

“The King of Messianic Prophecies”

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The Old Testament prophesies the coming of a Messiah – a special agent from God who will fix what is broken in Israel and in the world. Many of the writing prophets hint at this. Isaiah does more than that. He gives many details and descriptions of this Messiah. He is king of the prophets in this regard.

Prophecy of the Messiah’s Birth and Declaration of his Divinity.

“The Lord himself will give you a sign; the virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.” Isaiah 7:14

Prophecy about the Messiah’s Birth.

“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders, and he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase in his government and peace there will be no end.” Isaiah 9:6-7a

Prophecy of and Eternal King.

“He will reign on David’s throne and over his kingdom.” Isaiah 9:7

Prophecy of Where the Messiah will Come From.

“Galilee of the nations...the people walking in darkness have seen a great light.” Isaiah 9:1-2a

Prophecy about John the Baptist.

“A voice of one calling: In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God.” Isaiah (40:3)

Prophecy of the Coming Messiah’s Work.

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because the Lord has anointed

me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the broken hearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” Isaiah 61:1-2a – Also see Luke 4:18-19

Prophecies about Jesus death.

“He was despised and rejected by others, a man of suffering, and familiar with pain... he took up our pain and bore our suffering...But he was pierced for our transgressions, and he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed. We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us have turned to our own way and the Lord has laid on him the iniquities of us all. He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter; and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth...For the transgressions of my people he was punished. He was assigned a grave with the wicked and with the rich in his death, though he had done no violence nor was any deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the Lord’s will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and...the Lord makes his life an offering for sin...and he will bear their iniquities...he poured his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.” (portions of Isaiah 53)