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¹Nevertheless, there will be no more gloom for those who were in distress. In the past he humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the future he will honor Galilee of the nations, by the Way of the Sea, beyond the Jordan—

Isaiah 9:1-2 (NIV)

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have seen a great light;
on those living in the land of deep
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a light has dawned.

Isaiah 9:1-2 (NIV)

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THERE ARE FOUR DESCRIPTIONS OR
TITLES GIVEN TO JESUS IN ISAIAH 9:6:

- Wonderful Counselor
- Mighty God
- Everlasting Father
- Prince of Peace

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One of these four titles for the coming
Messiah doesn't seem to fit with the
others.

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How does “Everlasting Father”
possibly apply to Jesus?

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The Hebrew phrase “everlasting father - Ah’vi’awd”- appears only once in the Bible.

Aviad Avi = my father
Ad = eternal, forever

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TWO THINGS ISAIAH IS NOT SAYING:

- Isaiah is **not** referring to the first person of the Trinity, when he describes the coming messiah as “Everlasting Father.”
- Isaiah is **not** saying that Jesus (the second person of the trinity) is the same person as God the Father.

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God eternally exists as three persons,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and each
person is fully God, and there is one God.

Wayne Grudem, *Systematic Theology*

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Isaiah is saying some important and
profound things about Jesus:

1. Isaiah speaks of Jesus' timeless
and eternal nature.
Everlasting = forever and ever

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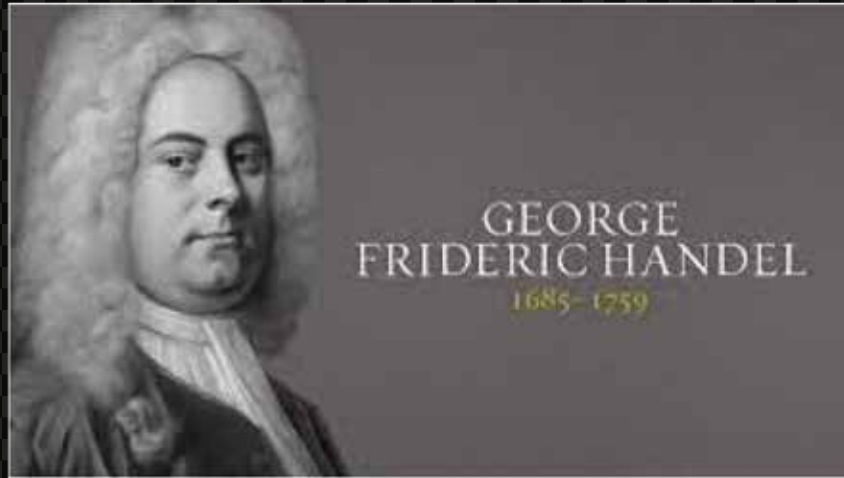
¹⁵For this is what the high and exalted One says—he who lives forever, whose name is holy

Isaiah 57:15 (NIV)

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Isaiah 57:15 (NIV) 1 of 2





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¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
²He was with God in the beginning.
³Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.

John 1:1-5 (NIV)

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⁴In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.

⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

John 1:1-5 (NIV)

¹⁴The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 1:14 (NIV)

¹That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched—this we proclaim concerning the Word of life.

1 John 1:1-2 (NIV)

²The life appeared; we have seen it and testify to it, and we proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us.

1 John 1:1-2 (NIV)

Isaiah is saying some important and profound things about Jesus:

2. Isaiah says that the coming Messiah (Jesus) will reveal God's eternal nature to us.

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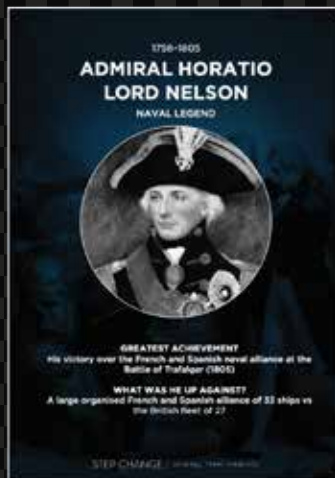
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⁹The true light that gives light to everyone
was coming into the world.

