

SERMON NOTES



He Shall Be Called: Mighty God! Expander of JOY!

December 8, 2024

*⁶For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. **And he will be called***

Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

What gives or removes joy from your heart the most?

3 You have enlarged the nation and increased their joy; they rejoice before you as people rejoice at the harvest, as men rejoice when dividing the plunder.

4 For as in the day of Midian's defeat, you have shattered the yoke that burdens them, the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor.

5 Every warrior's boot used in battle and every garment rolled in blood will be destined for burning, will be fuel for the fire.

Joy killers:

a. Barriers.

a. Work hard with no _____

b. Work hard with no _____

b. Burdens.

a. _____ that is too large

b. _____ that are too big

c. Battles.

- a. Struggles that seem to never _____.
- b. Situations that never seem to _____.

Jesus, the Mighty God Brings Joy!

a. He _____ the barriers.

- *1 Corinthians 15:58 Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.*
- *Matthew 5:11-12 "Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.*

b. He _____ our burdens.

- *Psalms 55:22 Cast your cares on the Lord and he will sustain you; he will never let the righteous be shaken.
23 But you, God, will bring down the wicked into the pit of decay; the bloodthirsty and deceitful will not live out half their days.*
- *Psalms 68: Praise be to the Lord, to God our Savior, who daily bears our burdens.*
- *Matthew 11:28 "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.*

c. He _____ our battles.

- *Exodus 14:13 Moses answered the people, "Do not be afraid. Stand firm and you will see the deliverance the Lord will bring you today. The Egyptians you see today you will never see again. 14 The Lord will fight for you; you need only to be still."*
- *1 Corinthians 15:56 The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. 57 But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

**When Jesus is our Mighty God,
He will always expand our Joy!**

Everyone Outreach Witness Idea: This Advent season, people are looking for joy. Take time to share what God does to bring and enlarge joy in your heart!

NEXT SUNDAY: He Shall Be Called: Everlasting Father!

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MY PERSONAL NOTES

SERMON REFLECTIONS: Apply to My Life

The thought the Spirit is leading me to focus on is:

The change the Spirit is leading me to work on is:

The action the Spirit is prompting me to take is:

My prayers today are:

Someone I would like to bless with today's message: