

# Jesus the Messiah

## What does Messiah Mean?

*The "Anointed One" [Christ] who would come and redeem Israel, conceptually he is the focus of the fulfillment of the Old Testament. He is revealed in the Old Testament texts through the use of many titles and names...*

*This term is only used twice in the NT. It shows up in the non-biblical yet historical Apocrypha 3 times as well. It is related to the Old Testament term Anointed.*

He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which means Christ) **John 1:41**

The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things." **John 4:25**

## The Servant

*Israel: Failed Servant*

Who is blind but my servant, or deaf as my messenger whom I send? **Isaiah 42:19**

*The Servant of God*

Behold, my servant shall act wisely; he shall be high and lifted up, and shall be exalted. **Isaiah 52:13**

*The Servant will Suffer and Die and Somehow Live*  
**Isaiah 53**

*Jesus is that Servant*

"Behold, my servant whom I have chosen, my beloved with whom my soul is well pleased. I will put my Spirit upon him and he will proclaim justice to the Gentiles." **Matthew 12:18**

### The Son of God / Psalm 2:2

The title "Son of God" indicates the deity [the idea that he is God] of the Messiah.

### The Son of Man / Daniel 7:13-14

This term indicates the humanity of Jesus as well as his deity.

### The Son of David / 2 Samuel 7:12

The Messiah would be a descendent of King David, whose throne would be forever; and he is the ultimate fulfillment of this as he will be the ruler of heaven and earth forevermore.

### The Teacher / Isaiah 30:20-21

The one who will be both a verbal and living example of truth for us all to learn by.

### The Servant of the Lord / Isaiah 52:13

While Israel was supposed to be God's servant, Jesus was the one who fulfilled that role and did the very will of God. The Servant would be one who suffered for the sins of others.

### The Prophet Like Moses / Deut 18:15-19

The people of Israel were afraid of the terror of the presence of the Lord, and God said he would provide for them a mediator that was like Moses, from the nation of Israel, who would have the very words of God in his mouth.

### Immanuel / Isaiah 7:14

This word means "God with us," which shows both his humanity and deity.

### The Rock, The Cornerstone / Isaiah 28:16

The cornerstone of God's plan. A stable factor in an shaky world.

## Isaiah 9:6

### Wonderful Counselor / Isaiah 9:6

The OT word for *wonder* is used exclusively for the acts of God, he is truly the most wonderful ruler and leader who needs no other counsel.

### Mighty God / Isaiah 9:6

A mighty "hero" who was "great" who is God himself.

### Father of Eternity / Isaiah 9:6

The Messiah would be a person of divine eternity, one who would last forever.

### Prince of Peace / Isaiah 9:6

This term does not necessarily indicate "sonship" as much as it means "ruler or leader." He will be a ruler of peace.

### The Branch of the Lord / Isaiah 4:2

The Messiah would be a sprout or branch from the tree of David, and also the "son" of God himself.

### The Lord Our Righteousness / Jer 23:6

The Messiah would be the Lord (YAWEH) and our righteousness. Jesus is truly our righteousness as expressed clearly in the book of Romans.

### The One Shepherd / Psalm 80:1

The one who will be and is the Shepherd of Israel, who guides and protects. Also, speaks of the fact that the Messiah will die (Zechariah 13:7)

### The Light to the Nations / Isaiah 49:6

Israel was supposed to be a light unto the nations, the Messiah would fulfill this desire of God to the uttermost and be a light to the whole world.

## The Lord of Righteousness

In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our Righteousness." **Jeremiah 23:6**

*Only messianic titles use the whole form of the name of God / Yahweh*

For our sake he made him [Jesus] to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. **1 Corinthians 5:21**

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it -- the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. **Romans 3:21-22**

## The One Shepherd

Give ear, O shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock. **Psalm 80:1**

Strike the shepherd and the sheep will be scattered. **Zechariah 13:7**

I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep. **John 10:11**

Then Jesus said to them, "You will all fall away because of me this night. For it is written, "I will strike the shepherd and the sheep of the flock will be scattered." **Matthew 26:31**



# The Anointed One

*This word is used in two major ways.*

## “Anointed” Used in a General Way

*Sometimes the word is used in a very general manner, referring to things that were “anointed.”*

The **Hebrew word** *mashiach* means “anointed one” and is used to describe both priests (Leviticus 4:3,4,16) and Kings (1 Samuel 24:6), both of whom were appointed to do God’s service in the Old Testament. This speaks of a special setting apart for duty or service.

**David**, before he was king, spoke often of the fact that Saul was anointed and he didn’t want to stretch out his hand and harm God’s anointed servant.  
*1 Samuel 26:9, 11*

In a bit more specific manner “anointed one” seems to be used to regularly describe **King David**.  
*2 Samuel 22:51, 23:1*

The **psalmist** recognizes that God protects his anointed ones.  
*Psalms 18:50, Psalm 20:6, Psalm 105:15*

## “Anointed” Used in a Specific Way

*Sometimes it speaks of the coming Messiah specifically!*

In the historical books, in the song of Hannah there is a moment where the future is peaked into, and this anointed one will be exalted.  
*1 Samuel 2:10*

The **Psalms** speak of an Anointed One, expanding upon the meaning beyond the King of Israel to one who was much more than that. In *Psalm 2* we see the nations raise up against God’s anointed. Strongly elsewhere in the Psalms we see the protection God provides his anointed and the protection his anointed provides his people. *Psalm 20:6, 28:8, 84:9*

In the book of **Daniel** the prophet describes an “anointed one” who will be a prince who will be “cut off.”  
*Daniel 9:25-26*

*The Book of Daniel is Steeped in Eschatology, The study of End Times!*

### Daniel 9:20–27 (ESV)

20 While I was speaking and praying, confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my plea before the LORD my God for the holy hill of my God, 21 while I was speaking in prayer, the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the first, came to me in swift flight at the time of the evening sacrifice. 22 He made me understand, speaking with me and saying, “O Daniel, I have now come out to give you insight and understanding. 23 At the beginning of your pleas for mercy a word went out, and I have come to tell it to you, for you are greatly loved. Therefore consider the word and understand the vision.

24 “Seventy weeks are decreed about your people and your holy city, to finish the transgression, to put an end to sin, and to atone for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal both vision and prophet, and to anoint a most holy place. 25 Know therefore and understand that from the going out of the word to restore and build Jerusalem to the coming of an **anointed one**, a prince, there shall be seven weeks. Then for sixty-two weeks it shall be built again with squares and moat, but in a troubled time. 26 And after the sixty-two weeks, an **anointed one** shall be cut off and shall have nothing. And the people of the prince who is to come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. Its end shall come with a flood, and to the end there shall be war. Desolations are decreed. 27 And he shall make a strong covenant with many for one week, and for half of the week he shall put an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall come one who makes desolate, until the decreed end is poured out on the desolator.”

*I  
Daniel Gets  
Insight from  
God  
Regarding  
future events*

*II  
The Future  
Revolves  
Around an  
Anointed  
One*

### 1 Samuel 2:10 (ESV)

10 The adversaries of the LORD shall be broken to pieces; against them he will thunder in heaven. The LORD will judge the ends of the earth; he will give strength to his king and exalt the horn of his **anointed**.”

### Psalm 84:9

Behold our shield, O God; look on the face of your anointed!

## The Christ

The word “Christ” in English is the equivalent to the term “anointed one.” It is used in the form “Christos” in the NT 535 times in 504 verses. It is combined with the term “Lord” over 100 times.

*Luke 2:11 / For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.*

*Philippians 2:10-11 / ...so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

## A Summary of this Concept from the article “The Messiah and His Titles”

With regard to the technical use of the term “Messiah” or “Anointed One” to refer to an eschatological Deliverer, it is commonly understood to be somewhat rare in the OT. Most will acknowledge that Dan 9:25–26 (“until Messiah the Prince;” “The Messiah will be cut off”) and Ps 2:2 (“the LORD and His Anointed One”) use the term “Mashiach” to refer to this end-of-days Redeemer. W. C. Kaiser, Jr. indicates six additional OT uses of the technical sense of Messiah (1Sm 2:10, 35; Ps 20:6; 28:8; 84:9; Hab 3:13). Some additional technical usages are 2Sm 22:51; 23:1; and Ps 89:51. Thus, in the narrow sense, the word “Messiah” is referring to an individual, uniquely consecrated to the service of God.

# The Son of God

This means exactly what it sounds like. The Messiah would be Son of the most high God.

## Psalm 2 (ESV)

1 Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain?

2 The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD and against his **Anointed**, saying,

3 "Let us burst their bonds apart and cast away their cords from us."

4 He who sits in the heavens laughs; the Lord holds them in derision.

5 Then he will speak to them in his wrath, and terrify them in his fury, saying,

6 "As for me, I have set my King on Zion, my holy hill."

