

# Realms of Glory: Wonderful Counsellor

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In those days a man will say to his brother, "Since you have a coat, you be our leader! Take charge of this heap of ruins!" But he will reply, "No! I can't help. I don't have any extra food or clothes. Don't put me in charge!" [Isaiah 3:6-7](#)

## Crisis in Leadership

Israel is full of silver and gold; there is no end to its treasures. Their land is full of warhorses; there is no end to its chariots. [Isaiah 2:7](#)

## Extreme Materialism

Their land is full of idols; the people worship things they have made with their own hands. [Isaiah 2:8](#)

## Misdirected worship

What sorrow for you who buy up house after house and field after field, until everyone is evicted and you live alone in the land... "Many houses will stand deserted; even beautiful mansions will be empty." [Isaiah 5:8-9](#)

## Unbridled Greed

What sorrow for those who get up early in the morning looking for a drink of alcohol and spend long evenings drinking wine to make themselves flaming drunk. [Isaiah 5:11](#)

## Substance abuse

... they are full of things from the east and of fortune-tellers like the Philistines... [Isaiah 2.6b](#)

## Superstitious wishes

But there will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time He brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time He has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. [Isaiah 9:1](#)

Now when He heard that John had been arrested, He withdrew into Galilee. And leaving Nazareth He went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled. [Matthew 4:12-14](#)

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone. [Isaiah 9:2](#)

For a child is born to us, a son is given to us. The government will rest on His shoulders. And He will be called: Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. [Isaiah 9:6](#)

1. He knows what you need.

...for your Father knows exactly what you need even before you ask Him! [Matthew 6:8](#)

2. He identifies with your pain.

This High Priest of ours understands our weaknesses, for He faced all of the same testings we do, yet He did not sin. [Hebrews 4:15](#)

3. He wants to guide you.

I am the good shepherd; I know My own sheep, and they know Me. [John 10:14](#)

Your notes

Reflection Questions:

1. In what way would you like to see God's power released in your life?
2. What resistance do you have to the idea of counselling? Does this apply to your willingness to take advice from God as well? How so?