

Isaiah 9:6

For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

How many times do we say about Jesus that He is the ***Wonderful, Counselor?***

So if that's true, then why do so many Christians seek counsel from the world? You got a problem, you post it on Facebook looking for counsel, not only from Christians, but also from your non-Christian friends as well. Or maybe you read self-help or counseling books written from the worlds perspective trying to find help or the answers.

It reminds me of when King Solomon died, and his son, Rehoboam was to rule after him. The children of Israel wanted the heavy labor that was put upon them by King Solomon lightened, so they said, ***"Your father made our yoke heavy; now therefore, lighten the burdensome service of your father, and his heavy yoke which he put on us, and we will serve you."*** 1 Kings 12:4

A little paraphrasing now would be; Simply make things a little easier on us and we will serve you like we did your dad Solomon. King Rehoboam then said to give him three days and he would give them an answer. So the Rehoboam sought counsel from the godly men who learned from his dad, King Solomon, who was the wisest man in the world (Next to Jesus of course). But he rejected their counsel and sought the counsel of his friends, which was not godly counsel, and he followed the ungodly counsel instead with the results being:

† **1 Kings 12:16** *Now when all Israel saw that the king did not listen to them, the people answered the king, saying: "What share have we in David? We have no inheritance in the son of Jesse. To your tents, O Israel! Now, see to your own house, O David!" So Israel departed to their tents.*

So Rehoboam pretty much lost almost all of his kingdom except for the tribe of Judah. You can read the entire story in 1 Kings chapter 12.

Therefore, keeping all this in mind, if you are going to call Jesus, ***Wonderful Counselor***, which He is, then let Him be that in your life, and don't seek the world's counsel, because if you do, you could lose pretty much everything that the Lord wants to bless you with. Simply seek Him and Him alone.

Yes, God can and will use godly men and women to speak to you, and it's not wrong to seek counsel from other Christians.

† **Psalm 37:30-31 (NLT)** *The godly offer good counsel; they teach right from wrong. They have made God's law their own, so they will never slip from his path.*