7 I will tell of the decree: The LORD said to me, "You are my **Son**; today I have begotten you.

8 Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession.

9 You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."

10 Now therefore, O kings, be wise; be warned, O rulers of the earth.

11 Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

12 Kiss the **Son**, lest he be angry, and you perish in the way, for his wrath is quickly kindled. Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

*Anointed:  
Remember?*

*I  
The nations  
go to war  
against God's  
Anointed.*

*II  
God mocks them  
because he has  
an anointed  
King*

*NOTE: Begotten  
has the idea of  
installed or  
coronated, not  
born or created*

*III  
The  
Psalmist's  
Advice and  
Charge for  
Israel*

### Fulfillment of the Prophecy that Jesus would be the Son of God

In the **Book of Acts** Luke the Apostle recognizes that Jesus fulfills this prophecy.

In the book of **Hebrews** the writer trying to show Jesus was the fulfillment of the Old Testament twice quotes this passage as referring to Jesus.

Twenty Seven times in the **Gospels** Jesus is referred to as "the Son of God," mostly uttered by other people, Jesus preferred using the "Son of Man" title in self designation.

Sixteen times in the **Epistles** Jesus is referred to as the Son of God.

It is the **final word** of the apostle John in his gospel as he encourages his readers toward belief.

#### Acts 13:32-33

And we bring to you the good news that what God has promised to the fathers, this he has fulfilled to us their children by raising Jesus, as also it is written in the second psalm, "You are my **Son**, today I have begotten you.

#### Hebrews 1:5

For to which of the angels did God ever say, "You are my **Son**, today I have begotten you?"

#### Hebrews 5:5

So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him, "You are my **Son**, today I have begotten you."

#### John 11:4

But when Jesus heard it he said, "This illness does not lead to death. It is for the glory of God, so that the **Son of God** may be glorified through it."

*This is one of the rare times Jesus used this title of himself / Others used it; the devil, demons, the disciples, John the Baptist, Martha, the centurion at the foot of the cross.*

*Jesus uses it here in context of the raising of Lazarus from the dead.*

*Romans 1:4  
2 Cor 1:19  
Gal 2:20  
Eph 4:13  
Heb 4:14, 6:6,  
7:3 10:29  
1 John 3:8,  
4:15, 5:5,  
5:10, 12-13,  
20  
Rev 2:18*

#### John 20:30-31

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book, but these are written so that you may **believe** that Jesus is the Christ, the **Son of God**, and that by **believing** you may have life in his name.

# The Son of Man

This means exactly what it sounds like. The son of humanity, as opposed to deity, animals or angels.

Note: Plural  
Thrones

9 "As I looked,

thrones were placed,  
and the **Ancient of Days** took his seat;  
his clothing was white as snow,  
and the hair of his head like pure wool;  
his throne was fiery flames;  
its wheels were burning fire.

10 A stream of fire issued  
and came out from before him;  
a thousand thousands served him,  
and ten thousand times ten thousand  
stood before him;  
the court sat in judgment,  
and the books were opened.

11 "I looked then because of the sound of the  
great words that the horn was speaking. And as I  
looked, the beast was killed, and its body  
destroyed and given over to be burned with fire. 12  
As for the rest of the beasts, their dominion was  
taken away, but their lives were prolonged for a  
season and a time.

13 "I saw in the night visions,

and behold, with the clouds of heaven  
there came one like a **son of man**,  
and he came to the **Ancient of Days**  
and was presented before him.

14 And to him was given *dominion*  
and *glory* and a *kingdom*,  
**that all peoples, nations, and languages**  
should *serve* him;  
his dominion is an *everlasting dominion*,  
which shall not pass away,  
and his kingdom one  
that shall not be destroyed.

See  
Revelation  
5:9

See  
Revelation  
11:15

**Daniel 7:9–14 (ESV)**

I  
*The Father as  
the Ancient of  
Days in  
Judgement*

II  
*End of the  
World  
Imagery /  
See  
Revelation*

III  
*The son of man  
presented before  
God and given  
rulership and  
dominion*

Note: "Like" the  
son of man / not  
exactly, but  
something more  
too!

## Fulfillment of the Prophecy that Jesus would be the Son of Man

In the preludes of the gospels  
it is discussed that Jesus was  
born of woman, therefore  
fully human.

Jesus uses "Son of Man" to  
refer to himself many times.  
78x

It is used once in the book of  
**Hebrews** to describe Jesus.

Twice it is used in the book of  
**Revelation**.

NOTE: Since the Daniel  
passage speaks of the Son of  
Man as being divine, this term  
points toward both Jesus'  
**humanity and divinity**.

### Matthew 1:18

Now the birth of Jesus took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit..

### Matthew 26:64

Jesus said to him, "You have said so. But I tell you, from now on you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of heaven."

### Hebrews 2:5

"What is man, that you are mindful of him, or the son of man, that you care for him? You made him for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned him with glory and honor, putting everything in subjection under his feet." Quoting Psalm 8

### Revelation 1:13

*In the Presence of the Churches*  
...and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. The hairs of his head were white, like white wool, like snow. His eyes were like flame of fire...

### Revelation 14:14

*In the End Judgement*  
Then I looked, and behold, a white cloud, and seated on the cloud one like a son of man, with a golden crown on his head, and a sharp sickle in his hand.

### Philippians 2:9–10 (ESV)

9 Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

See also Isaiah 45:23ff



THE DAVIDIC COVENANT  
God's Promises to David

# The Son of David

This Title is related to the Davidic  
Covenant and Kingship;  
Jesus is the Rightful King and the  
Fulfillment of These Promises



8 Now, therefore, thus you shall say to my servant David, 'Thus says the LORD of hosts, I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep, that you should be prince over my people Israel. 9 And I have been with you wherever you went and have cut off all your enemies from before you. And I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. 10 And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may dwell in their own place and be disturbed no more. And violent men shall afflict them no more, as formerly, 11 from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel. And I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover, the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house. 12 When

your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, **I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come from your body, 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 to him a father, and he shall be to me a son. When he commits iniquity, I will discipline him with the rod of men, with the stripes of the sons of men, 15 but my steadfast love will not depart from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away from before you. 16 And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me. Your throne shall be established forever.' "

**2 Samuel 7:8-16 (ESV)**

**God's Promises to David Summarized**

1. I will make your name great
2. I will appoint a place of safety and rest
3. I will bring stability of your kingly house or dynasty
4. One of your offspring will have everlasting kingdom
5. He will have a special relationship with God

See Also:  
2 Samuel 23:5  
Psalm 89:3  
Psalm 132:12

THE FULFILMENT IN CHRIST JESUS  
The Root, The Son, The Offspring of King David

**In The Gospel of Matthew**

**Matthew 1:1**  
The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, **the son of David**, the son of Abraham.  
*(what follows is the genealogy that backs this up with names)*

**Matthew 1:20**  
"Joseph [Jesus' earthly dad], **son of David**, do not fear to take Mary as your wife..." *(announced by an angel)*

14x other times in the gospels this title is attributed to Jesus

**In the Gospel of John**

**John 7:40-42**  
When they heard these words, some of the people said, "This really is the Prophet." Others said, "This is the Christ [anointed one]." But some said, "Is the Christ to come from Galilee? Has not the Scripture said that the Christ comes from **the offspring of David**, and comes from Bethlehem, the village where David was?"

**In The Book of Revelation**

**Revelation 3:7**  
"The words of the holy one, the true one, who has **the keys of David**, who opens and no one will shut, who shuts and no one opens.

**Revelation 5:5**  
"Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, **the Root of David**, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and it's seven seals."

**Revelation 22:16**  
"I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and **the descendant of David**, the bright morning star."

**In the Pauline Epistles**

**Romans 1:1-4**  
Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy Scriptures, concerning his Son, who was **descended from David** according to the flesh and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord,

**2 Timothy 2:8**  
Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, **the offspring of David**, as preached in my gospel,

# The Teacher

The Messiah would be the Great teacher of Israel.



**Types of Parables**  
Instructive, 32x  
Warning, 8x  
Rebuke, 4x

**Short Example**  
"Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house, who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."  
Mt 13:52.

**מורה**  
master teacher

**The Hebrew Word...**

**mô-rê(h)** / This word means one who communicates to a student **information** and **life-style**. This word is used in four times in the Old Testament;  
Twice it occurs in **Isaiah 30:20** once in Job 36:22, and Proverbs 5:13

**God the Father was known as a teacher**

**Job 36:22-23**  
Behold, God is exalted in his power; **who is a teacher like him?** Who has prescribed for him his way, overwhelmed who can say, "You

**The Promised Teacher**

18 Therefore the LORD waits to be gracious to you, and therefore he exalts himself to show mercy to you. For the LORD is a God of justice; blessed are all those who wait for him.

19 For a people shall dwell in Zion, in Jerusalem; you shall weep no more. He will surely be gracious to you at the sound of your cry. As soon as he hears it, he answers you.

