

The Unique Son of David

ISAIAH 9:1-7

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Book of Kings

➤ *Longing for a Better King*

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¹² When your days are complete and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your descendant after you, who will come forth from you, and I will establish his kingdom. ¹³ He shall build a house for My name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. ¹⁴ I will be a father to him and he will be a son to Me; when he commits iniquity, I will correct him with the rod of men and the strokes of the sons of men, ¹⁵ but My lovingkindness shall not depart from him, as I took *it* away from Saul, whom I removed from before you. ¹⁶ Your house and your kingdom shall endure before Me forever; your throne shall be established forever.

(2 Samuel 7:12-16)

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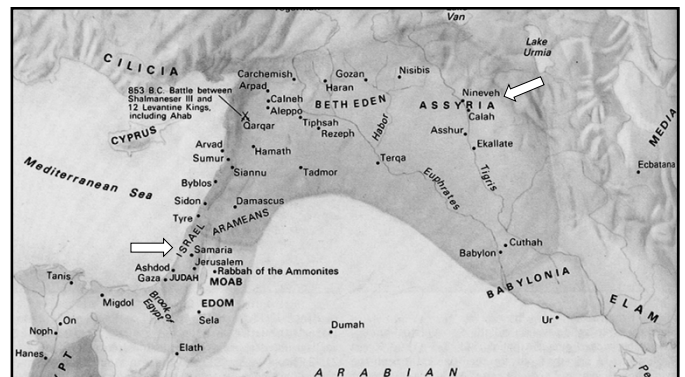
Q: Who is this descendant of David?

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Book of Isaiah

- ~ 735 B.C. – reign of King Ahaz of Judah
- announces the coming judgment of God by the nation of Assyria

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²¹ They will pass through the land hard-pressed and famished, and it will turn out that when they are hungry, they will be enraged and curse their king and their God as they face upward. ²² Then they will look to the earth, and behold, distress and darkness, the gloom of anguish; and *they will be* driven away into darkness.

(Isaiah 8:21-22)

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Isaiah 9:1-7

¹ 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.

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² The people who walk in darkness
Will see a great light;
Those who live in a dark land,
The light will shine on them.
³ You shall multiply the nation,
You shall increase their gladness;
They will be glad in Your presence
As with the gladness of harvest,
As men rejoice when they divide the spoil.

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¹² Now when Jesus heard that John had been taken into custody, He withdrew into Galilee; ¹³ and leaving Nazareth, He came and settled in Capernaum, which is by the sea, in the region of Zebulun and Naphtali. ¹⁴ *This was* to fulfill what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet:

¹⁵ "THE LAND OF ZEBULUN AND THE LAND OF NAPHTALI,
BY THE WAY OF THE SEA, BEYOND THE JORDAN, GALILEE OF
THE GENTILES—

¹⁶ "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."

(Matthew 4:12-16)

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- ⁴ For You shall break the yoke of their burden and the staff on their shoulders,
The rod of their oppressor, as at the battle of Midian.
- ⁵ For every boot of the booted warrior in the *battle* tumult,
And cloak rolled in blood, will be for burning, fuel for the fire.
- ⁶ 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.

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- ⁷ 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.

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Who is this Child?

1. *WONDER-Counselor*

- one who makes wise decisions for his people
- word reserved for God (incomprehensible) and what He alone does

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Who is this Child?

2. *GOD-Mighty Hero*

- *gibbor* – a warrior-hero
- *'el* – designation for the true God alone

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Who is this Child?

3. *Father-ETERNAL*

- “father” – the ideal king who provides for and protects his people
- His protection and provision never end

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Who is this Child?

4. *Prince of PEACE*

- *shalom* – perfect, lasting peace/wholeness that can only be established by God Himself
- He establishes peace with God for us through “the blood of His cross” (Col. 1:20-22)

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³⁰The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; for you have found favor with God. ³¹And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name Him Jesus. ³²He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David; ³³and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and His kingdom will have no end." ³⁴Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" ³⁵The angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; and for that reason the holy Child shall be called the Son of God.

(Luke 1:30-35)