**And His name will be called Mighty God** *(Isaiah 9:6)*

**Introduction**

1. Among the names given the Messiah in **Isaiah 9:6** is ***“Mighty God.”***
2. This name tells us two things about the Messiah who Isaiah prophesied about 700 years before His birth:
   1. He would be ***“Mighty”*** – powerful.
   2. He is ***“God”*** – strength; the Almighty God. (*One and only true God.*)
3. **These points that inhere in this name given Him are important when it comes to the role He played, and plays in our salvation.**
4. Jesus, the Mighty God
5. He is God
   1. Pre-incarnate State:
      1. **John 1:1-5, 14** – John identifies Jesus as ***“the Word.”***
         1. With God – WAS GOD.
         2. In the beginning – In the beginning (Genesis account), God said.
         3. **Agent of creation** – without Him nothing was made, for all things were made through the word. 🡪
      2. **Hebrews 1:1-4** – God made the ***“worlds”*** through Him, and everything is upheld by His power.
      3. **Colossians 1:15-17** – by Him all things were created. (Firstborn in the sense of supremacy, and preeminence.)
   2. Present throughout history:
      1. **1 Corinthians 10:1-5** – the spiritual Rock which followed the Egyptians providing physical and spiritual sustenance.
      2. **Hebrews 11:24-26** – Moses was said to have chosen the reproach of Christ over the treasures of Egypt.
   3. He Claimed to be God:
      1. **John 5:16-23** – After healing a man on the Sabbath – made Himself equal with God, **and showed He has life, judgment, and honor**.
      2. ***“I and My Father are one” (John 10:30).***
      3. ***“He who believes in Me, believes not in Me but in Him who sent Me. And he who sees Me sees Him who sent Me” (John 12:44-45).***
      4. He told Philip after he asked Jesus to show them the Father, ***“He who has seen Me has seen the Father” (John 14:9).***
   4. ***Jesus was, and is God. There is further proof in the power, or “Might” He displayed 🡪***
6. He is Mighty
   1. **Mark 2:1-12** – Power to forgive sins validated by displayed power in healing the paralytic.
   2. **Matthew 12:22-26** – After healing a blind, mute man, the Pharisees claimed the power came from Satan. **Jesus shows that is illogical** – a house divided against itself will not stand. (*They knew what the display of power indicated, but did not want to believe.*)
   3. **John 20:30-31** – John’s gospel records these miracles to show His power, and that He is God’s Son, and we can have life.
   4. ***There are so many displays of His power in the NT. 🡪***
7. His Might at the Cross, and After (Earthquake after death, and then resurrection?)
   1. **His crucifixion was paradoxical** – it seemed to display His weakness, but in reality it was a time of victory. (*Satan seemed to be defeating Jesus, but it was actually the other way around.*)
   2. **Matthew 27:50-54** – Events immediately after His death made His divine nature obvious, and the power that was displayed in those events (tearing of the veil, earthquake, raised dead).
   3. **Romans 1:4** – Declared God’s Son with POWER in resurrection.
   4. ***“For though He was crucified in weakness, yet He lives by the power of God” (2 Corinthians 13:4).***

Jesus, who is the ***“Mighty God,”*** (BOTH GOD, and ALL POWERFUL) is available to help us – He serves as our High Priest (**cf. Hebrews 4:14-16**). ***HE EMPOWERS US – HIS MIGHT IS OFFERED TO US 🡪***

1. His Might in Us
2. Might in us through His word.
   1. **Colossians 1:9-12** (Prayer of Paul) – *Knowledge, wisdom, understanding 🡪 walk worthy, fruitfulness, increasing in knowledge 🡪 strengthened with all might.*
   2. **When we do not study, we refuse the power of Jesus being offered to us – the gospel is *“the power of God to salvation” (Romans 1:16).***
   3. **Philippians 2:12-13** – They needed to do their part – work out your own salvation – **but Paul encouraged them by letting them know God was working in them to this end. But how?** (Paul does not say here, but elsewhere) 🡪
   4. **1 Thessalonians 2:13** – They received the word of God (heard, believed, obeyed), and that word continued to work in them.
   5. **Philippians 4:10-13** – Paul knew how to continually be content – because Christ strengthened Him.
      1. How did Christ strengthen Him?
      2. **Christ strengthened Him through the word of promise, which allowed Paul to be content as he looked toward that which was far better! 🡪**
      3. **2 Peter 1:2-4** – The divine power grants us knowledge through revelation, and that along with the promises allow us to partake of the divine nature.
3. Jesus is the ***“Mighty God,”*** and His might is offered to us in His word so that we may reach heaven.

**Conclusion**

1. **Salvation is promised to those who follow Jesus.**
2. This path is not easy, but narrow and difficult **(cf. Matthew 7:13-14**). However, with the help from the ***“Mighty God,”*** we can make it to heaven. (**cf. Matthew 19:23-26** – impossible without Him, but possible with Him.)