



## 12.05.10/Isaiah 9:6 – MIGHTY GOD

### Opening Discussion

This season of advent we are reading about what the prophet Isaiah said about the Christ many, many years before Jesus was born. One of the ways Isaiah describes the Messiah is “Mighty God.” Ask the children to think of the strongest, most powerful person they know (answers might be an athlete, a president or king/queen, or maybe even mom or dad!). What makes this person so powerful? (very strong body, very smart, in charge of a lot of people, etc.)

The word “mighty” was associated with warfare, such as a powerful warrior who was very strong and had great success in battle. Using the word “God” to describe the Messiah shows that the Christ child would be God himself. Not just a good person, but actually God! Tonight we are going to find Scriptures that show examples of how Jesus was not only Mighty, but also God!

### Read Isaiah 9:6

“For to us a child is born; to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”

### Question 1

Isaiah said that the Messiah was mighty. Can you think of some examples in Scripture where Jesus showed his mighty power? *Of course there are many, but some examples include – walking on water, feeding the 5000, turning water into wine, all the many people that Jesus healed.*

### Question 2

Isaiah tells us that the Messiah will be God. Can you think of some examples in Scripture where Jesus showed that he was God? *Again, there are many, but the most obvious and important examples are – living a sinless life so that His death on a cross paid the penalty for our sins and conquering death by rising from the grave on the third day.*

### Question 3

A popular idea in our culture is that Jesus Christ was a “really good person,” a “prophet,” but not God himself. Look at Isaiah 9:6 and Matthew 28:18, then share what you see the Bible saying about Jesus.

*Isaiah tells us that the Messiah is God. Jesus also says in Matthew 28 that He has been given authority over heaven and earth. So, we see that the Bible tells us that Jesus is the Messiah, that He truly is Mighty God*

### Read Hebrews 1:3-4

“He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels, as the name he has inherited is much more excellent than theirs.”

### Discussion

Has anyone ever told you that you look like your mom or dad? Probably. That’s because you share similar DNA – some parts of your mom and dad’s looks or personality are imprinted in you. But you are still different from your mom and dad – this Scripture tells us that Jesus is the EXACT imprint of God’s nature. That means that EVERY thing we know about God and his nature is true about Jesus too. Take some time to reflect on God’s nature and how it was embodied in the person of Jesus Christ.

### Wrap Up



Close in prayer, thanking God for His perfect plan to send His Son to earth so that we could be redeemed from all of our brokenness. Acknowledge that Jesus is not only Mighty, but also God, and thank Him for the times that He has done mighty works in your own life, including dying on the cross to pay for your sins. Pray for the opportunity to be used by God in mighty ways this advent season. If you would like to know more about what it means for Jesus to be your Savior, ask your parents how they can help you learn more.