

Isaiah and Messianic Prophecy Season 1: *Isaiah's Prophecy Begins*

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לגלות את ישוע היהודי

Scripture

- **Isaiah 7:14**

“Therefore, the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, a virgin will be with child and bear a son, and she will call His name Immanuel.”

- **Matthew 1:23**

“Behold, the virgin shall be with child and shall bear a son, and they call His name Immanuel,” which translated means, “God with us.”

- **Isaiah 9:1-2, 6-7**

But there will be no more gloom for her who was in anguish; in earlier times He treated the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali with contempt, but later on He shall make it glorious, by the way of the sea, on the other side of Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles. The people who walk in darkness will see a great light; those who live in a dark land, the light will shine on them.

For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; and the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness from then on and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will accomplish this.

- **Matthew 4:12-17**

Now when Jesus heard that John had been taken into custody, He withdrew into Galilee; and leaving Nazareth, He came and settled in Capernaum, which is by the sea, in the region of Zebulun and Naphtali.

This was to fulfill what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet: “The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, by the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles. The people who were sitting in darkness saw a great light, and those who were sitting in the land and shadow of death, upon them a light dawned.” From that time Jesus began to preach and say, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

- **John 1:1**

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

- **Isaiah 11:1-10**

Then a shoot will spring from the stem of Jesse, and a branch from his roots will bear fruit. The Spirit of the LORD will rest on Him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and strength, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. And He will delight in the fear of the LORD, and He will not

judge by what His eyes see, nor make a decision by what His ears hear, but with righteousness He will judge the poor, and decide with fairness for the afflicted of the earth; And He will strike the earth with the rod of His mouth, and with the breath of His lips He will slay the wicked. Also, righteousness will be the belt about His loins, and faithfulness the belt about His waist. And the wolf will dwell with the lamb, and the leopard will lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little boy will lead them. Also the cow and the bear will graze, their young will lie down together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox. The nursing child will play by the hole of the cobra, and the weaned child will put his hand on the viper's den. They will not hurt or destroy in all My holy mountain, for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. Then in that day the nations will resort to the root of Jesse, who will stand as a signal for the peoples; and His resting place will be glorious.

Other Scriptures

- Genesis 22:18

Main Points

- It is important for us to understand how our faith in Jesus is rooted in the Old Testament.
- The Tanakh consists of the Torah, the first five books of the Bible, the Prophets, the Neviim, and the writings and Proverbs, the Ketuvim.
- The Hebrew translation **Almah** in English is the word virgin.
- Jesus fulfills Israel's history by reliving and repeating the same patterns.
- Isaiah prophesied that Messiah's primary ministry would be around the Sea of Galilee.
- Most of Jesus' ministry did not take place in Jerusalem; His ministry took place in the Galilee area.
- Messiah is God in the flesh!
- Jesus has fulfilled these ancient prophecies.

Discussion Questions

1. How are Matthew and Isaiah connected in Scripture? Who was Matthew's audience?
2. Why does the word "virgin" in Isaiah 7:14 make the most sense rather than young woman? Why is this critical to our faith and belief in Jesus as our Savior and Messiah?
3. What Old Testament woman established a pattern that Mary fulfilled? How so?
4. What predictions were made about the physical area of ministry in which Jesus would work?
5. What concept about Jesus did John 1:1 and Isaiah 7:6 tell us about Jesus' humanity?
6. How does understanding these concepts bless your life in Him?