowd.

Let’s take into account the war against **GOD** that is taking place in our day and time.

There is a continual emotional push to legitimize sin.

We are constantly being pressed on every hand to be accepting of things that are wicked and vile in the sight of **GOD!**

1. Think of the rage today against those who dare to speak against homosexuality or as the Bible calls it, sodomy!

In some countries it is illegal to speak out against it! It is considered *“hate”* speech by many in our own land!

2. Think of the rage today against those who oppose abortion.

Any attempt to stop the slaughter of babies is met with rage by women’s rights groups.

3. Think of the rage today against anything to do with Christianity. (e.g. The efforts by many in authority to eradicate Christian displays of every kind.)

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We See The Strong Emotion In Their Efforts Against God.

B. We See The Futility Of Their Efforts Against GOD!

“Why do. . .the people imagine a vain thing” (Vs 1b)

Romans 1:21–“Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.”

Psalms 4:2–“O ye sons of men, how long will ye turn my glory into shame? how long will ye love vanity, and seek after leasing? Selah.”

Isaiah 40:17–“All nations before him are as nothing; and they are counted to him less than nothing, and vanity.”

1. The public display of the Ten Commandments may be outlawed, but they cannot destroy the reality of them or the fact that they will be judged by them! They remain **GOD’S LAW** and are as sure as **GOD HIMSELF!**
2. All kinds of depravity may be popularized and glorified by the media outlets day and night, but they can’t stop the reality of **GOD’S TRUTH** that says *“be sure your sin will find you out.”*
3. The vast majority of society may be deceived into thinking that evil is good and good is evil, but they cannot escape the **JUDGMENT OF GOD** that is to come unless they repent!

C. We See The Organization Of Their Efforts Against GOD!

They “...set themselves. .and...take counsel together...” (vs 2)

All through the ages many who are in places of authority have set themselves against **GOD** or have taken counsel together against the **LORD** and against **HIS ANOINTED!** It is still happening today! **It will get increasingly worse!**

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1. The Tower Of Babel.

Genesis 11:4–“And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top may reach unto heaven; and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.”

But **GOD** judged them, by confounding their language and scattering them anyway!

2. The Egyptians.

Exodus 14:5–“And it was told the king of Egypt that the people fled: and the heart of Pharaoh and of his servants was turned against the people, and they said, Why have we done this, that we have let Israel go from serving us?”

But **GOD** judged Pharaoh’s army in the midst of the Red Sea!

3. In JESUS’ Day.

The Chief Priests, Scribes, Pharisees, Sadducees, and the elders of the people sought counsel against the **LORD JESUS CHRIST** at **HIS FIRST COMING!**

They thought they had **HIM!** They killed **HIM** and thought that they were rid of **HIM!**

But on the third day **JESUS** arose from the grave and empowered **HIS DISCIPLES** to such an extent that they turned the world of their time upside down for **CHRIST!**

4. Today.

There are a myriad of lawyers at every turn ready to blot the very name of **GOD** from every aspect of our society.

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The godless **ACLU** seems bent on erasing the very name of **GOD** and **JESUS CHRIST** from our land.

Everything that is anti-**GOD**, anti-good, anti-American, and anti-family is being elevated and promoted by highly funded and highly organized people in high places.

While diversity and tolerance are promoted and preached in the classrooms and media, **GOD-FEARING** people are made to look like bigots and hate-mongers.

All of this rebellion is against **GOD** in **HEAVEN** and against **HIS ANOINTED REPRESENTATIVES** on earth. **JESUS** and those who have believed on **HIM!**

All around us we see that **GOD** has been **re-defined** by this world to be what **HE** is not! **GOD** has been **re-made** into the image that man wants **HIM** to be, not the image that the **BIBLE** reveals **HIM** to be!

Romans 1:21-32 speaks of this degrading of **GOD** and what results from it! This passage speaks about those who didn't like what they knew about **GOD**, so they perverted the truth and changed **GOD** to be in an image more to their liking.

The goal of all this effort is to overthrow the **AUTHORITY of GOD!** Many think that by getting rid of the commandments of **GOD** and as well as the **GOD** who gave them, and by redefining morality and right, then they would be happy and free! However, that only brings the **disintegration** and **denigration** of society!

Unbounded sin does not make for a good social life!

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Conclusion

So we see...**THE REBELLION AGAINST GOD BY MAN!**

Are you living in **REBELLION** against **GOD in your life?**
If you are **not saved** you are! Come to **JESUS** for **SALVATION** today!

He is **THE ONLY WAY TO GOD!**

He is the **WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE!** No one can get to **GOD** except through **HIM!**

If you are saved, is your life showing it or are you living in **REBELLION** against **GOD'S BEST** for your life?

If you know the **LORD** but have strayed from **HIS WILL** for your life, come back to **HIM** today!