Snapshots of Jesus (3): Everlasting Father Isaiah 9:6

I. Introduction

The title "Everlasting Father" is an idiom used to describe the Messiah's relationship to people, not His relationship to the other members of the Trinity.

- II. The Meaning of "Everlasting Father."
 - A. Jesus will eternally reign from the throne of David (2 Samuel 7:12-16; Luke 1:31-33).
 - B. Jesus is the founder of the church (Matthew 16:18; Ephesians 5:23).
- III. Jesus Christ and the Kingdom of God
 - A. The Davidic / Messianic Kingdom: The visible, earthly kingdom promised to Israel in the Davidic covenant (2 Samuel. 7:12-16).
 - B. The Universal Kingdom: Christ's rule over the entire world (Micah 4:1-5).
 - C. The Spiritual Kingdom: Christ rules only over believers and the believing Jews and Gentiles are equal heirs of God's promises (Ephesians 3:6).
- **IV.** Conclusion

Christ governs the world and our life in perfect wisdom, justice, and love (Romans 11).