



Escaping Hopelessness

Wonderful Counselor

📖 Isaiah 9:6 (ESV) “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.”

The Lord’s **care** is **constant**.

📖 Isaiah 9:1 (ESV) “But there will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time He brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time He has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.”

📖 Isaiah 9:2 (ESV) “The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone.”

📖 1 Peter 5:7 (NIV84) “Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you.”

📖 John 14:27 (ESV) “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.”

The Lord’s **perspective** is **infinite**.

📖 Isaiah 9:6 (NET) “For a child has been born to us, a son has been given to us. He shoulders responsibility and is called: Extraordinary Strategist, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”

📖 Romans 8:28 (ESV) “And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to His purpose.”

📖 Hebrews 4:13 (LB) “He knows about everyone, everywhere. Everything about us is bare and wide open to the all-seeing eyes of our living God...”

📖 Psalm 33:13–15 (NLT) “The Lord looks down from heaven and sees the whole human race. ¹⁴ From His throne He observes all who live on the earth. ¹⁵ He made their hearts, so He understands everything they do.”

📖 Psalm 139:1–5 (NLT) O Lord, you have examined my heart and know everything about me. ² You know when I sit down or stand up. You know my thoughts even when I’m far away. ³ You see me when I travel and when I rest at home. You know everything I do. ⁴ You know what I am going to say even before I say it, Lord. ⁵ You go before me and follow me. You place your hand of blessing on my head.”

The Lord’s **experience** is **definite**.

📖 Hebrews 4:15 (ESV) “For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.”

📖 Isaiah 53:3 (ESV) “He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces He was despised, and we esteemed Him not.”

The Lord’s **resources** are **limitless**.

📖 Acts 17:25 (ESV) “...He Himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything.”

📖 Psalm 50:10 (ESV) “For every beast of the forest is mine, the cattle on a thousand hills.”

📖 Psalm 24:1 (NIV84) “The earth is the Lord’s, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it;”

📖 Ephesians 3:16–17 (NLT) “I pray that from His glorious, unlimited resources He will empower you with inner strength through His Spirit. ¹⁷ Then Christ will make His home in your hearts as you trust in Him. Your roots will grow down into God’s love and keep you strong.”

Ways of Escape: God brings hope to those who feel hopeless. Is the word



"hopeless" part of your everyday vocabulary? What seemingly hopeless situation are you or someone you care about currently facing? God is reaching out to you. Will you allow Him to help you?

God has limitless resources; are you taking advantage of that?