



## P.S. *A Glimmer of Hope* 2 KINGS 25:27-30

### Overall Message of Kings

❖ *Something better must come to secure God's kingdom promises!*

1. Humanity's enslavement to idolatry
2. The inadequacy of the Law to deliver
3. The need (longing) for a better King

<sup>12</sup> ...I will raise up your descendant after you, who will come forth from you, and I will establish his kingdom.

<sup>13</sup> He shall build a house for My name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever...

<sup>16</sup> Your house and your kingdom shall endure before Me forever; your throne shall be established forever.

(2 Samuel 7:12-16)

<sup>27</sup> Now it came about in the thirty-seventh year of the exile of Jehoiachin king of Judah, in the twelfth month, on the twenty-seventh *day* of the month, that Evil-merodach king of Babylon, in the year that he became king, released Jehoiachin king of Judah from prison; <sup>28</sup> and he spoke kindly to him and set his throne above the throne of the kings who were with him in Babylon. <sup>29</sup> Jehoiachin changed his prison clothes and had his meals in the king's presence regularly all the days of his life; <sup>30</sup> and for his allowance, a regular allowance was given him by the king, a portion for each day, all the days of his life.

(2 Kings 25:27-30)



(Museum of the Ancient Near East; Berlin, Germany)

## A Glimmer of Hope

- a subtle hint that God's promise to David remains in force, even after judgment
- future salvation will come *through* exile-judgment; it will include the nations

## Isaiah 9:2-7

<sup>2</sup> The people who walk in darkness  
Will see a great light;  
Those who live in a dark land,  
The light will shine on them.  
<sup>3</sup> 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.

## Isaiah 9:2-7

<sup>4</sup> 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.  
<sup>5</sup> For every boot of the booted warrior in the *battle* tumult,  
And cloak rolled in blood, will be for burning, fuel for the  
fire.  
<sup>6</sup> 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.

## Isaiah 9:2-7

<sup>7</sup> 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 1:1-16

The record of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham...

<sup>11</sup> Josiah became the father of Jeconiah and his brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon.

<sup>12</sup> After the deportation to Babylon: Jeconiah became the father of Shealtiel, and Shealtiel the father of Zerubbabel...

<sup>16</sup> Jacob was the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, by whom Jesus was born, who is called the Messiah.

## Matthew 1:18-23

<sup>18</sup> Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: when His mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child by the Holy Spirit...

the Child who has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. <sup>21</sup> She will bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins." <sup>22</sup> Now all this took place to fulfill what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet: <sup>23</sup> "BEHOLD, THE VIRGIN SHALL BE WITH CHILD AND SHALL BEAR A SON, AND THEY SHALL CALL HIS NAME IMMANUEL," which translated means, "GOD WITH-US."