

JESUS-KEY TO A WONDERFUL LIFE

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INTRODUCTION

1. Walking during a time of darkness
2. Living in the shadow of darkness

A. THE PROMISE OF THE COUNSELOR

1. The explanation of the word wonderful
(Exodus 15:11; Psalm 77:11; Psalm 89:5; Psalm 119:29)
2. The encounters with Jesus

B. THE PERSONALITY OF THE COUNSELOR

1. Competence
 - Jesus wisdom as a child (Matthew 2:1; Luke 2:46-47)
 - Jesus wisdom as a man (Matthew 13:53-56)
 - Jesus wisdom as a Savior (Colossians 2:2-3)
2. Compassion (Hebrews 4:14-16)

C. THE PURPOSE OF THE COUNSELOR

1. A life of transformation (2 Corinthians 3:18)
2. A life of reflection (Romans 8:29)

CONCLUSION

TABLETALK QUESTIONS

The **Table Talk Questions** are not meant to replace the **Bible Engagement Project** series in the Life Group. These questions are intended for those who are not using BEP or wish to add more in-depth study of the sermon either in individual or small group use. May God bless you deeper in the study of His word.

1. Read Isaiah 9:2. How would you describe the situation during Isaiah's prophecy, and what we are going through the year 2020? Are there similarities in terms of problems, possibilities and promises?
2. Read Exodus 15:11; Psalm 77:11; Psalm 78:12; and Psalm 89:5. The word wonderful in Hebrew is '*pele*' which means extraordinary and or miraculous. Can you think of specific stories in the New Testament how an encounter with Jesus resulted to the 'extraordinary and or the miraculous?' Have you also encountered this experience in your life and if so, can you share it?
3. Read the following passages from Luke 2:46-47, Matthew 13:53-56 and Colossians 2:2-3. In what way these verses demonstrate the wisdom of Jesus as our Counselor?
4. Read Hebrews 4:14-16. In what way this verse proves Jesus as a compassionate Counselor?
5. How would you respond to the name of Christ as Wonderful Counselor as you walk and wait for Him during times of darkness?
6. If we want to be like Jesus—if we want our lives to reflect His character—we need to know more about what He was like. In the Scriptures, someone's name had great significance. A name wasn't simply how you identified someone. It was intended to reflect that person's character—to tell a story about that person. That's why the names given to Jesus were so significant. They tell us His story and give us a picture of what He was like. Each name of Jesus recorded in Scripture is a window through which we see Him more clearly. Seeing Him more clearly leads to knowing Him better. And knowing Him better is critical in order to reflect His character to the world around us.

Pray that you not only know about Him but be transformed and reflect the beauty of Christ in your life.