Isa 9:6 - (pt3) The Everlasting Father

Isa 9:6-7 KJV For unto us a child is born, unto us **a son is given:** and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The **everlasting Father**, The Prince of Peace.

"Everlasting Father" Is NOT talking about Jesus' relationship within the Trinity

- There are three distinct persons in the Trinity Father, Son and Holy Spirit
- He is talking about a Child born, a Son given which is Jesus the 2nd person of the trinity

What is the trinity

- Father, Son and Holy Spirit are distinct persons
- Each is called God
- There is One God

<u>"Everlasting Father" is talking about Jesus' Relationship to Us in Salvation</u> Jesus Is the AUTHOR or SOURCE of eternal salvation

• Heb 5:9 ESV And being made perfect, he became **the source** [KJV **author**] of <u>eternal salvation</u> to all who obey him

We are called His OFFSPRING

• Isa 53:10 NIV Yet it was the LORD's will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the LORD makes his life an offering for sin, **he will see his offspring** and prolong his days, and the will of the LORD will prosper in his hand.

Here am I and the children God has given me - sounds like Fatherhood

• Heb 2:9-14 NIV But we do see Jesus, who was made lower than the angels for a little while, now crowned with glory and honor because he suffered death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. 10 In bringing many sons and daughters to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through what he suffered....12 He says, "I will declare your name to my brothers and sisters; in the assembly I will sing your praises." 13And again he says, "Here am I, and the children God has given me." 14 Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might break the power of him who holds the power of death--that is, the devil--

Eternal Father - What is Jesus' Relationship to Eternity?

He is ETERNAL

• Psa 90:1-2 NIV A prayer of Moses the man of God. Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations. (2) Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the whole world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

He Reigns Forever

Exo 15:18 NIV "The LORD reigns for ever and ever."

His Righteousness Endures Forever

 Psa 111:3 NIV Glorious and majestic are his deeds, and his righteousness endures forever.

His precepts are established forever - His Covenant is forever - Eternal PRAISE is His

Psa 111:7-10 NIV The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy. 8 They are established for ever and ever, enacted in faithfulness and uprightness. 9 He provided redemption for his people; he ordained his covenant forever-holy and awesome is his name. 10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all who follow his precepts have good understanding. To him belongs eternal praise.

He is unchanging forever

• Heb 13:8 KJV Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever.

He alone is Immortal

• 1Ti 6:16 NIV <u>who alone is immortal</u> and who lives in unapproachable light, whom no one has seen or can see. To him be honor and might forever. Amen.

Tho He Alone is Immortal He promises Eternal Life and Immortality to Us Mortality will put on IMMORTALITY

• 1Co 15:51-57 NIV Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed— (52) in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. (53) For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality.

He PROMISES eternal life

• 1Jn 2:23-25 NIV No one who denies the Son has the Father; whoever acknowledges the Son has the Father also. (24) As for you, see that what you have heard from the beginning remains in you. If it does, you also will remain in the Son and in the Father. (25) **And this is what he promised us--***eternal life*.

Eternal Life is ONLY found in Jesus

- 1Jn 5:11-12 NIV And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. 12 Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.
- Joh 3:36 NIV Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life, but whoever rejects the Son will not see life, for God's wrath remains on them.

Our Mission is Critical because there is Everlasting Life / Everlasting Judgement

• 2Th 1:7-9 NIV ...This will happen when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven in blazing fire with his powerful angels. (8) He will punish those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. (9) They will be punished with **everlasting destruction** and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might

How Acknowledging the Eternal Nature of Christ Affects Me Today

Trust

- Isa 26:4 NIV Trust in the LORD forever, for the LORD, the LORD himself, is the Rock eternal.
- Psa 52:8 NIV But I am like an olive tree flourishing in the house of God; I trust in God's unfailing love for ever and ever.

Burden for the Lost

• Dan 12:3 NIV Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.

Clarity Regarding the distinction between THIS life and ETERNAL life

• 1Jn 2:15-17 NIV Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. (16) For everything in the world--the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life--comes not from the Father but from the world. (17) The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God **lives forever**..

Hope

• 2Co 4:16-18 NIV Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. 17 For our **light and momentary troubles** are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. 18 So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.