FOR UNTO US A CHILD IS BORN- ISA 9:6, 12/12/21

Isaiah 96 For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders.

And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

FOR TO US

Lk 28 And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. 9 An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. 10 But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring <u>you</u> good news that will cause great joy for all the <u>people</u>. 11 Today in the town of David a Savior has been <u>born to you</u>; he is the Messiah, the Lord

Jn 3¹⁶ For God so <u>loved the world that he gave</u> his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Rom 8³¹ What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is <u>for us</u>, who can be against us? ³² He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up <u>for us</u> all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?

A CHILD IS BORN

Lk 212 This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

Mt 11²⁸ "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am <u>gentle and humble</u> in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

Mt 18³ And he said: "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like <u>little children</u>, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

TO US A SON IS GIVEN

Lk 1³⁰ But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. ³¹ You will conceive and give birth to a <u>son</u>, and you are to call <u>him Jesus</u>. ³² <u>He</u> will be great and will be called the <u>Son of the Most High</u>. The Lord God will give <u>him</u> the throne of <u>his</u> father David, ³³ and <u>he</u> will reign over Jacob's descendants forever; <u>his</u> kingdom will never end." ³⁴ "How will this be," Mary asked the angel, "since I am a virgin?" ³⁵ The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God.

Mt 1²⁰ But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph <u>son</u> of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹ She will give birth to a <u>son</u>, and you are to give <u>him</u> the name Jesus, because <u>he</u> will save <u>his</u> people from their sins." ²² All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: ²³ "The virgin will conceive and give birth to a <u>son</u>, and they will call <u>him</u> Immanuel" (which means "God with us").

Jn 4¹⁰ Jesus answered her, "If you knew the <u>gift of God</u> and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."

Acts 2³⁸ Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Rom 6²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the <u>gift</u> of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. 2 Cor 9¹⁵ Thanks be to God for his indescribable <u>gift</u>!

AND THE GOVERNMENT WILL BE ON HIS SHOULDERS

Rev 11 ¹⁵ The seventh angel sounded his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, which said: "The <u>kingdom</u> of the world has become the <u>kingdom</u> of our Lord and of his Messiah, and he will <u>reign</u> for ever and ever." 19 ¹⁶ On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: <u>KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.</u>

Ex 39 ⁶ They mounted the onyx stones in gold filigree settings and engraved them like a seal with the names of the sons of Israel. ⁷ Then they fastened them on the <u>shoulder</u> pieces of the ephod as memorial stones for the sons of Israel, as the LORD commanded Moses.

Isa 22 ²² I will place on his <u>shoulder</u> the key to the house of David; what he opens no one can shut, and what he shuts no one can open.

Lk 154 "Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn't he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? ⁵ And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his <u>shoulders</u>

Isa 11:1-10

WHAT'S GOD SAYING TO YOU? – write it down, pray it back, share it with others!

Heavenly Father, You are for me, for us, for others. Thank you for sending Jesus, baby, Son of God, Son of Man. He is the gift. I receive Him like a little child. I welcome Him, trust Him rely on Him- for heaven, and for now! The government will be on His shoulders, and He carries me on His shoulders. I submit to His rule and reign. I especially sense you telling me...