20 And though the Lord give you the bread of adversity and the water of affliction, yet your **Teacher** will not hide himself anymore, but your eyes shall see your **Teacher**. 21 And your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying, "This is the way, walk in it," when you turn to the right or when you turn to the left.

22 Then you will defile your carved idols overlaid with silver and your gold-plated metal images. You will scatter them as unclean things. You will say to them, "Be gone!"  
**Isaiah 30:18-22 (ESV)**

**In the Gospels**

Jesus was called by the title **Rabbi** (15x) and by the title **Teacher** (50x) times in the gospels.

The phrase "and he opened up his mouth and taught them, saying..." occurs 18 times in the New Testament.

No other person in *scripture* or *history* matches his reputation as a master teacher. He even taught Israel's greatest earthly teacher at one point. **John 3:10-11**

**The Teaching Styles of Jesus**

**Jesus told stories**, what are called parables where spiritual truths are compared to everyday occurrences. Example / *He told them another parable, "The Kingdom of heaven is like leaven that a woman took and hid..."* **Matthew 13:33**

**Jesus shocked his audience** by sometimes using hyperbole to make a point. Example / *He told them another parable, "if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off..."* **Matthew 5:30**

**Jesus used memorable sayings** (and repetition) to help students both remember and pay attention. Example / *"Blessed are the poor in spirit..."* **Matthew 5:3**

**Jesus asked questions** to mine out people's thoughts and teach truth. Example / *"Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath?"* **Matthew 12:10**

**He used visual learning** to make a point. Example / *"Jesus...rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel...began to wash his disciple's feet"* **John 13:1-11**

**Friendship!**

**The Parables of Jesus**

The New Testament Records 55 passages that are parables of Jesus.

Some memorable ones are...

- The wise man building his house on a rock.
- The sower and the soils
- The king who settled his accounts
- The vineyard workers
- The Good Samaritan
- The Prodigal Son

**People's Response**

**Large Crowds followed him;** Matthew 19:2, Mark 4:1, John 6:2, 5, 12:9, 12:12

**After The Sermon on the Mount, Recorded in Matthew Chapters 5-7**

28 And when Jesus finished these sayings, the crowds were **astonished** at his teaching, 29 for he was teaching them as one who had **authority**, and not as their scribes.  
**Matthew 7:28-29**

**Jesus did have Authority**  
My teaching is not mine, but his who sent me. **John 7:16**  
  
See also: John 14:24, John 5:19, 5:30, Deuteronomy 18:15, 18-19

**Astonished:**  
Greek word here means to be overwhelmed, amazed

Perhaps his greatest teaching style or method was simply befriending, caring and respecting others.

**Light to the Nations  
a Theme in Isaiah...**

**Isaiah 9:1-2**

The People who walked in darkness  
have seen a great light...

**Isaiah 42:66**

"I am the LORD; I have called you in  
righteousness; I will take you by the hand  
and keep you; I will give you as a  
covenant for the people,  
**a light for the nations,**

**Isaiah 51:4**

"Give attention to me, my people, and  
give ear to me, my nation; for a law will  
go out from me, and I will set my justice  
for **a light to the peoples.**

**...and Elsewhere in the  
Old Testament**

**Psalms 48:10**

As your name, O God, so your praise  
reaches to **the ends of the earth.** Your  
right hand is filled with righteousness.

**Psalms 98:3**

He has remembered his steadfast love and  
faithfulness to the house of Israel. **All the  
ends of the earth** have seen the salvation  
of our God.

**Zechariah 8:22**

**Many peoples and strong nations  
shall come to seek the  
LORD** of hosts in Jerusalem and to  
entreat the favor of the LORD.

# The Light to the Nations

*The Messiah would be The Means of  
Enlightenment and Truth to All Peoples*



**Ministry to the World a  
Theme in the New  
Testament**

**Great Commission / Matthew 28:19**  
"go therefore and make disciples of all  
nations..."

*See also: John 1:9; 11:52*

**Throughout the book of  
Acts...**

**Acts 10:44-45**

While Peter was still saying these  
things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who  
heard the word. And the believers  
from among the circumcised who had  
come with Peter were amazed, because  
the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured  
out even on the Gentiles.

*See also: Acts 13:47, Chapter 15  
[Jerusalem Council], Acts 26:17-18,  
23*

**...and In Revelation**

**Revelation 5:9**

And they sang a new song, saying,  
"Worthy are you to take the scroll and  
to open its seals, for you were slain,  
and by your blood you ransomed  
people for God from every tribe and  
language and people and nation,

**Revelation 14:6**

Then I saw another angel flying  
directly overhead, with an eternal  
gospel to proclaim to those who dwell  
on earth, to every nation and tribe and  
language and people.

**FULFILLMENT IN JESUS CHRIST  
The Light of the World**

**John 9:1-12 (ESV)**

1 As he passed by, he saw a man blind from birth.  
2 And his disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who  
sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born  
blind?" 3 Jesus answered, "It was not that this man  
sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God  
might be displayed in him. 4 We must work the  
works of him who sent me while it is day; night is  
coming, when no one can work. 5 As long as I am  
in the world, **I am the light of the world.**" 6  
Having said these things, he spit on the ground and  
made mud with the saliva. Then he anointed the  
man's eyes with the mud 7 and said to him, "Go,  
wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent).  
So he went and washed and came back seeing.

8 The neighbors and those who had seen him  
before as a beggar were saying, "Is this not the  
man who used to sit and beg?" 9 Some said, "It is  
he." Others said, "No, but he is like him." He kept  
saying, "I am the man." 10 So they said to him,  
"Then how were your eyes opened?" 11 He  
answered, "The man called Jesus made mud and  
anointed my eyes and said to me, 'Go to Siloam  
and wash.' So I went and washed and received my  
sight." 12 They said to him, "Where is he?" He  
said, "I do not know."

**Christians  
Have a  
Role in  
Sharing  
The Light!**

**v5 | "As Long As I Am in The World, I am  
the Light of the World" /  
His Followers are to Be The Light  
In His Absence**

**Matthew 5:14**

"You are the light of the world... let your  
light shine before others, so that they may  
see your good works and give glory to your  
Father who is in heaven

**Philippians 2:15**

...that you may be blameless and innocent,  
children of God without blemish in the midst  
of a crooked and twisted generation, among  
whom you shine as lights in the world,

**Isaiah 49:1-6**

1 Listen to me, O coastlands,  
and give attention, you peoples from afar.  
The LORD called me from the womb,  
from the body of my mother  
he named my name.  
2 He made my mouth like a sharp sword;  
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;  
he made me a polished arrow;  
in his quiver he hid me away.  
3 And he said to me,  
"You are my servant, Israel,  
in whom I will be glorified."  
4 But I said, "I have labored in vain;  
I have spent my strength  
for nothing and vanity;  
yet surely my right is with the LORD,  
and my recompense with my God."

5 And now the LORD says,  
he who formed me from the womb  
to be his servant,  
to bring Jacob back to him;  
and that Israel might be gathered to him—  
for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD,  
and my God has become my strength—

6 he says:  
"It is too light a thing  
that you should be my servant  
to raise up the tribes of Jacob  
and to bring back the preserved of Israel;  
I will make you as a **light for the nations,**  
that my salvation may reach  
to the end of the earth."

*I  
The Servant  
Addresses  
the Nations*

*II  
The  
Servant's  
Commission*

*III  
The Servant  
will Bring  
Both Israel  
and the  
Nations to  
Salvation*

Light as Symbol of Truth. A further cluster  
of images links light with truth and  
understanding as opposed to error and  
ignorance, and to the illumination that  
comes from embracing the truth. For  
example, "The unfolding of thy words gives  
light; it imparts understanding to the simple"  
(Ps 119:130 RSV). An OT pilgrim equates  
truth and light when praying that God will  
"send out thy light and thy truth" to "bring  
me to thy holy hill" (Ps 43:3 RSV). Daniel is  
commended as a person in whom are found  
"light and understanding and excellent  
wisdom" (Dan 5:14 RSV).

Leland Ryken et al., Dictionary of Biblical  
Imagery (Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press,  
2000), 511.

# The LORD Our Righteousness

## This Same Idea is Found in the Book Isaiah

### Isaiah 46:13

I bring near my righteousness; it is not far off, and my salvation will not delay; I will put salvation in Zion, for Israel my glory."

### Isaiah 51:5

My righteousness draws near, my salvation has gone out, and my arms will judge the peoples; the coastlands hope for me, and for my arm they wait. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; but my salvation will be forever, and my righteousness will never be dismayed.

### Isaiah 53:11

Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied; by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.

יהוה  
Yahweh

## A DIVINE TITLE

### "The LORD is our Righteousness"

In other titles such as this Yahweh (the proper name of God) is shorted to Yah. Examples...

