



The Light of Fatherhood

A Light Is Shining – Part 3

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For unto us a child is born; unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder. These will be his royal titles: “Wonderful,” “Counselor,” “The Mighty God,” “The Everlasting Father,” “The Prince of Peace.” **Isaiah 9:6 (TLB)**

For God, who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God’s glory displayed in the face of Christ. **2 Corinthians 4:6 (NIV)**

For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form. **Colossians 2:9 (NIV)**

- Jesus reveals God’s **Wonderful Counsel**.

In him (Jesus) are stored all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. **Colossians 2:3 (ISV)**

- Jesus displays the **Might of God**.

Jesus has the power of God... **2 Peter 1:3a (ERV)**

- Jesus shows **God’s Fatherhood**.

I and the Father are one. **John 10:30 (NIV)**

If you have known me, you will also know my Father. From now on you know him through me and have seen him in me. **John 14:7 (GWT)**

Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. **John 14:9b (NIV)**

What does Jesus show me about The Everlasting Father?

1. The Everlasting Father **is the source of my true identity**.

Jesus looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas” (which, when translated, is Peter). **John 1:42b (NIV)**

When someone becomes a Christian, he becomes a brand new person inside. He is not the same anymore. A new life has begun!
2 Corinthians 5:17 (TLB)

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. **1 Peter 2:9 (NIV)**

2. The Everlasting Father **is the source of my security**.

I will lie down and sleep peacefully, for you, Lord, make me safe and secure. **Psalms 4:8 (NET)**

That is why I tell you not to worry about everyday life—whether you have enough food and drink, or enough clothes to wear. Isn’t life more than food, and your body more than clothing? ²⁶ Look at the birds. They don’t plant or harvest or store food in barns, for your heavenly Father feeds them. And aren’t you far more valuable to him than they are? **Matthew 6:25-26 (NIV)**

And if God cares so wonderfully for wildflowers that are here today and thrown into the fire tomorrow, he will certainly care for you. **Matthew 6:30 (NLT)**

Even if my father and mother abandon me, the Lord will take care of me. **Psalms 27:10 (GWT)**

3. The Everlasting Father **is the source of my destiny**.

We look at this Son and see God’s original purpose in everything created. For everything, absolutely everything, above and below, visible and invisible... everything got started in him and finds its purpose in him. He was there before any of it came into existence and holds it all together right up to this moment. **Colossians 1:15b-17 (MSG)**

It’s in Christ that we find out who we are and what we are living for. Long before we first heard of Christ and got our hopes up, he had his eye on us, had designs on us for glorious living, part of the overall purpose he is working out in everything and everyone. **Ephesians 1:11-12 (MSG)**