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The Names of Christmas

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The Names of Christmas

*The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned... 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**. Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever.*

Isaiah 9:2,6,7

Wonderful Counselor

*In those days the advice Ahithophel gave
was like that of one who inquires of God.*

2 Sam.16:23

Wonderful Counselor

A counselor who is:

- Always available
- Always trustworthy
- Wise, able to give sound advice

Wonderful Counselor

“And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” Matt.28:20

Wonderful Counselor

“I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty... whoever comes to me I will never drive away.”

Jn.6:35,37

Wonderful Counselor

able to help those who are being tempted.

Heb. 2:18

sympathize with our weaknesses.

Heb. 4:15

Wonderful Counselor

*“First let the children eat all they want,”
he told her, “for it is not right to take the
children’s bread and toss it to the dogs.”*

Mk.7:27

“Okay, I understand. I am not from Israel, I do not worship the God that the Israelites worship. Therefore, I don’t have a place at the table. I accept that” ... She is wrestling with Jesus in the most respectful way and she will not take no for an answer.’

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Mk.7:27

*“Even the dogs under the table eat the
children’s crumbs.”*

Mk.7:28

Wonderful Counselor

- not to hoard wealth
- to love our enemies
- to make God's priorities, our priorities
- to take care of people who are needy
- to forgive over and over again
- to embed prayer into our life routines
- to value loving Jesus above everyone and everything else
- to be generous with our possessions
- to love other people more than we love ourselves
- to tell others about Jesus and help them to follow him too
- and much more...

Wonderful Counselor

“Everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against the house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock.”

Mt.7:24,25

Wonderful Counselor

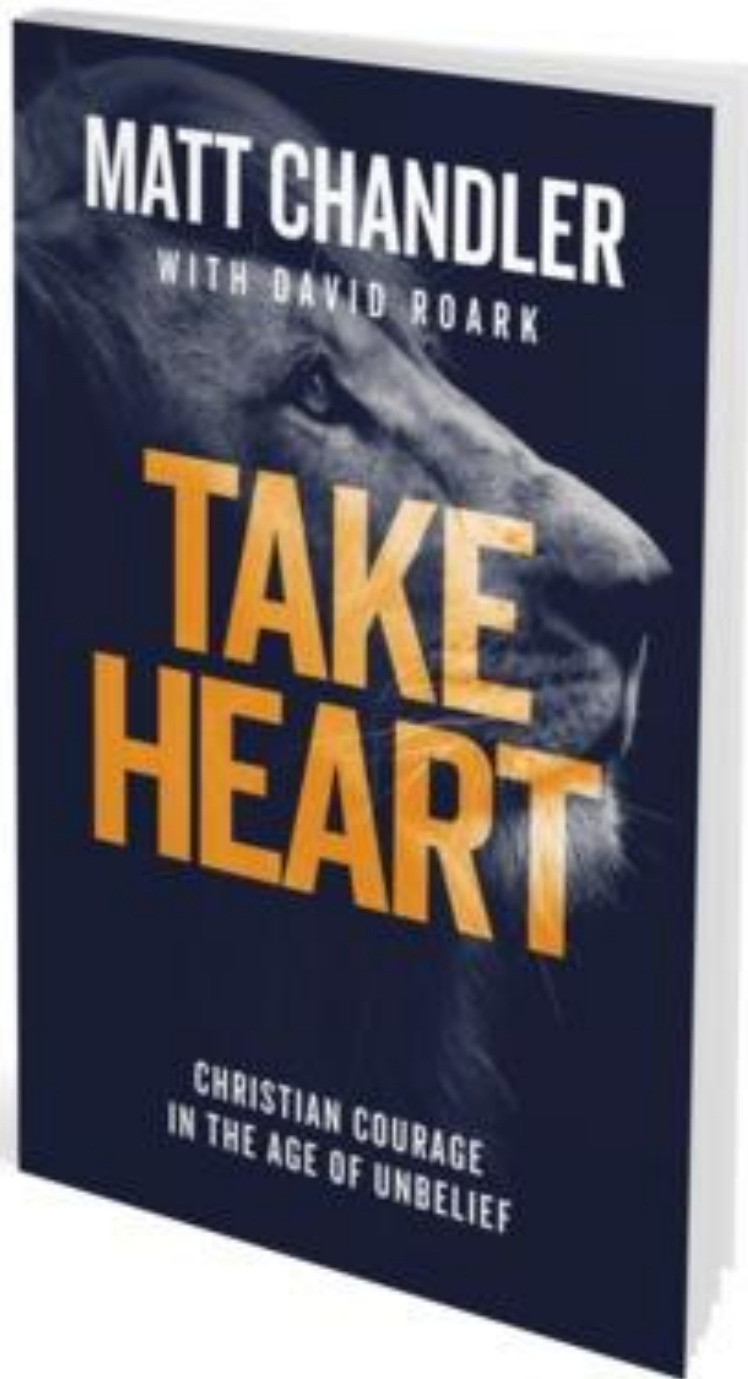
“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.”