**Jeremiah** = Yah Exalts  
**Elijah** = My God is Yah

Here, however, the full and entire word is present in the title. This suggests to the reader that the Messiah, "the LORD is our righteousness" is identified as equal with God himself.

**Note:** When the term "LORD" is all caps, this is the indication that the Hebrew term for YAHWEH is used and not another divine term or shortened version.

## THE PROPHECY:

### Jeremiah 23:1-6 (ESV)

- 1 "Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!" declares the LORD.
- 2 Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: "You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the LORD.
- 3 Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply.
- 4 I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the LORD.
- 5 "Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous **Branch**, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. 6 In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: **'The LORD is our righteousness.'**"

I  
Warning to  
bad  
shepherds

II  
Gathering of  
the Flock

III  
Caring  
Shepherds

IV  
The Messiah:  
Righteous Branch  
King  
Savior  
'The LORD is our  
righteousness'

## FULFILLMENT IN JESUS CHRIST

### The Righteous One Who Gives Righteousness to Others

#### THE LORD...

Jesus is a Righteous One, the very righteousness of God!

Remember: There are no righteous or "good" ones but God himself. (Mark 10:18)

#### Romans 1:16-17

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it **the righteousness of God** is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."

#### Acts 22:14-16

... "The God of our fathers appointed you to know his will, to see the **Righteous One** and to hear a voice from his mouth; for you will be a witness for him to everyone of what you have seen and heard. And now why do you wait? Rise and be baptized and wash away your sins, calling on his name. See also Acts 3:14, 7:52

#### 1 John 2:1

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the **righteous**.

#### Romans 5:19

For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the **many will be made righteous**.

#### 2 Corinthians 5:21

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him **we might become the righteousness of God**.

#### Philippians 1:11

...filled with the **fruit of righteousness** that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

#### Philippians 3:9

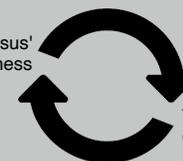
...and be found in him, not having a **righteousness** of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the **righteousness** from God that depends on faith—

#### ...OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS

Jesus does not hoard his Righteousness, but gives it away

This is accessed by and through faith in who he is and what he has done, the gift of God. **Ephesians 2:8-9**

Jesus' Righteousness



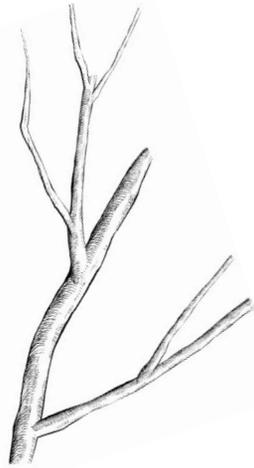
Traded for Our Sin

# The Branch of the Lord

This page is closely related to the page "Son of David"

Closely Related is the idea of the Root of Jesse, David's Father.

See Isaiah 11:1, 10, Romans 15:12



In this little passage David is recounting and remembering the covenant God had with him, and along the way he uses the word for "branch" here [see english word prosper] used elsewhere in verb form, to branch out.

נִצְמַח

sā-māh / To sprout up, spring up, i.e., have a living thing grow out of a source, and so increase in size or length.

See Zach 6:12 (over there)



Davidic Covenant Referenced by David / "For does not my house stand so with God? For he has made with me an everlasting covenant, ordered in all things and secure. For will he not cause to prosper all my help and my desire? 2 Samuel 23:5

In that day the **branch** of the Lord shall be beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of the land shall be the pride and honor of the survivors of Israel. Isaiah 4:2

"Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will raise up for David a **righteous Branch**, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. Jeremiah 23:5

14 "Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. 15 In those days and at that time I will cause a **righteous Branch** to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. 16 In those days Judah will be saved, and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

17 "For thus says the LORD: David shall never lack a man to sit on the throne of the house of Israel, 18 and the Levitical priests shall never lack a man in my presence to offer burnt offerings, to burn grain offerings, and to make sacrifices forever."

19 The word of the LORD came to Jeremiah: 20 "Thus says the LORD: If you can break my covenant with the day and my covenant with the night, so that day and night will not come at their appointed time, 21 then also my covenant with David my servant may be broken, so that he shall not have a son to reign on his throne, and my covenant with the Levitical priests my ministers. 22 As the host of heaven cannot be numbered and the sands of the sea cannot be measured, so I will multiply the offspring of David my servant, and the Levitical priests who minister to me."

23 The word of the LORD came to Jeremiah: 24 "Have you not observed that these people are saying, 'The LORD has rejected the two clans that he chose'? Thus they have despised my people so that they are no longer a nation in their sight. 25 Thus says the LORD: If I have not established my covenant with day and night and the fixed order of heaven and earth, 26 then I will reject the offspring of Jacob and David my servant and will not choose one of his offspring to rule over the offspring of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. For I will restore their fortunes and will have mercy on them."

## Jeremiah 33:14-26

8 Hear now, O Joshua the high priest, you and your friends who sit before you, for they are men who are a sign: behold, I will bring my servant the **Branch**. 9 For behold, on the stone that I have set before Joshua, on a single stone with seven eyes, I will engrave its inscription, declares the LORD of hosts, and I will remove the iniquity of this land in a single day. 10 In that day, declares the LORD of hosts, every one of you will invite his neighbor to come under his vine and under his fig tree."

## Zechariah 3:8-10

See Also: 1 Chronicles 28:3, 6-8

And the word of the LORD came to me: "Take from the exiles Heldai, Tobijah, and Jedaiah, who have arrived from Babylon, and go the same day to the house of Josiah, the son of Zephaniah. Take from them silver and gold, and make a crown, and set it on the head of Joshua, the son of Jehozadak, the high priest. And say to him, 'Thus says the LORD of hosts, "Behold, the man whose name is the Branch: for he shall branch out from his place, and he shall build the temple of the LORD. It is he who shall build the temple of the LORD and shall bear royal honor, and shall sit and rule on his throne. And there shall be a priest on his throne, and the counsel of peace shall be between them both." ' And the crown shall be in the temple of the LORD as a reminder to Helem, Tobijah, Jedaiah, and Hen the son of Zephaniah.

"And those who are far off shall come and help to build the temple of the LORD. And you shall know that the LORD of hosts has sent me to you. And this shall come to pass, if you will diligently obey the voice of the LORD your God." Zechariah 6:9-15

## The passage above describes a rightful king who unites the priesthood and the monarchy.

There are three offices in the Old Testament all of which have significance in the unfolding Messianic Story...

**Prophets** / men appointed by God to speak God's words on his behalf to other men.

**Priests** / men appointed from the tribe of Levi to represent men before God. Mediators. Spokesmen.

**King** / men appointed by God to rule the nation of Israel and point people to God and perform justice. Note: David was not allowed to build the temple because of his warlike nature and bloodied hands, this King would be greater than David.

*The Failed Servant*  
Isaiah paints Israel as a **failed servant** which has failed the Lord in many ways, as incapable of fulfilling its commission. **Isaiah 42:19, 43:10**

God would not forget his servant Israel (44:21) but would rise up a new Servant who would not fail.

# The Servant of the Lord

The book of Isaiah paints a picture of The Servant of the Lord

## Isaiah

The Servat Songs are Spread over Four Chapters in Isaiah

### 42

1 Behold my **servant**, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my Spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations.  
2 He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street;  
3 a bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice.  
4 He will not grow faint or be discouraged till he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his law.

5 Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people on it and spirit to those who walk in it:  
6 "I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you; I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations,  
7 to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.  
8 I am the LORD; that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to carved idols.  
9 Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them." **Isaiah 42:1-9 (ESV)**

And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, my Chosen One, listen to him!" **Luke 9:35**

### 49

#### A Quick Summary

*The servant prepared from birth, like a polished arrow, to bring Jacob back to God, a **light for the nations**, a covenant for the people, comfort and compassion for his people.*

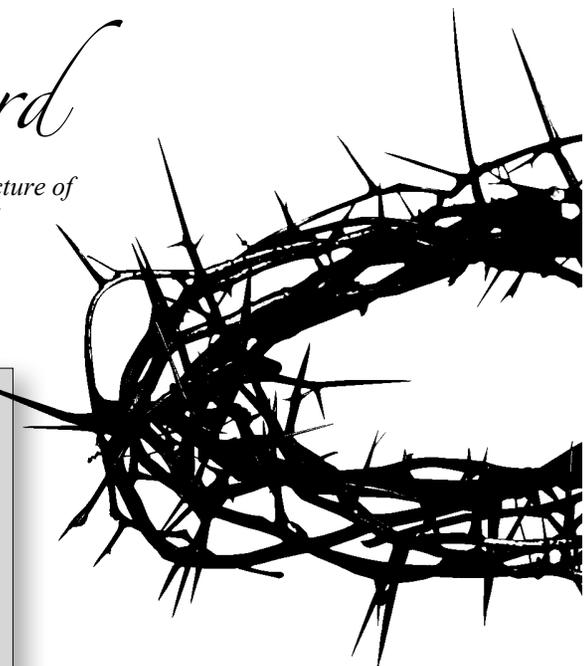
Matthew 12:20

Rev 1:16  
Rev 2:12  
Rev 19:15

Luke 2:32

### 50

4 The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary.  
Morning by morning he awakens; he awakens my ear to hear as those who are taught.  
5 The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I turned not backward.  
6 I gave my back to those who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard; I hid not my face from disgrace and spitting.  
7 But the Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame.  
8 He who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who is my adversary? Let him come near to me.  
9 Behold, the Lord GOD helps me; who will declare me guilty? Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.  
**Isaiah 50:4-9 (ESV)**



Then they spit in his face and struck him. And some slapped him, **Matthew 27:30**

**Flint:** a stone, a very hard rock

Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. **Romans 8:33**

Compare **Isaiah 61:1** (which is connected with **Luke 4:16-21** as Jesus starts his ministry.

