

A COUNSELOR FOR CHAOTIC TIMES

“His name is Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace.”
(Isaiah 9:2-7)

Do you know the full name of Prince Charles of England? It is Charles Philip Arthur George of the House of Windsor. His titles are: His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales; Knight of the Garter; Knight, Order of the Thistle; Prince of Wales and Earl of Chester; Duke of Cornwall and Duke of Rothesay; Earl of Carrick and Baron Renfrew; Lord of the Isles and Great Steward of Scotland; Personal Aide-de-Camp to the Queen; and Great Master of the Order of the Bath.

Names and titles can be trivial. Or they can reveal the character, authority and ability of their bearer. The latter is the case with Jesus Christ. Isaiah records that His name is *“Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace.”* (Isaiah 9:2-7)

Never have we needed such a God more than today. In tumultuous times people under stress turn to other humans such as spiritual counselors, psychiatrists, psychologists, palm readers, mystics, etc. in great numbers for counsel. Not all are the above are legitimate counselors but there are human counselors who can give us help – but our human resources are limited. We need wisdom that exceeds human wisdom; help and hope available 24/7 wherever we are; we need peace for a world in pieces – a Counselor for chaotic times.

Marvin Harris is an anthropologist and the author of *America Now*. He documents the fact that America's increase in crime, drug addiction, and suicide is a direct result of a lack of direction and spiritual purpose. How do you feel about your purpose, your future, your life's direction? Would you like a Wonderful Counselor? Jesus Christ is ready, able and willing to counsel you, to guide you with the wisdom of God Himself. He is The Wonderful Counselor, indeed!

How do we get His counsel?

- First, believe that you can and that you should;
- Second, believe that you can trust His Counsel given in His Counselor's Manual, the Bible, for your problems and your life;
- Third, seek Him, not just His Counsel. Admit that you cannot face the chaos of these days alone, that you need Him, the Wonderful Counselor.

We can seek Him, because He's already sought us. He climbed down the ladder we could never climb up just to make Himself available to us. We have a Wonderful Counselor Who is waiting to be your Counselor in these chaotic times. He is always in His office – no advance appointment is necessary!

“Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.” (Matthew 11:28-30)

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