God With Us: 2 of 4 "Our Mighty God" Cornerstone Church of Poway Pastor Ed Turley December 15, 2019

Big Idea: Christmas is about God keeping His promise that we will never be alone because God is with us.

"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And He will be called Wonderful Counselor, **Mighty God**, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." **Isaiah 9:6-7a (NIV) Remember Verse**

Our Mighty God Is With Us Because:

1. Jesus Takes Away Our

"Though He was God, He did not think of **equality** with God as something to cling to. Instead, He gave up His **divine privileges**; He took the humble **position** of a slave and was born as a human being. When He appeared in human form, He humbled Himself in **obedience** to God and died a **criminal's death** on a cross. Therefore, God elevated Him to the place of **highest honor** and gave Him the name above all other names, that at the **name of Jesus** every knee should **bow**, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue **confess** that **Jesus Christ is Lord**, to the glory of God the Father."

Philippians 2:6-11 (NLT2)

"**Turn to Me** and **be saved**, all the ends of the earth; For I am God, and there is no other. "I have sworn by Myself, The word has gone forth from My mouth in righteousness And will not turn back, That to Me every knee will bow, every tongue will swear *allegiance.*" **Isaiah 45:22-23 (NASB)**

"He made Him who knew no sin *to be* sin on our behalf, so that we might become the **righteousness** of God in Him." **2 Corinthians 5:21 (NASB)**

"For His **unfailing love** toward those who fear Him is as great as the height of the heavens above the earth. He has **removed** our sins as far from us as the east is from the west." **Psalm 103:11-12 (NLT2)**

2. Jesus Takes Away

"And since we **died** with Christ, we know we will also **live** with Him. We are sure of this because Christ was **raised** from the dead, and He will never die again. Death no longer has any power over Him. When He died, He died once to **break the power of sin**. But now that He lives, **He lives for the glory of God**. So you also should consider yourselves to be **dead** to the power of sin and **alive** to God through **Christ Jesus**." **Romans 6:5-11 (NLT2)**

"For sin is the sting that results in death, and the law gives sin its power. But thank God! He gives us victory over sin and death through our Lord Jesus Christ. So, my dear brothers and sisters, **be strong** and **immovable**. Always work enthusiastically for the Lord, for you know that nothing you do for the Lord is ever useless." 1 Corinthians 15:56-58 (NLT2)

"I am the living one. I died, but look-I am alive forever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and the grave. Revelation 1:18 (NLT2)

Notes:

3. Jesus Is Able

remaining in office. But because Jesus lives forever, His priesthood lasts forever. Therefore He is able, once and forever, to **save** those who come to God through Him. He lives forever to intercede with God on their behalf." Hebrews 7:23-25 (NLT2)

"For the grace of God has been revealed, bringing salvation to all people. And we are instructed to turn from godless living and sinful pleasures. We should live in this evil world with wisdom, righteousness, and devotion to God, while we look forward with hope to that wonderful day when the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, will be revealed. He gave His life to free us from every kind of sin, to cleanse us, and to make us His very own people, totally committed to doing good deeds. Titus 2:11-14 (NLT2)

Notes:

> Am I trusting Jesus is able to save and remove my guilt and shame?

My next right step, I will:

- [] Read this week's "Talk It Over" and journal down my personal application
- [] Trust Jesus to remove all of my guilt and shame
- [] Accept God's gift of salvation
- [] Sign up for Spiritual Upgrade Series Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29
- [] Sign up for Date Night Feb. 8, 2020

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Family Corner: [Choose one day this week to ask questions to go deeper in faith as a family. Try this over dinner. <u>Keep it to 12 minutes or less</u>.]

Make a family memory:

Take a ride in the car and look at Christmas lights. Bake some Christmas sugar cookies and give them to your neighbors.

Small Groups: [Choose as many questions that honors your group's time commitment]

Open in Prayer:

> What thoughts from this week's message encourages me to live a life for Jesus?

Icebreaker:

Share about a favorite Christmas ornament. What is your favorite Christmas decoration?

Read Isaiah 9:6-7

What stands out about who God will send?

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Our Mighty God Is With Us Because: 1. Jesus Takes Away Our <u>Guilt And Shame</u> Read Philippians 2:6-11

What were some divine privileges Jesus gave up when He put on flesh?

If God asked you to experience the death sentence for a notorious criminal by substituting your life, how would you react?

Since Jesus died for our sins and rose again on the third day, what honor is given to him? How is this uniquely reserved for God?

Isaiah 45:22-23

How does God describe Himself?

How does this relate to Philippians 2:6-7?

2 Corinthians 5:21

For us to be right with God, what did Jesus have to do?

Could you imagine taking the weight of the whole world's sin?

Psalm 103:11-12

What do we learn about God's love?

2. Jesus Takes Away <u>The Power Of Death</u> Romans 6:5-11

What do we learn about why Jesus died?

What should be our response to this?

1 Corinthians 15:56-58

What stands out in this passage?

How should we respond?

Revelation 1:18 What promise can we claim from this verse?

3. Jesus Is Able <u>To Save</u> Hebrews 7:23-25 How is Jesus different than any other priest?

What promise can we claim from this verse?

Titus 2:11-14 What do we learn about salvation?

What should be our response?

What do we learn about Jesus?

Close in Prayer: Start praying. Be bold and pray specifically.