### 53

**The Suffering Servant: See Tomorrow's Study**

Note: The tail end of chapter 52 is also a part of this chapter thematically.

*The culmination of the Servant Songs is the Sacrifice the Messiah gives for the sins of others.*

#### SUMMARY / The Servant Will...

*Serve God First / Have God's Spirit Upon Him / Bring forth Justice  
Will be gentle to the Bruised and the Faint Hearted  
Bring a New Covenant / Be a Light to the Nations / Open People's Eyes / Set People Free  
Be Prepared from Birth / Be a Polished Arrow / Bring Jacob Back to God  
Bring Comfort / Allow Others to Strike and Hurt Him / Be Spit Upon  
Trust in the Judgement of God / **He Would Outlast those Who Torment Him...***

...and terribly, much more...

Isaiah 52:13-15

Behold, my servant shall act wisely; he shall be high and lifted up, and shall be exalted. As many were astonished at you--his appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of the children of mankind--so shall he sprinkle many nations. Kings shall shut their mouths because of him, for that which has not been told them they see, and that which they have not heard they understand.

The Passage in Isaiah 53 actually begins in Isaiah 52, 13...

# The Suffering Servant

Isaiah 53 / Note: Isaiah ministered in Israel as a prophet between 740-680 B.C., Some 700 odd years before Christ.

Jesus' crucifixion and ministry has about 27 direct connections with this passage!

Matthew 27:29-30

Revelation 5:9, Hebrews 10:22

Romans 15:21

## 53

1 Who has believed what he has heard from us? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

2 Tim 2:8 2 For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him.

John 1:11

3 He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

Mark 9:12

See Verse 4 & 5

4 Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

Matt 8:17

Zech 12:10

5 But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.

6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned--every one--to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

See 2 Corinthians 5:21

7 He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth.

8 By oppression and judgment he was taken away; and as for his generation, who considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people?

John 18:12

See Verse 8 & 9

9 And they made his grave with the wicked and with a rich man in his death, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

Matthew 27:57-60

10 Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him; he has put him to grief; when his soul makes an offering for guilt, he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days; the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

Luke 22:42

Acts 2:22-24, Romans 6:9

11 Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied; by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.

Hebrews 12:2

Rom 5:1

12 Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong, because he poured out his soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.

Luke 22:37

Heb 7:25

But Jesus remained silent. And the high priest said to him, "I adjure you by the living God, tell us if you are the Christ, the Son of God." Matthew 26:63 / see also Mark 14:60-61

But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he gave no answer... but he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed. Matthew 27:12, 14

Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our passover lamb, has been sacrificed. Romans 4:25

And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain... Revelation 5:6, see also Revelation 13:8

When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. 1 Peter 2:23

You know that he appeared in order to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. 1 John 3:5

For as by one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous. Romans 5:19, see also 1 Peter 3:18

For I tell you that this Scripture must be fulfilled in me: 'And he was numbered with the transgressors.' For what is written about me has its fulfillment. Luke 22:37

So Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him. Hebrews 9:28

Then two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left. Matthew 27:38 See also Luke 23:33

And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. Luke 23:34

Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and inquired carefully, inquiring what person or time the Spirit of Christ in them was indicating when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the subsequent glories. 1 Peter 1:10-11

"he himself bore our sins in his body on the tree...by his wounds you have been healed. 1 Peter 2:24

"...who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification. Romans 4:25

Then they spit in his face and struck him. And some slapped him... Matthew 26:67

"Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world!" John 1:29

For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the shepherd and Overseer of your souls. 1 Peter 2:25



# Isaiah 9:6

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KINGLY TITLES  
DEMONSTRATING  
MESSIAH'S DEITY

**Note:** The term "wonderful counselor" is most likely not two titles but rather one due to the epexegetical construct to the next word counselor. In simple terms wonderful is like an adjective to counselor. Consider also the other three parallel terms following.

### Fulfillment:

**Matthew 21:15**

When the chief priests and the scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying out in the temple, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" they were indignant,

**1 John 5:20**

And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true...

6 For to us a **child** is born, to us a **son** is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called **Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.**

7 Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be **no end**, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness **from this time forth and forevermore.**

The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

### Fulfillment:

**Matthew 13:54**

"Where did this man [Jesus] get this wisdom and these mighty works?"

**Luke 24:19**

"Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people.

**Mighty God = 'el Gibbor'**  
**Gibbor used typically means warrior, here it is combined with the prefix el which stands for God**

**Deuteronomy 10:17**

For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great, the mighty, and the awesome God, who is not partial and takes no bribe.

**Psalms 24:8**

Who is this King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

**Wonderful / pe-le** / miraculous, wonder, unusual, beyond comprehension.

Wonder is used exclusively of the acts of God on behalf of his people.

See **Judges 13:15-21** where the Angel of the LORD [pre-incarnate Jesus] is wonderful (13:18) and does a wonderful thing (13:19).

**Counselor / yo-es** / advisor with wise and valuable advice

God is seen as a counselor like none other. See Isaiah 40:13, 11:2; 28:29

*Wonderful Counselor*

*Mighty God*

*Everlasting Father*

*Prince of Peace*

**Everlasting** = âd / perpetuity, lasting forever, of old

**Father** = chief, progenitor,

**Isaiah 57:15**

For thus says the One who is high and lifted up, who inhabits **eternity**, whose name is Holy: "I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite.

### Fulfillment:

**Hebrews 13:8**

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever

**Hebrews 6:20**

Where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.

### Fulfillment:

**Ephesians 2:14**

For He himself is our peace...

**Colossians 3:15**

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts...

**John 20:21**

"Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you."

**Antithetical** / Matthew 10:34

**Prince probably means "ruler" here rather than "son of king" as in Isaiah 3:14**

**Isaiah 53:5**

But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us **peace**, and with his wounds we are healed.

**Isaiah 2:4**

He shall judge between the nations, and shall decide disputes for many peoples; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.

**Other Famous Biblical Shepherds:**  
David was a shepherd (1 Samuel 16:19) and shepherds were among the first to hear about the birth of Jesus (Luke 2:8).

# The One Shepherd

*A Contrast in Care for Others and Selfishness*

## Ezekiel 34:1-25

1 The word of the LORD came to me: 2 "Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel; prophesy, and say to them, even to the shepherds, Thus says the Lord GOD: Ah, shepherds of Israel who have been feeding yourselves! Should not shepherds feed the sheep? 3 You eat the fat, you clothe yourselves with the wool, you slaughter the fat ones, but you do not feed the sheep. 4 The weak you have not strengthened, the sick you have not healed, the injured you have not bound up, the strayed you have not brought back, the lost you have not sought, and with force and harshness you have ruled them. 5 So they were scattered, because there was no shepherd, and they became food for all the wild beasts. My sheep were scattered; 6 they wandered over all the mountains and on every high hill. My sheep were scattered over all the face of the earth, with none to search or seek for them.

*I  
Spiritual  
Leaders of  
Israel  
Likened to  
Bad  
Shepherds*

7 "Therefore, you shepherds, hear the word of the LORD: 8 As I live, declares the Lord GOD, surely because my sheep have become a prey, and my sheep have become food for all the wild beasts, since there was no shepherd, and because my shepherds have not searched for my sheep, but the shepherds have fed themselves, and have not fed my sheep, 9 therefore, you shepherds, hear the word of the LORD: 10 Thus says the Lord GOD, Behold, I am against the shepherds, and I will require my sheep at their hand and put a stop to their feeding the sheep. No longer shall the shepherds feed themselves. I will rescue my sheep from their mouths, that they may not be food for them.

*II  
This Will  
Stop, I Will  
Rescue The  
Sheep*

11 "For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. 12 As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. 13 And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own

*III  
God Himself  
Will Be  
Their  
Shepherd  
and Gather  
The Sheep*

land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. 14 I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land.

There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. 15 I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. 16 I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.