Mt.11:28,29

Mighty
God

*Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong
and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.*

Psalms 24:8



The arc of history bends toward the justice and peace and triumph of Christ's return, and that is the story and the message and the confidence of the church.

Mighty God

I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and wages war. His eyes are like blazing fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself. He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God. The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean. Coming out of his mouth is a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. He will rule them with an iron scepter. He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty. On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

Rev.19:11-16

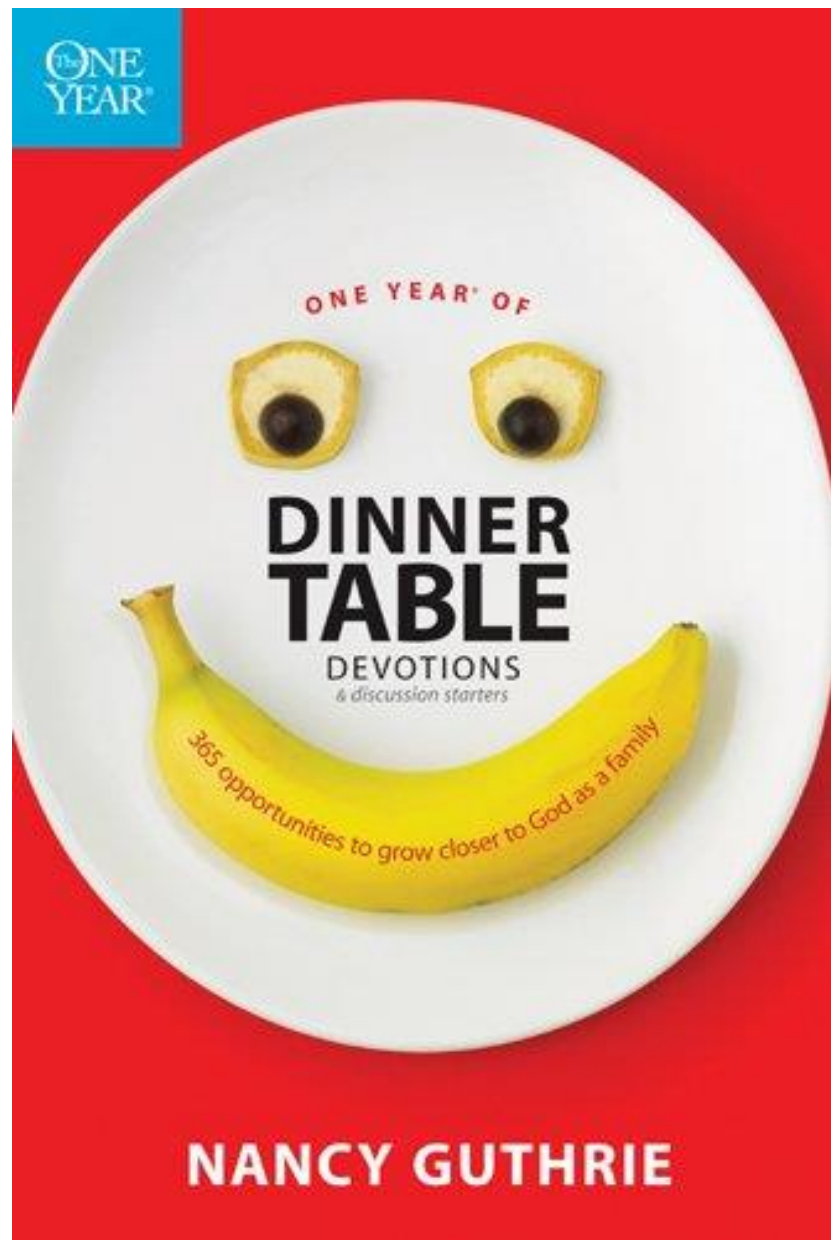
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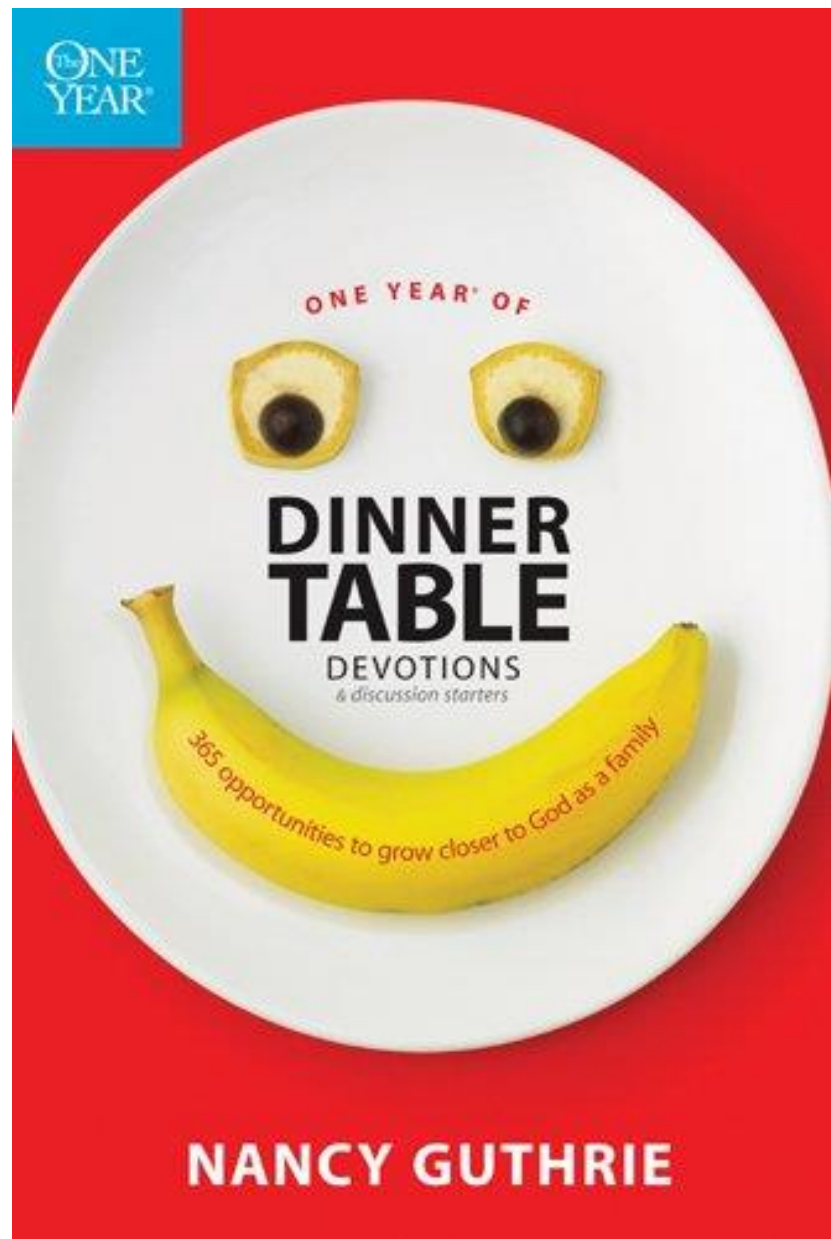
Darrell W. Johnson

‘It means
that Jesus is
gonna win.’

When you're really in trouble, you want someone strong to show up to save you – a real hero. And as people living in this world, we really are in trouble, really in need of someone to save us from our slavery to sin. And God sent someone to save us. But this Savior didn't seem strong. He seemed ordinary and weak. God sent us a Savior in the form of a baby.



The prophet Isaiah assured us that was no ordinary baby, and he grew up to be no ordinary man. As the *Wonderful Counselor*, he has the best ideas and strategies; he's the wisest and most perfect teacher. If we listen to him, we'll know what to do. It is good that he is strong and mighty, because the enemy of sin overpowers us.



As the *Mighty God*, he uses his power on our behalf, helping us overcome sin. We can find protection in him, when we're tempted...

Who could ask for more at Christmas than a baby who became our strong deliverer and our source of security and satisfaction forever?

