

# SEE THE KING!

with Isaiah

*'Your eyes will behold the King in his beauty (Is. 33:17)'*



Handouts to help you read & understand –  
for personal Bible study, reading the Bible with a friend or with a group

## 9<sup>th</sup> Session      THEME: What's in a name?

**1. Start with prayer. Then look at this icebreaker question.      10 minutes to get started**

We start with a personal question today: who is Jesus to you? If you should give Jesus names that express what He is to you, which words, which names would come to your mind? Share briefly.

Today we study the same passage we studied last time. But today we zoom in and focus at Isaiah 9:6b

**2. Read Isaiah 9:1-7      30 minutes to understand verse 6b**

***'and his name shall be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace'***

The ones who call Him by these names must be the same ones as the 'us' in verse 6a. They have experienced a great liberation, a great redemption (see verses 1-5).

- What have they experienced according to verse 4?
- Anyone who knows what happened on 'Midian's day'? (See Judges 6, 7)
- Would you say that this verse applies also to you? Why, or why not?
- Why is verse 5 added, what does it mean?

The child born, the son given, brought for them what is described in verses 4-5, but also what is described in verses 2-3.

- What was their situation before their 'yoke was broken'?
- Can you recognise yourself in the people described in verses 2 and 3? Why? Or: why not?

Verses 1-2 have a historical fulfilment: see Matthew 4:13-16. The names also:

- Wonderful Counsellor points to the Divine wisdom with which He taught and teaches: Mk.1:22,27
- Mighty God points to the Divine might with which He acted: Mk.4:41
- Everlasting Father points to the Divine comfort that He brought: John 14:9
- Prince of Peace refers to what He accomplished by His' death at the cross: Eph. 2:14. Col.1:20
- What strikes you, if you look at these names and how they apply to Jesus?

They who call Jesus by these names have experienced a great redemption, a great liberation.

- Would you also call Him by these names? Why, or why not?

**3. Apply and end with prayer.      15 minutes to make it personal and to pray**

Read Isaiah 9:6 once more. What has God learnt/given you through this verse today? Take some minutes of silence to meditate. Then share and end with prayer.

**4. Digging deeper.**

We will study this passage once more. You may start to meditate on Isaiah 9:7 for that.