17 "As for you, my flock, thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and male goats. 18 Is it not enough for you to feed on the good pasture, that you must tread down with your feet the rest of your pasture; and to drink of clear water, that you must muddy the rest of the water with your feet? 19 And must my sheep eat what you have trodden with your feet, and drink what you have muddied with your feet? 20 "Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: Behold, I, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. 21 Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, 22 I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep.

23 And I will set up over them **one shepherd**, my servant **David**, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. 24 And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant **David** shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken.

25 "I will make with them a covenant of peace and banish wild beasts from the land, so that they may dwell securely in the wilderness and sleep in the woods....

*IV  
God will  
Judge  
Between  
Each  
Individual*

*V  
God Will  
Provide One  
Shepherd*

*VI  
Future  
Safety and  
Blessings*



## FULFILLMENT IN JESUS CHRIST The Good Shepherd

### John 10:1-21

1 "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. 2 But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. 3 To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. 4 When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. 5 A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers."

*6 This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.*

7 So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, **I am the door of the sheep.** 8 All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. 9 I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. 10 The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

**11 I am the good shepherd.** The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. 12 He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. 13 He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. **14 I am the good shepherd.** I know my own and my own know me, 15 just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and *I lay down my life for the sheep.* 16 And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, **one shepherd.** 17 For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. 18 No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father."

*Note: King David has been dead for many years at this point.*

*Remember: Jesus' command to Peter: "Feed his lambs/sheep"*

## Darkness in the Prophecy

**Zechariah 13:7**  
"Awake, O sword, against my shepherd, against the man who stands next to me," declares the LORD of hosts. **"Strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered; I will turn my hand against the little ones.**

**Matthew 26:31**  
Then Jesus said to them, "You will all fall away because of me this night. For it is written, **'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.'**

## God, Our Shepherd

**1 Peter 2:25**  
For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the **Shepherd** and Overseer of your souls.

## Jesus as Shepherd

**Hebrews 13:20**  
Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great **shepherd** of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant,

**1 Peter 5:44**  
And when the chief **Shepherd** appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory.

**Revelation 7:17**  
For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their **shepherd**, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

## Appointed Shepherds

**Ephesians 4:11**  
And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the **shepherds** and teachers,

## Beware False Shepherds

**Jude 12**  
These are hidden reefs at your love feasts, as they feast with you without fear, **shepherds feeding themselves;** waterless clouds, swept along by winds; fruitless trees in late autumn, twice dead, uprooted;





## THE BACKSTORY

### Exodus 19:9

And the LORD said to Moses, "Behold, I am coming to you in a thick cloud\*, that the people may hear when I speak with you, and may also believe you forever."

### Exodus 19:12-13

12 And you shall set limits for the people all around, saying, 'Take care not to go up into the mountain or touch the edge of it. Whoever touches the mountain shall be put to death. 13 No hand shall touch him, but he shall be stoned or shot; whether beast or man, he shall not live.' When the trumpet sounds a long blast, they shall come up to the mountain."

### Exodus 19:16-22

16 On the morning of the third day there were **thunders and lightnings** and a **thick cloud** on the mountain and a **very loud trumpet blast**, so that all the people in the camp **trembled**. 17 Then Moses brought the people out of the camp to meet God, and they took their stand at the foot of the mountain. 18 Now Mount Sinai was wrapped in smoke because the LORD had descended on it in fire. The smoke of it went up like the smoke of a kiln, and the whole mountain trembled greatly. 19 And as the **sound of the trumpet grew louder and louder**, Moses spoke, and God answered him in **thunder**. 20 The LORD came down on Mount Sinai, to the top of the mountain. And the LORD called Moses to the top of the mountain, and Moses went up. 21 And the LORD said to Moses, "Go down and warn the people, lest they break through to the LORD to look and many of them perish. 22 Also let the priests who come near to the LORD consecrate themselves, lest the LORD break out against them."

### Exodus 20:18-22

18 Now when all the people saw the thunder and the flashes of lightning and the sound of the trumpet and the mountain smoking, the people were afraid and trembled, and they stood far off 19 and said to Moses, "**You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, lest we die.**" 20 Moses said to the people, "Do not fear, for God has come to test you, that the fear of him may be before you, that you may not sin." 21 The people stood far off, while Moses drew near to the thick darkness where God was. 22 And the LORD said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the people of Israel: 'You have seen for yourselves that I have talked with you from heaven.

\* Later on we find out why God met them this way, See Exodus 33:17-22

*I  
God to speak  
to Moses in  
Front of  
People*

*II  
God on Mount  
Sinai Meeting  
With Israel*

*III  
Mountain  
Scene / God's  
Presence  
Terrorizes The  
People*

*IV  
The People  
Request for  
Moses to be  
Mediator out  
of fear of God  
& his holiness.*

# The Prophet Like Moses

*The Messiah would be in some ways like  
Moses, the friend of God.* James 2:23

## THE PROMISE

### Deuteronomy 18:15-22 (ESV)

#### Moses is Speaking Here...

15 "The LORD your God will raise up for you a **prophet like me** from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall **listen**— 16 just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, '*Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.*' 17 And the LORD said to me, 'They are **right** in what they have spoken.

18 I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. 19 And **whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him.**

20 But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die.'

21 And if you say in your heart, 'How may we know the word that the LORD has not spoken?'— 22 when a prophet speaks in the name of the LORD, if the word does not come to pass or come true, that is a word that the LORD has not spoken; the prophet has spoken it presumptuously. **You need not be afraid of him.**

*I  
The Prophet  
Like Moses  
Promised:  
And a Reason  
Given*

*IV  
The Prophet  
Will Speak  
God's Words  
for God*

*III  
Consequences  
of False  
Prophet*

*IV  
The Test of  
a Prophet /  
Don't obey  
just anyone*

### Jesus is the Prophet We Should Listen To

#### Matthew 17:5

He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; **listen** to him."

### This Idea Shows Up in the Book of Acts

#### Acts 3:22-26

Moses said, '**The Lord God will raise up for you a prophet like me from your brothers. You shall listen to him in whatever he tells you.** And it shall be that every soul who does not **listen** to that prophet shall be destroyed from the people.' And all the prophets who have spoken, from Samuel and those who came after him, also proclaimed these days. You are the sons of the prophets and of the covenant that God made with your fathers, saying to Abraham, 'And in your offspring shall all the families of the earth be blessed.' God, having raised up his servant [Jesus], sent him to you first, to bless you by turning every one of you from your wickedness.'

### Jesus Spoke the Words of the Father

#### John 7:16

So Jesus answered them, "My teaching is not mine, but his who sent me.

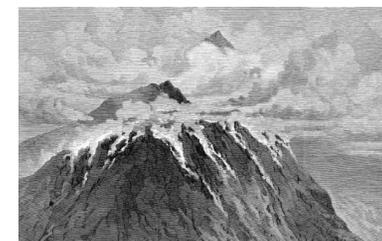
See also John 5:19, 5:30, 14:24

### Nearly One of a Kind

#### Deuteronomy 34:10

And there has not arisen a prophet since in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face,

See also Numbers 12:6-8, particularly verse 8, "with him [Moses] I speak mouth to mouth."



### Hebrews 12:18-24

18 For you have not come to [a mountain] what may be touched, a blazing fire and **darkness and gloom** and a **tempest** 19 and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. 20 For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned." 21 Indeed, so **terrifying** was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear."

22 **But you have come to Mount Zion** and to the city of the **living God**, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in **festal gathering**, 23 and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of **the righteous made perfect**, 24 and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

*Jesus > Moses*

*An amazing contrast between two mountains, a terrifying one or a gracious one in Christ Jesus*

### What do Moses and Jesus Have in Common?

- Both born with the purpose of saving others
- In infancy, both were hidden from danger
- Both were of two worlds (Moses was Jewish but raised by the Egyptians, Jesus was fully God and fully man)
- Both lead people out of slavery/bondage.
- Both established covenants with people (Moses the Law, Jesus the New Covenant)
- Both were mediators

# The Cornerstone, The Rock

## Rock Provides Stability...

**Isaiah 26:4 (ESV)**

Trust in the LORD forever, for the LORD  
GOD is an everlasting rock.

**Isaiah 30:29**

You shall have a song as in the night when  
a holy feast is kept, and gladness of heart,  
as when one sets out to the sound of the  
flute to go to the mountain of the LORD, to  
the Rock of Israel.

**Isaiah 44:8**

Fear not, nor be afraid; have I not told you  
from of old and declared it? And you are  
my witnesses! Is there a God besides me?  
There is no Rock; I know not any."

**Isaiah 51:1**

"Listen to me, you who pursue  
righteousness, you who seek the LORD:  
look to the rock from which you were  
hewn, and to the quarry from which you  
were dug.

## ...but the Rock Can Make You Stumble Too

**Isaiah 8:14**

And he will become a sanctuary and a  
stone of offense and a rock of stumbling  
to both houses of Israel, a trap and a snare  
to the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

**Psalms 118:22**

The stone that the builders rejected has  
become the cornerstone.

