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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**. **Isaiah 9:6 (NIV)** 

**Gibbor:** strength, might, powerful warrior

Jesus was born in the town of Bethlehem in Judea, during the reign of King Herod. About that time some wise men from eastern lands arrived in Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We have seen his star as it arose, and we have come to worship him." **Herod was deeply disturbed by their question...** Matthew 2:1-3 (NLT)

He called a meeting of the leading priests and teachers of religious law. "Where did the prophets say the Messiah would be born?" he asked them. Matthew 2:4 (NLT)

Then Herod sent a private message to the wise men, asking them to come see him. At this meeting he learned the exact time when they first saw the star. Then he told them, "Go to Bethlehem and search carefully for the child. **And when you find him, come back and tell me so that I can go and worship him, too!**" Matthew 2:7-8 (NLT)

Herod was furious when he learned that the wise men had outwitted him. He sent soldiers to kill all the boys in and around Bethlehem who were two years old and under, because the wise men had told him the star first appeared to them about two years earlier. <a href="Matthew">Matthew</a> 2:16 (NLT)

#### How Do I Access God's Power?

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"What do mean, 'If I can'?" Jesus asked. "Anything is possible if a person believes.

The father instantly cried out, "I do believe, but **help me overcome my unbelief!**" Mark 9:23-24 (NLT)

# 2. \_\_\_\_\_ God.

[Jesus said] "Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in Me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For **apart from Me you can do nothing**." **John 15:5 (NLT)** 

# For your own notes:

# **Daily Bible Readings**

Mon-Matthew 2:1-12//Tue-Matthew 2:13-23

Wed-Matthew 14:13-21//Thu-Matthew 14:25-33

Fri—John 21:1-14//Sat/Sun—2 Corinthians 12:2-10

### **Memory Verse:**

My power works best in your weakness. 2 Corinthians 12:9 (NLT)

Join us online or in-person next weekend for:

A Child Is Born, Part 3

#### **Weekend Service Times:**

Sat. at **6:15 p.m.** & Sun. at **10:30 a.m.** & **12:15 p.m.**