

#3 When Prophets Speak of Christmas

Isaiah 9:6-7 (12-21-08)

The prophet Isaiah often writes of both advents of Christ in one context. This was because from his perspective he was looking as it were at two mountain peaks but could not see the valley in between. The valley represents the time we are living in, the Church Age. Isaiah sees a panoramic vision passing before him. In poetic language he describes scenes of war, conflict, gloom, and darkness. As the scenes pass before him his focus is upon the northern part of Israel, Out of the darkness he perceives a “great light” (9:2).

Isaiah Foresees the Coming of the _____

1. He Will Be Born Into the World (6)

Jesus Came Into the World through Physical Birth

“For unto us a Child is born”

- **The Messiah will be** _____

Luke 2:6-7, “And she brought forth her firstborn Son”

He Was Born So He Might _____

Hebrews 2:14-15, “that through death He might destroy him...”

2. He Will Be Given Into the World

God Gave His Son for Us

- **Jesus is** _____

John 3:16-19, “For God so loved the world that He gave...”

God’s _____ **Sent His Beloved Son into the World**

1 John 4:9, “In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him.”

3. He Will Rule Over the World

He Will Fulfill David’s Covenant

- **Jesus will reign over Israel and rule the nations from** _____

(7) “Upon the throne of David and over His kingdom... forever” Zechariah 14:9 & 16, Micah 4:1-2, Revelation 11:15

The Physical Reign of Jesus Christ over All the Earth _____

4. He Will Be Known to the World

Jesus Will Be Known By Four Descriptive Titles

- **Wonderful Counselor**

The word “wonderful” is used in the Old Testament of something that excited amazement. This is certainly true of Jesus. Everything about Him is truly wonderful. He like no one else causes wonder.

The word “counselor” expresses great wisdom, Isaiah 11:2.

The Wonderful Wisdom of Jesus Is Revealed In the _____

Luke 9:43, “...everyone marveled at all the things which Jesus did”

- **Mighty God**

Jesus is not just a god-like hero as some try to make this passage read. He is God of very God.

John 10:30, "I and My Father are one." (John 14:9, Romans 1:1-3)

Jesus Is God in _____

- **Everlasting Father**

There is one God expressed in three persons. The emphasis in this title is on His eternity. "Everlasting Father" refers to His relationship with time, He is eternal.

John 8:56-58, "Your father Abraham rejoiced to see My day, and he saw it and was glad." Then the Jews said to Him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have You seen Abraham?" Jesus said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I AM."

Jesus revealed Himself as the eternally pre-existing Jehovah.

The Baby in the Manger Is the _____

- **Prince of Peace**

Luke 2:13-14, "And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men!"

There will be no lasting peace in this world until Jesus returns.

Now personal peace is provided through personal salvation.

John 14:27, "Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."

Jesus Christ Has Been _____ By Believers Using Every One of These Titles