## "Stone" is Used in Other Contexts For Messiah

**Zechariah 3:8-10**

Hear now, O Joshua the high priest, you  
and your friends who sit before you, for  
they are men who are a sign: behold, I will  
bring my servant the Branch. For behold,  
on the stone that I have set before Joshua,  
on a single stone with seven eyes, I will  
engrave its inscription, declares the LORD  
of hosts, and I will remove the iniquity of  
this land in a single day. In that day,  
declares the LORD of hosts, every one of  
you will invite his neighbor to come under  
his vine and under his fig tree."

## THE PROMISE

**Isaiah 28:14-22 (ESV)**

14 Therefore hear the word of the LORD,  
you scoffers, who rule this people in  
Jerusalem! 15 Because you have said, "We  
have made a covenant with death, and with  
Sheol we have an agreement, when the  
overwhelming whip passes through it will not  
come to us, for we have made lies our refuge,  
and in falsehood we have taken shelter";

16 therefore thus says the Lord GOD, "Behold,  
I am the one who has laid as a foundation in  
Zion, a stone, a tested stone, a precious  
cornerstone, of a sure foundation: 'Whoever  
believes will not be in haste.' 17 And I will  
make justice the line, and righteousness the  
plumb line; and hail will sweep away the  
refuge of lies, and waters will overwhelm the  
shelter."

18 Then your covenant with death will be  
annulled, and your agreement with Sheol will  
not stand; when the overwhelming scourge  
passes through, you will be beaten down by it.

19 As often as it passes through it will take  
you; for morning by morning it will pass  
through, by day and by night; and it will be  
sheer terror to understand the message.

20 For the bed is too short to stretch oneself  
on, and the covering too narrow to wrap  
oneself in.

21 For the LORD will rise up as on Mount  
Perazim; as in the Valley of Gibeon he will be  
roused; to do his deed—strange is his deed!  
and to work his work—alien is his work!

22 Now therefore do not scoff, lest your bonds  
be made strong; for I have heard a decree of  
destruction from the Lord GOD of hosts  
against the whole land.

*The Messiah would be a foundation, the  
very centerpiece of God's work.*

## Jesus the Cornerstone

**Acts 4:11**

This Jesus is the stone that was rejected  
by you, the builders, which has become  
the cornerstone.

**1 Corinthians 3:11**

For no one can lay a foundation other  
than that which is laid, which is Jesus  
Christ.

**Ephesians 2:20**

...built on the foundation of the apostles  
and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being  
the cornerstone,

## Jesus, the Rock of Offense

**Acts 4:11**

This Jesus is the stone that was rejected  
by you, the builders, which has become  
the cornerstone.

**Romans 9:33**

as it is written, "Behold, I am laying in  
Zion a stone of stumbling, and a rock of  
offense; and whoever believes in him  
will not be put to shame."

**1 Peter 2:6-8**

For it stands in Scripture: "Behold, I am  
laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone  
chosen and precious, and whoever  
believes in him will not be put to shame."

So the honor is for you who believe, but  
for those who do not believe,

"The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone," and "A  
stone of stumbling, and a rock of  
offense." They stumble because they  
disobey the word, as they were destined  
to do.

*I  
Judah made a  
covenant with  
Egypt, it will  
not protect*

*II  
Their  
Protection  
will come  
from God, a  
Cornerstone*

*III  
The Treaty  
will Not Stand,  
God will  
Bring Justice*

*IV  
God's Judgement  
Will Seem  
Unconventional*

*V  
Judgement  
Coming Against  
Judah*

## Jesus tells a parable...

**Matthew 21:33-44 (ESV)**

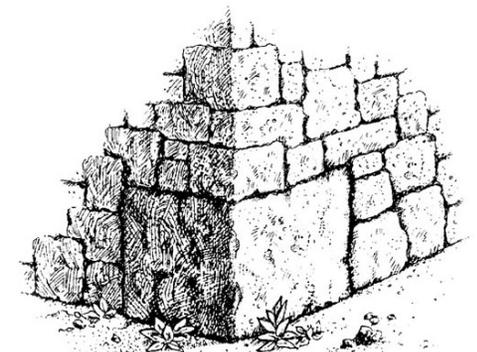
33 "Hear another parable. There was a  
master of a house who planted a vineyard  
and put a fence around it and dug a  
winepress in it and built a tower and  
leased it to tenants, and went into another  
country. 34 When the season for fruit  
drew near, he sent his servants to the  
tenants to get his fruit. 35 And the tenants  
took his servants and beat one, killed  
another, and stoned another. 36 Again he  
sent other servants, more than the first.

And they did the same to them. 37  
Finally he sent his son to them, saying,  
'They will respect my son.' 38 But when  
the tenants saw the son, they said to  
themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let  
us kill him and have his inheritance.' 39  
And they took him and threw him out of  
the vineyard and killed him. 40 When  
therefore the owner of the vineyard  
comes, what will he do to those tenants?"

41 They said to him, "He will put those  
wretches to a miserable death and let out  
the vineyard to other tenants who will  
give him the fruits in their seasons."

42 Jesus said to them, "Have you never  
read in the Scriptures: " 'The stone that  
the builders rejected has become the  
cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing,  
and it is marvelous in our eyes'?"

43 Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of  
God will be taken away from you and  
given to a people producing its fruits. 44  
And the one who falls on this stone will  
be broken to pieces; and when it falls on  
anyone, it will crush him."



# Putting The Pieces Together

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JESUS THE MESSIAH / IMMANUEL

**When Taken as a Whole** / *There are no other people from history who match up to this but one. It sounds exactly like Jesus Christ as described in the New Testament Scriptures.*

**Anointed One** / One that God chooses. Kingly in nature. Has God's backing. Our shield and defender.

**The Son of God** / One who would be related to God himself. God's backing. God's nature.

**The Son of Man** / One who would be related to mankind. Given dominion, glory and a kingdom, all nations will serve him forever.

**The Son of David** / One who will come from the line of David, fulfilling all the promises God made David. Born in the city of David.

**The Teacher** / One who will be a great teacher. Hidden for a time and then revealed. Echoes the very nature of God in being a teacher.

**The Servant of God** / One who will do the will of God even when all others have failed to do so. Obedient, even through hard times. Be blessed with God's Spirit. Will be gentle to the bruised and faint of heart. Bring a new covenant. Open people's eyes. Bring Jacob back to God. Bring comfort.

**The Suffering Servant** / Allow others to strike, spit, be tortured, and be killed. He will do so for the sins of others even though he himself was innocent.

**Isaiah 9:6** / One who has the godly titles of Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace.

**The Branch of the Lord** / One who comes from the line of David but from there branches out and build a new temple. One who is both Priest and King.

**The LORD Our Righteousness** / One who is like Yahweh and is righteous, and will provide righteousness to others.

**The Shepherd** / One who is a righteous and good leader to Israel, like a Shepherd. One who is humble and like a prince.

**The Light to the Nations** / One who is a light to the other nations, that salvation will reach to the end of the world.

