

Lesson 8

Pictures of Jesus

The Everlasting Father



Isaiah 9: 6 | “And he will be called **The Everlasting Father.**”

Have you ever heard the expression, “the father of our country”? Do you know what this means? When we call someone the “father” of something, we mean that this person is the creator of something.

Jesus is called the Everlasting Father because He is the Father of the Church. Jesus began the Church and He will always be with the Church. That is what everlasting means, Jesus will always be with us.

When Jesus was on earth, He went from town to town preaching the good news of God’s love and salvation (saving us from sin). Jesus also picked twelve men who He trained to carry the message of salvation all over the world. These men would be the start of the Church as they went everywhere teaching people about Jesus. Jesus was like the father training His sons to continue His work.

Jesus loves His Church and all who believe in Him. He is like a father to us as He teaches, guides and protects us. Jesus loves us so much that He died on the cross to save us from our sins. After Jesus returned to heaven, He gave us the Church so that we had someplace to go to

learn about Him and to get help with things that trouble us. The Church is a wonderful gift that Jesus made for us. We should try to go to church as often as we can to hear about the love of Jesus for all of us.

PRAYER TIME

We thank you Jesus for the gift of Your Church. It is a wonderful place to go and hear about all that You did for us. Help us to learn about God's love for us and teach us how to live the way You want us to live. Amen