

Walking the Ancient Path

Isaiah's Messiah ¹⁶ This is what the Lord says: "Stand at the crossroads and look; ask for the ancient paths, ask where the good way is, and walk in it, and you will find rest for your souls. Jer. 6

Abraham's Covenant Israel Judah Babylon Exile Return

Prophets of Israel

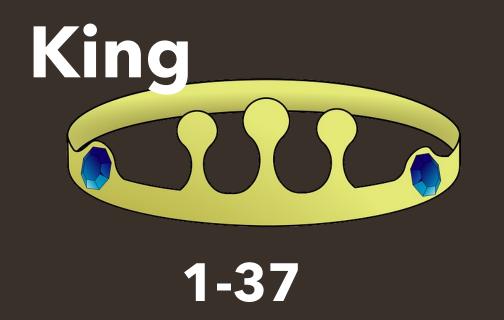
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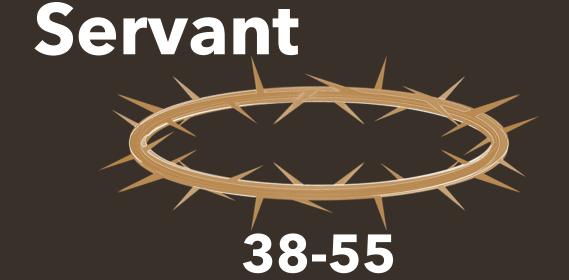
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Nahum
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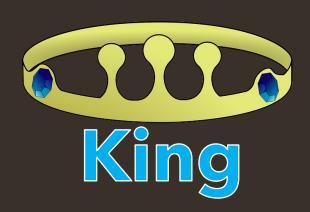
Isaiah 9:1-7

Nevertheless, that time of darkness and despair will not go on forever . . .



- Those in darkness will see. vs. 2
- People filled with joy. vs. 3
- Yoke of slavery broken. vs. 4
- Enemy defeated. vs. 4-5

⁶ For a child is born to us, a son is given to us. The government will rest on his shoulders. And he will be called:



Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

⁷ His government and its peace will never end. He will rule with fairness and justice

from the throne of his ancestor

David for all eternity.

The passionate commitment

of the Lord of Heaven's Armies

will make this happen!





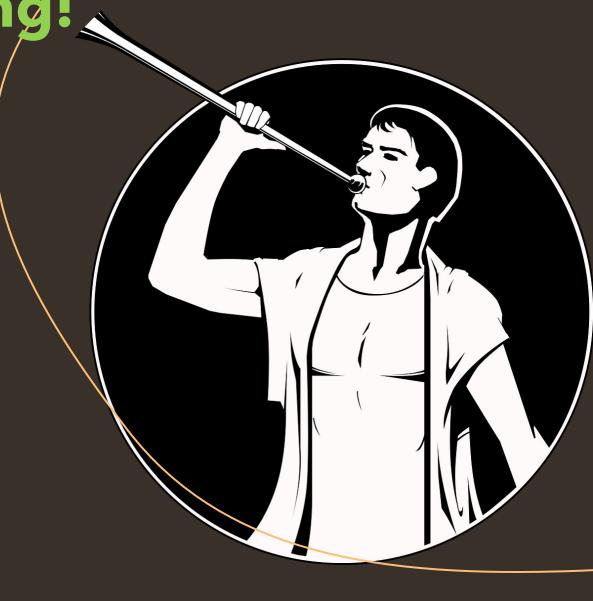
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A King Is Coming!

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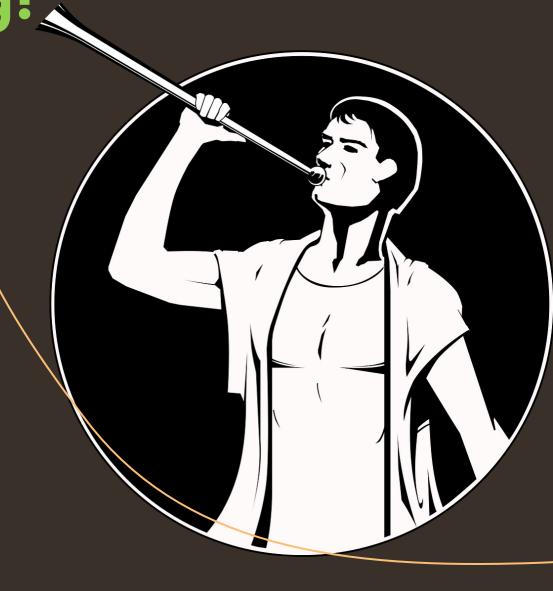


Mighty God

Wonderful Counselor

Everlasting Father

Prince of Peace



Isaiah 53

² My servant grew up in the Lord's **Serva** presence like a tender green shoot, like a root in dry ground.

There was nothing beautiful or majestic about his appearance, nothing to attract us to him.

³ He was despised and rejected a man of sorrows, acquainted



with deepest grief. We turned our backs on him and looked the other way. He was despised, and we did not care.

⁴ Yet it was our weaknesses he carried; it was our sorrows that weighed him down. And we thought his troubles

were a punishment from God, a punishment for his own sins! Serva ⁵ But he was pierced for our rebellion, crushed for our sins. He was beaten so we could be whole. He was whipped so we could be healed. ⁶ All of us, like sheep, have strayed away. We have left God's paths

to follow our own. Yet the Lord laid on him the sins of us all.

⁷ He was oppressed and treated harshly, yet he never said a word.



He was led like a lamb to the slaughter.

And as a sheep is silent before the shearers, he did not open his mouth.

⁸ Unjustly condemned, he was led away. No one cared that he died without descendants, that his life was cut short in midstream. But he was struck down for the rebellion of my people.

⁹ He had done no wrong and had never deceived anyone . . .

11 And because of his experience, my righteous servant will make it possible for many to be counted righteous, for he will bear all their sins.



Suffering Servant

Downward Upward

Path of the Servant



Suffering Servant Unbelievable Contrast

Left &

Right



Suffering Servant

Downward Now Upward















Isaiah 61

The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is upon me, for the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to comfort the brokenhearted and to proclaim that captives will be released and prisoners will be freed.

² He has sent me to tell those who mourn that the time of the Lord's favor has come, and with it, the day of God's anger against their enemies.

To all who mourn in Israel, he will give a crown of beauty for ashes, a joyous blessing instead of mourning, festive praise instead of despair.

In their righteousness, they will be like great oaks that the Lord has planted for his own glory.







Isaiah 61

The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is upon you, _____, for



He has sent you, ______, to comfort the brokenhearted and to proclaim that captives will be released and prisoners will be freed.

