



***“The Warrior - Shepherd”***

Micah 5:2,4 ♦ Pastor Jim Lennon  
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***Introduction - Today on the third Sunday of Advent, we will look at another surprising irony of Christmas. Messiah is both a warrior and a shepherd.***

***I. The Expectation of a Divine Warrior.***

A. Examples of God fighting the enemies of His people.

B. Israel expected Messiah to come as a divine warrior.

***II. The Advent of a Gentle Shepherd.***

A. The combination of a warrior - shepherd was not totally unusual in ancient Israel.

B. The warrior- kings were also referred to as shepherds of their people.

C. God likened Himself to both a warrior and a shepherd.

D. The prophecies describe Messiah as both a warrior and a shepherd.

E. Since Jesus came as the Good Shepherd, the fulfillment requires two advents.

F. We expect Jesus to return as a shepherd and warrior king.

***Conclusion.***

***Christmas application:***