John 1:9 (NIV)

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Gentlemen, when the enemy is committed to a mistake we must not interrupt him too soon.

~ Horatio Nelson

— AZ QUOTES —

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John 1:14 (NIV)

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⁸Philip said, “Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us.”

⁹Jesus answered: “Don’t you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father.”

John 14:8-10 (NIV)

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John 14:8-10 (NIV) 1 of 2

How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?

¹⁰Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work.

John 14:8-10 (NIV)

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John 14:8-10 (NIV) Last of 2

Isaiah is saying some important and profound things about Jesus:

3. Isaiah says that the coming Messiah will make it possible for us to know God in a deeper, more personal way.

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and the government will be on his shoulders.
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Isaiah 9:6 (NIV)

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We only truly know God the Father
through Jesus Christ, his Son.

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²⁵At that time Jesus said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children.

Matthew 11:25-27 (NIV)

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²⁶Yes, Father, for this is what you were pleased to do.

²⁷"All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

Matthew 11:25-27 (NIV)

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You can't fully know and experience
God as Father without embracing the
son-ship of Jesus.

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⁶Jesus answered, "I am the way and the
truth and the life. No one comes to the
Father except through me.

John 14:6 (NIV)

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John 14:6 (NIV)

²³No one who denies the Son has the Father; whoever acknowledges the Son has the Father also.

1 John 2:23 (NIV)

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1 John 2:23 (NIV)

Isaiah is saying some important and profound things about Jesus:

4. Isaiah is saying that the Messiah, Jesus, will be the author or originator of a coming salvation.

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The word “Father” can mean the source or originator of something.

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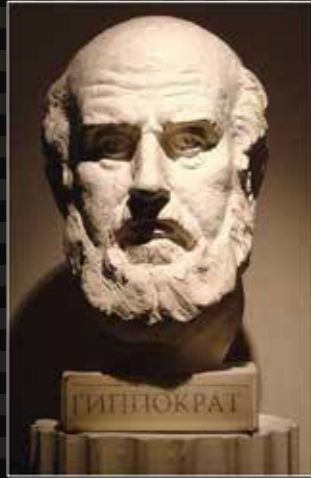
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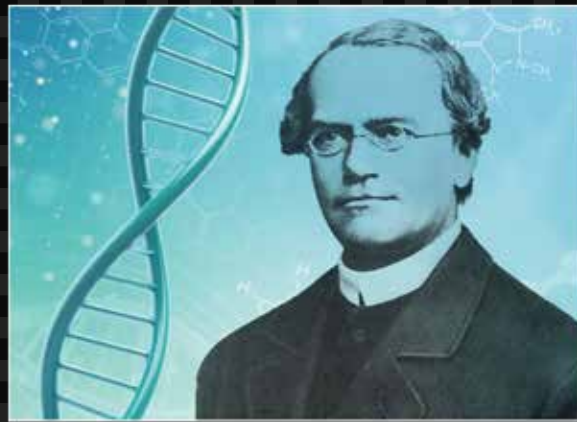
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When Jesus is called everlasting father, it means that Jesus is the author of eternal life.

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⁸Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered
⁹and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him

Hebrews 5:8-9 (NIV)

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We are adopted into God's family
through faith in Jesus.

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⁴For he chose us in him before the creation
of the world to be holy and blameless in his
sight. In love

⁵he predestined us for adoption to sonship
through Jesus Christ, in accordance with
his pleasure and will—

Ephesians 1:4-5 (NIV)

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Ephesians 1:4-5 (NIV)

Isaiah is saying some important and profound things about Jesus:

5. Through Jesus we fully know God's love for us.

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¹⁶This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters.

1 John 3:16 (NIV)

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¹³Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends.

John 15:13 (NIV)

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John 15:13 (NIV)



Shannon Johnson

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¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

¹⁷For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

John 3:16-17 (NIV)

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John 3:16-17 (NIV)

¹¹And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.

¹²Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

1 John 5:11-12 (NIV)

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1 John 5:11-12 (NIV)