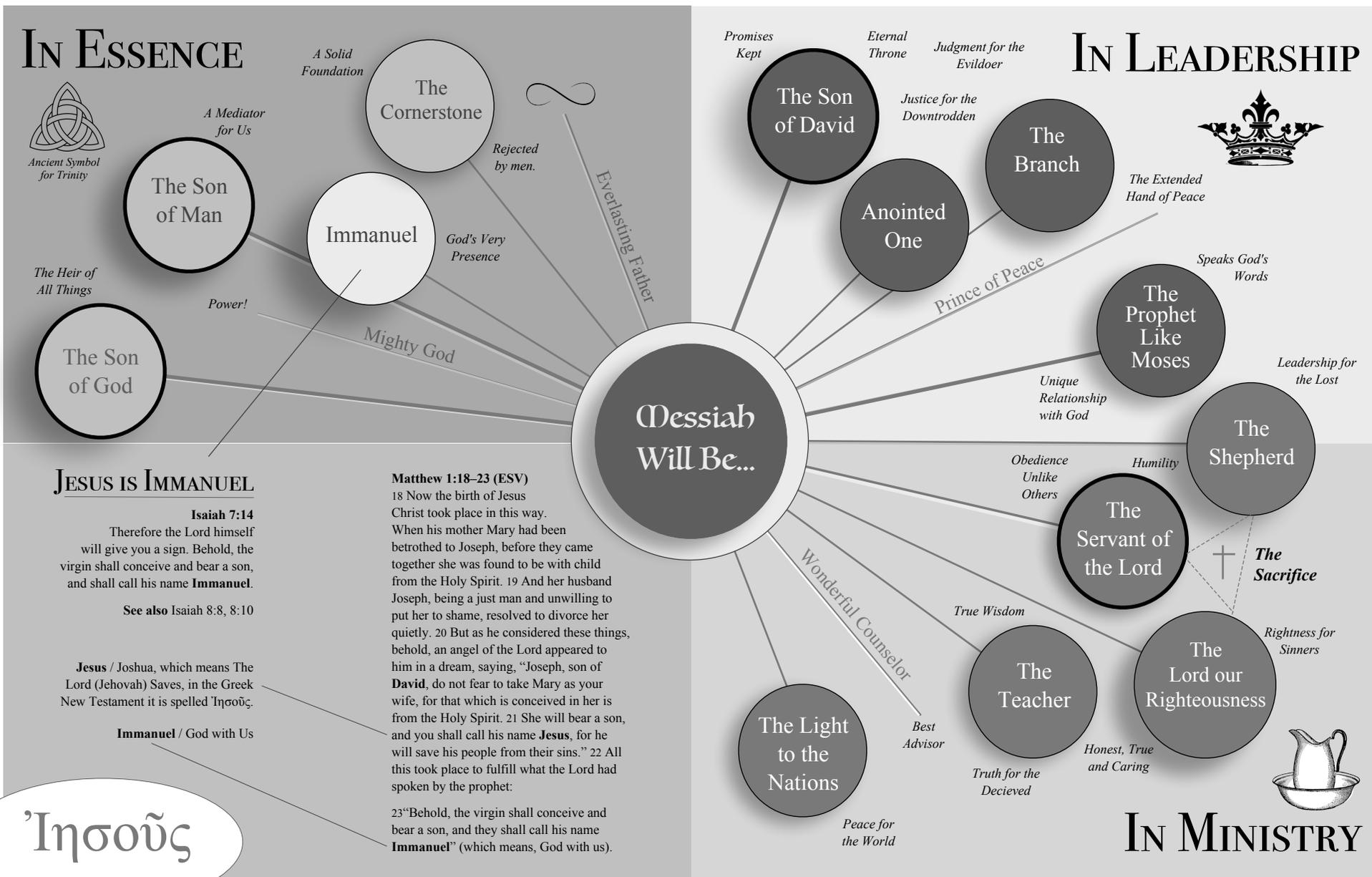
**The Prophet Like Moses** / One who is a mediator between God and Man; one who makes hearing God easier and less threatening.

**The Cornerstone, the Rock, The Stone of Stumbling** / One who is a sturdy and wonderful cornerstone on which to build, a great foundation to keep a structure from being faulty. Also, a stone that because of its solidity will cause others to trip and fall. Will be rejected.

**Immanuel** / One who is like God who dwells with man and is with them.

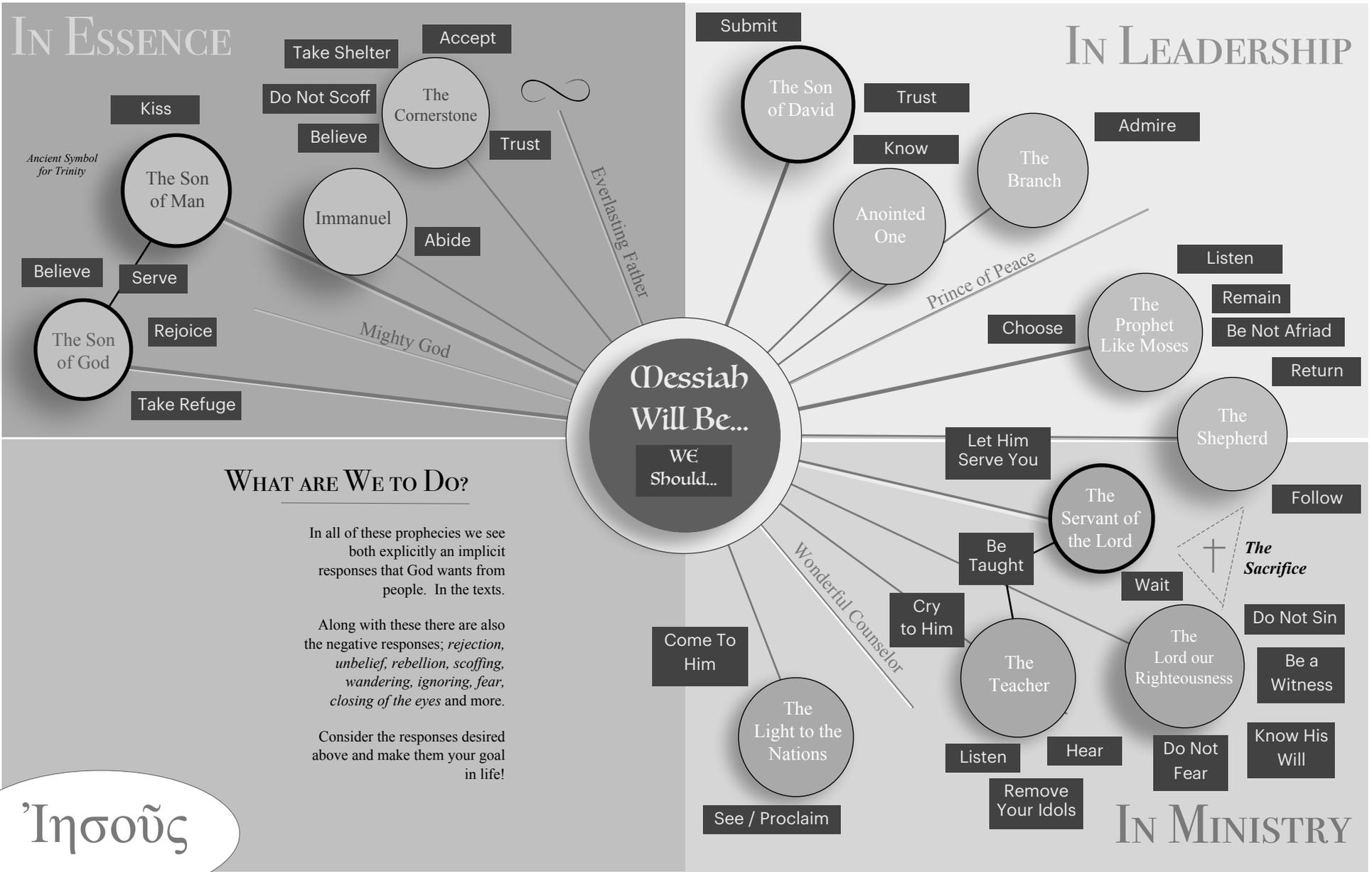
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JESUS THE MESSIAH / IMMANUEL



# Our Responses to These Things

JESUS THE MESSIAH / APPLICATION



# The Names of Jesus

The Last Adam  
Advocate  
Almighty  
Alpha and Omega  
Amen  
Anointed One  
The Apostle of Our Confession  
Arm of the Lord  
Author of Life  
Author and Finisher of Our Faith  
Author of Eternal Salvation  
Beginning of Creation Of God  
Beloved Son  
Blessed And Only Potentate  
Branch  
Bread Of Life  
Bread of Heaven  
Captain Of Salvation  
Carpenter  
Chief Shepherd  
Christ of God  
Chosen One  
Consolation of Israel

Cornerstone  
Creator  
"David"  
Dayspring  
Deliverer  
Desire of The Nations  
Door  
Elect Of God  
Everlasting Father  
Faithful Witness  
First And Last  
First Begotten  
Firstborn of the Dead  
Forerunner  
Glory of The Lord  
God  
God Blessed  
Good Shepherd  
Governor  
Great High Priest  
Head of The Church  
Heir of All Things  
Holy Child  
Holy One

Holy One of God  
Holy One of Israel  
Horn Of Salvation  
I Am  
Image of God  
Immanuel  
Jehovah  
Jesus  
Jesus the Galilean  
Jesus of Nazareth  
Judge of Israel  
The Just One  
King  
King of The Ages  
King of Israel  
King of The Jews  
King of Kings  
King of Saints  
Lawgiver  
Lamb  
Lamb of God  
Leader and Commander  
The Life  
Light of The World

Lion of The Tribe of Judah  
Living Stone  
Lord Of All  
Lord of Glory  
Lord of Lords  
Lord of Our Righteousness  
Man of Sorrows  
Mediator  
Messenger of The Covenant  
Messiah  
Mighty God  
Mighty One  
Morning Star  
Nazarene  
Only Begotten Son  
Our Passover  
Prince of Life  
Prince of Kings  
Prince of Peace  
Prophet  
Propthet Like Moses  
Redeemer  
Resurrection and Life  
Rock

Root of David  
Root of Jessie  
Rose of Sharon  
Savior  
Seed of Woman  
Servant of the Lord  
Shepherd and Bishop of Souls  
Shiloh  
Son of The Blessed  
Son of David  
Son of God  
Son of The Highest  
Stone of Offense (Stumbling)  
Sun of Righteousness  
The Teacher  
True Light  
True Vine  
Truth  
The Way  
Witness  
Wonderful Counselor  
Word  
Word Of God

