

## BIBLE PASSAGE

1 In the beginning the Word already existed.

The Word was with God,  
and the Word was God.

2 He existed in the beginning with God.

3 God created everything through him,  
and nothing was created except through him.

4 The Word gave life to everything that was created,  
and his life brought light to everyone.

5 The light shines in the darkness,  
and the darkness can never extinguish it.

6 God sent a man, John the Baptist, 7 to tell about  
the light so that everyone might believe because of  
his testimony. 8 John himself was not the light; he  
was simply a witness to tell about the light. 9 The one  
who is the true light, who gives light to everyone, was  
coming into the world.

10 He came into the very world he created, but the  
world didn't recognize him. 11 He came to his own  
people, and even they rejected him. 12 But to all who  
believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to  
become children of God. 13 They are reborn—not  
with a physical birth resulting from human passion or  
plan, but a birth that comes from God.

14 So the Word became human and made his home  
among us. He was full of unfailing love and  
faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of  
the Father's one and only Son.

John 1:1-14 (NLT)

## KEY TAKE-AWAYS



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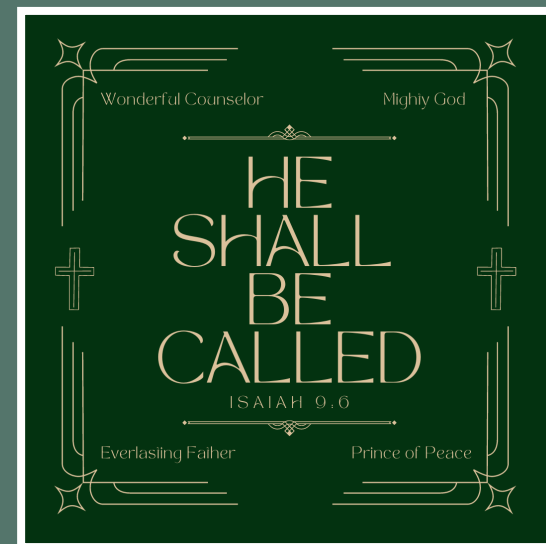
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## ADVENT MIGHTY GOD

### SERMON-BASED DISCUSSION



All the believers devoted  
themselves to the apostles'  
teaching, and to fellowship, and to  
sharing in meals, and to prayer.  
Acts 2:42 (NLT)



FAITH FORMATION  
*connect. grow. lead.*



At Manheim BIC we strive to initiate and nurture a growing relationship with Christ.

**For your time together:**

**Connect**

Get to know each other. Connect, warm up to each other, fellowship. After a long week of all kind of things, just let everyone arrive.

**Care**

Carry each others burdens. Share life's challenges and practice Soul Care. Cry together. Support each other. Pray together. - Ask: How are you doing?

**Challenge**

Dive into God's Word. Use the discussion points. Learn from each others insight. Encourage and challenge each other to live a godly life. Ask: What is God teaching us today?

**Clarify**

Make sure that everyone knows what's next. Next in your life with God. Next up within the group. Next in general. Have an applicable mission for the week.

**Celebrate**

Celebrate life's success and God's provision. Worship God's presence. Time to brag about God. - Ask: What has God done in our life that deserves praise?

# GROUP DISCUSSION & LIFE CHALLENGE

Use these notes as discussion prompt for your group, or in your personal time with God.

**ANTICIPATION OF JESUS' COMING.** Last week we looked at the fact that Jesus is a WONDERFUL COUNSELOR. This week Pastor Corby is helping us understand a second name of Jesus: MIGHTY GOD. And while there is a lot more to that name than we can ever cover or comprehend, we can still learn valuable lessons and truths from this name.

**What do you anticipate to come up?**

What are you anticipating this Christmas season? What is planned? What could come up unexpectedly? What will come up but you don't really like it? Write a list of 2-4 things that you anticipate -good or bad.

Now, what comes to your mind when you hear: God is a MIGHTY GOD? What does this name mean to you? What does it trigger?

Read John 1:1-14. Underline all the things that describe God in this text. For example: God is Light. What else is being said about God? Pick one attribute of God that stands out to you and write it down here:

God is

Corby said: "The name MIGHTY GOD was saying that this child to be born is God!"

Where do you find yourself currently?

- Mountain top experience
- Dark Valley walk
- Somewhere in-between

Share details:

How does knowing God as the **MIGHTY GOD** play into that experience? How does knowing, the mighty God is **God with us!** help you in difficult times? Share your thoughts. Be honest. Be vulnerable.

*Lord, in these times of uncertainty we want to cling to you. In times, were we anticipate pain to overwhelm us, we speak your Name.*

*- Wonderful Counselor, Might God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace -*