

For Unto Us a Child Is Born **Isaiah 9:1-7**

Main Point:

Worship the King who was born to bring light and joy to those in the darkness.

1. Jesus brings light and joy to those in the darkness.

2. This is because Jesus was born to be the Davidic King.

3. As the Davidic King, He is the Wonderful Counselor and Mighty God.

4. As the Davidic King, He is the Everlasting Father and Prince of Peace.

Matthew Henry "In the worst of times God's people have a *nevertheless* to comfort themselves with, something to allay and balance their troubles ..."

Matthew 4:13-16 13 And leaving Nazareth, He came and dwelt in Capernaum, which is by the sea, in the regions of Zebulun and Naphtali, 14 that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying: 15 "The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, By the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles: 16 The people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, And upon those who sat in the region and shadow of death Light has dawned." (NKJV)

Acts 26:17-18 17 I will deliver you from the *Jewish* people, as well as *from* the Gentiles, to whom I now send you, 18 to open their eyes, *in order* to turn *them* from darkness to light, and *from* the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Me." (NKJV)

John 8:12 12 Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life." (NKJV)

Matthew Henry "The design of the gospel, and the grace of it, is to break the yoke of sin and Satan, to remove the burden of guilt and corruption, and to free us from the rod of those oppressors, that we might be brought into the glorious liberty of the children of God."

Matthew Henry "Such was his condescension in taking our nature upon him; thus did he humble and empty himself, to exalt and fill us. He is born into our world."

John Gill "This is a free gift of God's love, a very large and comprehensive one, is unparalleled and unspeakable, unchangeable and irreversible."

2 Samuel 7:12-14 12 "When your days are fulfilled and you rest with your fathers, I will set up your seed after you, who will come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. 13 He shall build a house for My name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. 14 I will be his Father, and he shall be My son. (NKJV)

Psalms 72:7 7 In His days the righteous shall flourish, And abundance of peace, Until the moon is no more. (NKJV)

Isaiah 28:29 29 This also comes from the LORD of hosts, *Who* is wonderful in counsel *and* excellent in guidance. (NKJV)

Derek Thomas "His every instruction is wonderful. His opinions are extraordinary. His recommendations are impressive. His advice is phenomenal. He is the only one worth listening to."

Psalms 45:3 3 Gird Your sword upon *Your* thigh, O Mighty One, With Your glory and Your majesty. (NKJV)

John Gill "Christ is God, truly and properly so; as appears from his name ... from his nature and perfections ... from the works performed by him ... and from the worship given him ..."

Matthew Henry "As he has wisdom, so he has strength, to go through with his undertaking: he is able to save to the utmost; and such is the work of the Mediator that no less a power than that of the mighty God could accomplish it."

Psalms 103:13 13 As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him. (ESV)

Matthew Henry "He is the author of everlasting life and happiness to them, and so is the Father of a blessed eternity to them."

John Gill "He as such supplies them with everlasting provisions, he clothes them with everlasting raiment, he gives them an everlasting portion, promotes them to everlasting honor, saves them with an everlasting salvation, bearing an everlasting love to them."

Romans 14:17 17 for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. (NKJV)

Luke 2:13-14 13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying: 14 "Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!" (NKJV)

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