

# EVERLASTING FATHER

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"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. Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon His kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even forever." (Isaiah 9:6-7)

This quote from the Book of Isaiah is clearly a Messianic prophecy, and presents four different names, or titles of the Messiah, and the the nature of His eternal Kingdom. This is the only place in the Bible, both Old & New testaments, where the Messiah Jesus is directly called a Father, and specifically **an Everlasting Father**!

**Everlasting:** from the Hebrew word **ad** which means "forever".

**Father:** from the Hebrew word **ab** which means "father".

Thus "**ad ab**" means **Everlasting Father**!

**Father:**

1. - A man's relation to his natural child or children, and who provides continuous care for them. (the most common father relationship mentioned in the Bible)
2. - A man who provides continuous care of a child by adoption; or as a stepfather, or as a foster father. (Eli and Samuel - 1 Samuel Chapters 1-3)
3. - An important figure in the origin and early history, or of something; a founding father. (Abraham was "the father of many nations" - Genesis 17:1-8)
4. - A man who gives care and protection to someone. (Job was a "father to the poor" - Job 29:16).
5. - The oldest or most respected male member of a society or other group of persons. (Father Abraham)
6. - A man who is the spiritual mentor, or father, to someone else. (as is Jesus to us)

The ultimate fulfillment of the Isaiah prophecy happens within the everlasting Kingdom age mentioned within the prophecy. This Kingdom is referred to in the New Testament as both the Kingdom of Heaven, and the Kingdom of God. Jesus the Christ will be King of Kings; and Lord of Lords; and in His Kingdom He will be the Everlasting Father to all who call upon His Name. The name Everlasting Father implies the existence of everlasting children. These everlasting children are all those who believe in Jesus as Lord and Savior!.

Consider this familiar passage:

"There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto Him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no man can do these miracles that you do, except God be with Him." Jesus answered and said unto him, "Truly, truly, I say unto you, **except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God**. Nicodemus said unto Him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?" Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say unto you, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; **and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit**. Marvel not that I said unto you, "You must be born again"". (John 3:1-7)

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We were 'born of the flesh' by our natural father; and we are born again by the Spirit through our Everlasting Father - Jesus, as it further says:

"And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up; so that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have **Everlasting life**." (John 3:14-15)

"...Jesus said unto them, "Yet for a little while the Light is with you. Walk while you have the Light, lest darkness come upon you; for he who walks in darkness knows not where he goes. While you have Light, believe in the Light, **that you may be the children of Light (another name-title of Jesus)**. (John 12:35-36)

Jesus, the **Everlasting Father**, the promised Messiah, the Son of Man who was lifted up on the cross, is the Light, whose children (sons) we are if we believe in Him.

This name of Jesus, is also rightly, and naturally, shared with the God the Father! Consider these Verses:

"There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came for a witness, to bear witness of the **Light** (Jesus), that all men through Him (Jesus) might believe. He (John the Baptist) was not that **Light**, but was sent to bear witness of that **Light**, who was the **True Light**, which enlightens every man who comes into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by Him, and the world did not know Him. He came unto His own, and His own did not receive Him. But as many as did receive Him, to them He gave power to become the sons of God, even to those who believe on His name; **who were born**, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but **of God**! (John 1:6-12)

"For all who are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. For you have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but you have received the Spirit of adoption, by which we cry, Abba, Father. The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God; and if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with Him, that we may be also glorified together." (see Romans 8:1-14-17)

"Behold, what manner of love the Father has bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God! (1John: 3:1)

**Jesus is ...**

**the Everlasting Father**

**the the child who was born,  
the son who was given,**

**whose Government shall increase forever,  
and whose Kingdom shall be establish with judgment and justice forever !**

**Jesus is OUR Everlasting Father !  
We are His Everlasting Children (Sons) !**

**Our Father, who is in heaven, Your Name be Hallowed!  
May Your Kingdom come, May Your will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven!**

**Always and Always, Forever and Everlasting !**