

HE SHALL BE CALLED

WONDERFUL COUNSELOR

For a child is born to us, a son is given to us. The government will rest on his shoulders. And He will be called: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6 (NLT)

Wonderful Counselor

pele' (peh'-leh); incomprehensible, too wonderful for words

ya`ats (yaw-ats'); to advise, to consult, to guide

JESUS—THE WONDERFUL COUNSELOR

HE COMES FOR THE SICK.

Jesus answered them, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the <u>sick</u>. I have not come to call the righteous, but <u>sinners</u> to repentance." **Luke 5:31-32 (NIV)**

Where Am I Sick?

HOW TO GET HEALING FROM THE WONDERFUL COUNSELOR

1. I must get REAL with myself and the Wonderful Counselor.

"Go and get your husband," Jesus told her. "I don't have a husband," the woman replied. Jesus said, "You're right! You don't have a husband— John 4:16-17 (NLT)

2. I must <u>listen</u> to the Counselor's <u>voice</u>.

Then a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my dearly loved Son. Listen to him." Mark 9:7 (NLT)

My sheep <u>listen to my voice</u>; I know them, and they follow me. **John 10:27 (NIV)**

Jesus counsels us in four ways:

Jesus speaks to us through the <u>Bible</u>. (2 Timothy 3:16)
Jesus speaks to us through <u>teachers</u> and <u>counselors</u>. (Eph. 4:11-16)
Jesus speaks to us through <u>impressions</u>. (Ephesians 4:30)
Jesus speaks to us through our circumstances. (Acts 16:6)

3. I must do what the Counselor tells me to do.

"Teacher," he declared, "all these I have kept since I was a boy." Jesus looked at him and loved him... Mark 10:20-21a (NIV)

"One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me." At this the man's face fell. He went away <u>sad</u>, because he had great wealth. Mark 10:21b-22 (NIV)

Why won't you let Jesus take control?

Going deeper on your own: Read Luke 5:27-32. Who did Jesus come for? In what area of our life are we "sick?" (Be honest. What is your deepest struggle, fear, hurt, or addiction?) In the second point, Pastor Jay talked about listening to Jesus, the Wonderful Counselor. Explain how He has spoken to you in the past. What did He show you? So many people don't do what the doctors or counselors suggest. Why do you think that is? What is Jesus the Wonderful Counselor leading you to do? Be specific. Go share it with a true friend, you know one who will speak honestly to you and ask them to help you follow Christ leading.