Isaíah and Messianic Prophecy Season 1: Israel's Prophetic Destiny



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<u>Scripture</u>

Deuteronomy 7:6

"For you are a holy people to the LORD your God; the LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for His own possession out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth."

• Isaiah 41:8

"But you, Israel, My servant, Jacob whom I have chosen, Descendant of Abraham My friend,"

• Isaiah 45:4

"For the sake of Jacob My servant, and Israel My chosen one, I have also called you by your name; I have given you a title of honor though you have not known Me."

• Matthew 15:21-24

Jesus went away from there and withdrew into the district of Tyre and Sidon. And a Canaanite woman from that region came out and began to cry out, saying, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is cruelly demon-possessed." But He did not answer her a word. And His disciples came and implored Him, saying, "Send her away, because she keeps shouting at us." But He answered and said, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."

Deuteronomy 31:24-27

It came about, when Moses finished writing the words of this law in a book until they were complete, that Moses commanded the Levites who carried the ark of the covenant of the LORD, saying, "Take this book of the law and place it beside the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God, that it may remain there as a witness against you. For I know your rebellion and your stubbornness; behold, while I am still alive with you today, you have been rebellious against the LORD; how much more, then, after my death?"

Other Scriptures

- Galatians 3:14
- John 15:15
- John 4:22
- Acts 4:12
- Romans 14:11
- John 14: 6
- Genesis 22:18
- Matthew 1:1

Main Points

- Jesus and His followers used the Old Testament to reveal who the Messiah would be, and then showed how Jesus is that person.
- God had a very specific and special role for the people of Israel.
- God singles Israel out of all the nations for a very specific purpose.
- God wants to be your friend!
- Jesus had to first fulfill His mission within Israel before His grace could be released to the entire world.
- If we are going to fully understand scripture, we need to understand it from a Jewish perspective.
- The Christian faith was born out of Israel.
- God chose Israel so that through them He could extend His mercy and lovingkindness in the entire world.
- Israel's divine representative, King Jesus, has fulfilled Israel's destiny by bringing revelation and the love of God to the entire earth.

Discussion Questions

1.	How is God's relationship with Israel different than with Gentiles? What does this tell us about God's purposes?
2.	How does knowledge of the Jewish roots of our faith in the Old Testament help strengthen our faith now?
3.	For what were the Jewish people chosen?
4.	Did Israel fulfill all they were supposed to do? Who did instead?

5. How would you rate your knowledge of your belief in Jesus and its rootedness within the Old Testament? Strong? Weak? Write about the things you know...