

1 **THE PROMISED MESSIAH**

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- ▶ *1 There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, And a Branch shall grow out of his roots.*
- ▶ *2 The Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him,*
- ▶ *The Spirit of wisdom and understanding,*
- ▶ *The Spirit of counsel and might,*
- ▶ *The Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD.*

3 **Isaiah 11:1-10**

- ▶ *3 His delight is in the fear of the LORD,*
- ▶ *And He shall not judge by the sight of His eyes,*
- ▶ *Nor decide by the hearing of His ears;*
- ▶ *4 But with righteousness He shall judge the poor,*
- ▶ *And decide with equity for the meek of the earth;*
- ▶ *He shall strike the earth with the rod of His mouth,*
- ▶ *And with the breath of His lips He shall slay the wicked.*
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4 **Isaiah 11:1-10**

- ▶ *5 Righteousness shall be the belt of His loins,*
- ▶ *And faithfulness the belt of His waist.*
- ▶ *6 "The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb,*
- ▶ *The leopard shall lie down with the young goat,*
- ▶ *The calf and the young lion and the fatling together;*
- ▶ *And a little child shall lead them.*

5 **Isaiah 11:1-10**

- ▶ *7 The cow and the bear shall graze;*
- ▶ *Their young ones shall lie down together;*
- ▶ *And the lion shall eat straw like the ox.*
- ▶ *8 The nursing child shall play by the cobra's hole,*
- ▶ *And the weaned child shall put his hand in the viper's den.*

6 **Isaiah 11:1-10**

- ▶ *9 They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain,*
- ▶ *For the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord*
- ▶ *As the waters cover the sea.*
- ▶ *10 "And in that day there shall be a Root of Jesse,*
- ▶ *Who shall stand as a banner to the people;*
- ▶ *For the Gentiles shall seek Him,*
- ▶ *And His resting place shall be glorious."*

7 **INTRODUCTION:**

- ▶ Subject: THE PROMISED MESSIAH
- ▶ In the history of the world many messiahs

- ▶ One example: Adolph Hitler
- ▶ Quote from net-abbey.org titled *Hitler as God*
- ▶ Hitler was just one of many self-proclaimed messiahs down through the history of the world
- ▶ The good news for us. . .

8 **THE PROMISED MESSIAH UNDERSTANDS WHAT YOU'RE GOING THROUGH**

- ▶ Isaiah 7:14: Immanuel – God with us!
- ▶ Come of lowly birth
- ▶ Isaiah does not mention David's name here. Instead, he refers to humble Jesse.
- ▶ He will not start out as royalty; He will inherit His kingdom.
- ▶ He won't just be the offspring of David, but a greater than David has arrived and we celebrate His birth every year on December 25th

9 **His birth would magnify God's grace in wonderful ways.**

- ▶ Jesus was God, the Creator of all things.
- ▶ He left His throne in heaven to be born as a helpless baby in Bethlehem so that He could grow up to be a perfect man and die for our sins on the cross.
- ▶ 2 Corinthians 8:9 is a precious scripture: *"For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that you through His poverty might become rich."*

10 **THE PROMISED MESSIAH WILL POSSESS GOD'S SPIRIT IN UNLIMITED MEASURE.**

- ▶ His qualifications to lead:
 - ▶ A Spirit of wisdom and understanding
 - ▶ A Spirit of counsel and strength
 - ▶ A Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD.
- ▶ The world has never known a leader like this:
- ▶ He will exercise His judicial and administrative duties with infinite wisdom and understanding

11 **A GREAT LEADER**

- ▶ Unlike every world leader in human history, this Messiah will not require a cabinet of advisors or any of the other political machinery that national leaders need to accomplish their plans and policies.
- ▶ The reason is that upon Him rests the Spirit of counsel and strength. He knows what needs to be done and has the power to accomplish His plans.

12 **The Four Gospels**

- ▶ Read the four gospels. You see Him in His life demonstrate the power of God, the love of God, the mercy of God as He encountered the hurting, the sick, and the dying. But despite all of His goodness, He was crucified on a cross outside the city of Jerusalem. He was buried in a borrowed tomb, but on the third day He rose from the dead by the power of God.

13 **THE PROMISED MESSIAH**

- ▶ This is the PROMISED MESSIAH that Isaiah told us about. And all of His life, His miracles, His teaching, His resurrection can only be explained by what we call the Incarnation, when God was born a man in the person of Jesus Christ.

14 **FACE-TO-FACE WITH THE KING**

- ▶ Isaiah 11:3-5: *3 His delight is in the fear of the LORD, And He shall not judge by the sight of His*

eyes, Nor decide by the hearing of His ears; 4 But with righteousness He shall judge the poor, And decide with equity for the meek of the earth; He shall strike the earth with the rod of His mouth, And with the breath of His lips He shall slay the wicked. 5 Righteousness shall be the belt of His loins, And faithfulness the belt of His waist.

15 **Righteousness, Equity, and Faithfulness**

- ▶ Each of these words is about conforming to a standard, about aligning to a principle.
- ▶ It's plain from this passage that the benchmark by which God's final King will rule is not derived from the people over whom He will reign. He is not elected to this office by an election; there will be no vote.

16 **His Rule**

- ▶ He will exercise His rule over every level of society. These verses plainly tell us that He will not just deal with the masses, but He will deal with each of us on an individual basis.
- ▶ He will deal with you with precise justice, evaluating your life in accordance with the holiness of God.
- ▶ When He pronounces His judgment, it is final. No appeal to a higher court for there is none.

17 **Righteous by faith in Christ**

- ▶ John 3:18: *He who believes in Him is not condemned, but he who does not believe is condemned already because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.*
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- ▶ John 3:36: *He who believes in the Son has everlasting life, and he who does not believe the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him*

18 **RESTORE THE EARTH BACK TO EDEN**

- ▶ Predator and prey: Verse 6 says, *"The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, The leopard shall lie down with the young goat, The calf and the young lion and the fatling together; And a little child shall lead them.*
- ▶ Carnivores will see their very nature altered. Verse 7 says that *the cow and the bear will graze, their young ones will lie down together, and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.*

19 **The Future World**

- ▶ The future world under God's Promised Messiah, God's Perfect Son, is a picture of the peace that returns everything to its divinely intended purpose. The curse that sunk the world into hopeless darkness, fear, and death is vanquished.
- ▶ It will be the day that Romans 8 speaks about where the whole creation has been groaning together in labor pains for that glorious day of restoration and recreation.

20 **Complete the Picture**

- ▶ Verses 9-10: *They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain, For the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord As the waters cover the sea. 10 "And in that day there shall be a Root of Jesse, Who shall stand as a banner to the people; For the Gentiles shall seek Him, And His resting place shall be glorious."*
- ▶ None will hurt or destroy another in the kingdom of God's Promised Messiah.

21 **Why?**

- ▶ *For the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord As the waters cover the sea.* Everybody on earth will know God.
- ▶ On that day the root of Jesse (that's Jesus, of course) will stand as a banner, a rallying point, for

the peoples of the world.

▶ *For the Gentiles shall seek Him, And His resting place shall be glorious."*

22 **CONCLUSION**

- ▶ Do you know this Promised Messiah who was born of a virgin in Bethlehem?
- ▶ Do you realize why this Christmas you need to believe in Him, receive Him into your heart as your Savior?
- ▶ God drew a line in the sand. You cannot be neutral about that baby.
- ▶ Why? Because the prophet said His name is Immanuel, which means God with us.