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New Message Series: A Journey To Christmas

Today's Message: Isaiah's Prophecy: God's Plan Sending The God/Man

* The O.T. prophet Isaiah ("salvation of Yaweh"), lived _____ before the birth of Christ yet was given by God prophecies about Christ's birth.

Some Today: limit the power of God and choose to _____ the predictive claims or even attempt to disprove them.

Theme: Isaiah 12:2 "Behold God is my salvation, I will trust and not be afraid."

1. God _____ A Son

Isaiah 7:10-14

* **Prophetic Passages**—in Scripture often have an immediate meaning for present-day hearers but also an added meaning for _____ generations.

Immediate: In spite of King Ahaz having false humility, God would send a sign anyway—a special child probably born in his day, but the ultimate in the birth of Christ.

Future: Matthew quotes this word for word—Matthew 1:23 "The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call Him Immanuel" (which means "God with us").

King Ahaz—_____ to trust Assyria, a wicked empire, rather than to trust a Loving, Almighty God.

Galatians 4:4 "When the time had fully come, God sent His Son."

* It Wasn't Easy—it took what seemed way too long, but _____ His promise.

* Waiting on God is always worth it!!

2. _____ This Promised Son Is

Isaiah 9:6, 7

How God Wants—to _____ His Son as "Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace" to you.

1) **Wonderful Counselor**—this Child will work wonderful miracles and will rule with wisdom.

2) **Mighty God**—His will come "God with us", God Himself in flesh, with all the power of heaven.

3) **Everlasting Father**—Jesus Christ came to earth as a baby, but He always existed in eternity past.

4) **Prince of Peace**—This Son of the One True God will bring fulfillment, hope, and freeing peace.

⇒ Which of these names is most important to you right now? _____

"Fixers" - truth without tears

"Feelers" - tears without truth

3. This Messiah Depends on The _____

Isaiah 11:1, 2

* When Jesus came as King the royal authority of David had been dormant for 600 years, yet as the Branch comes, He is full of life, full of the Spirit of the Lord

* Matthew 9:35-38

“The Spirit of Wisdom” - 1 Corinthians 1:30 - Jesus became for us wisdom from God

At His Birth: Jesus emptied Himself of His own advantages and rights and relied on the Holy Spirit to fill him as a God-man, being an eternal example to us, to live filled with the Spirit.

Philippians 2:5-11

* Every person will one day ultimately confess Christ as King, either in joyful faith or with resentment and despair.