

ISAIAH 11 & 12
THE MILLENNIAL
KINGDOM

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ISAIAH 11:1-2 NKJV

THERE SHALL COME FORTH A ROD FROM
THE STEM OF JESSE, AND A BRANCH
SHALL GROW OUT OF HIS ROOTS. [2] THE
SPIRIT OF THE LORD SHALL REST UPON
HIM, THE SPIRIT OF WISDOM AND
UNDERSTANDING, THE SPIRIT OF
COUNSEL AND MIGHT, THE SPIRIT OF
KNOWLEDGE AND OF THE FEAR OF THE
LORD.

ISAIAH 11:3-5 NKJV

HIS DELIGHT IS IN THE FEAR OF THE LORD, AND HE SHALL NOT JUDGE BY THE SIGHT OF HIS EYES, NOR DECIDE BY THE HEARING OF HIS EARS; [4] BUT WITH RIGHTEOUSNESS HE SHALL JUDGE THE POOR, AND DECIDE WITH EQUITY FOR THE MEEK OF THE EARTH; HE SHALL STRIKE THE EARTH WITH THE ROD OF HIS MOUTH, AND WITH THE BREATH OF HIS LIPS HE SHALL SLAY THE WICKED. [5] RIGHTEOUSNESS SHALL BE THE BELT OF HIS LOINS, AND FAITHFULNESS THE BELT OF HIS WAIST.

- (Vv 1-2) The stem (or stump) of Jesse —> God's chosen royal family.
- The tree (Judah) has been shrunk to insignificance because of their apostasy
- A stem/shoot/blossom will appear—> Christ
- The 7 fold Spirit of the Lord will rest upon Him (Rev 5:6)
- The Spirit of Jehovah, wisdom, understanding, counsel, might, knowledge, and the fear of the LORD
- Symbolism of the menorah—> seven lights (center and three pairs on either side).

- (Vv 3-5) Delight in the Hebrew literally means “smell”
 - Brings to picture the sacrifice
 - The Bible speaks of them as sweet aroma to the LORD
 - So the reverent hallowing of God will be delightful to Him/Christ
- He won't rule by senses or conventional wisdom of man, but with:
 - Righteousness
 - Equity

ISAIAH 11:6-9 NKJV

"THE WOLF ALSO SHALL DWELL WITH THE LAMB, THE LEOPARD SHALL LIE DOWN WITH THE YOUNG GOAT, THE CALF AND THE YOUNG LION AND THE FATLING TOGETHER; AND A LITTLE CHILD SHALL LEAD THEM. [7]

THE COW AND THE BEAR SHALL GRAZE; THEIR YOUNG ONES SHALL LIE DOWN TOGETHER; AND THE LION SHALL EAT STRAW LIKE THE OX. [8] THE NURSING CHILD SHALL

PLAY BY THE COBRA'S HOLE, AND THE WEANED CHILD SHALL PUT HIS HAND IN THE VIPER'S DEN. [9] THEY

SHALL NOT HURT NOR DESTROY IN ALL MY HOLY MOUNTAIN, FOR THE EARTH SHALL BE FULL OF THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE LORD AS THE WATERS COVER THE SEA.

- The fruit of His righteousness is peace; which will reign in fullness.
 - The curse of sin is lifted (Romans 8:18-22)
 - Creation is freed (perfect harmony, no predators/carnivores)
 - Animals no longer dangerous (Genesis 9:2)
- “The earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord.”
- This will be the kingdom where God will live on Mount Zion and will teach all the people who come there.
- This will be the time when “the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord” (11:9).

ISAIAH 11:10-11 NKJV

"AND IN THAT DAY THERE SHALL BE A ROOT OF JESSE, WHO SHALL STAND AS A BANNER TO THE PEOPLE; FOR THE GENTILES SHALL SEEK HIM, AND HIS RESTING PLACE SHALL BE GLORIOUS." [11] IT SHALL COME TO PASS IN THAT DAY THAT THE LORD SHALL SET HIS HAND AGAIN THE SECOND TIME TO RECOVER THE REMNANT OF HIS PEOPLE WHO ARE LEFT, FROM ASSYRIA AND EGYPT, FROM PATHROS AND CUSH, FROM ELAM AND SHINAR, FROM HAMATH AND THE ISLANDS OF THE SEA.

ISAIAH 11:12-13 NKJV

HE WILL SET UP A BANNER FOR THE
NATIONS, AND WILL ASSEMBLE THE
OUTCASTS OF ISRAEL, AND GATHER
TOGETHER THE DISPERSED OF JUDAH FROM
THE FOUR CORNERS OF THE EARTH. [13]
ALSO THE ENVY OF EPHRAIM SHALL DEPART,
AND THE ADVERSARIES OF JUDAH SHALL BE
CUT OFF; EPHRAIM SHALL NOT ENVY JUDAH,
AND JUDAH SHALL NOT HARASS EPHRAIM.

- Christ will stand triumphant and powerful in His kingdom
- The nations will gather to Him (gentiles and jew alike)
- He shall bring Israel in again a 2nd time
 - 1st time: Out of Egypt
 - 2nd time: the remnant brought out of the tribulation
- There will be peace: Judah will have no enemies and they will have peace with Israel as well.

ISAIAH 11:14-16 NKJV

BUT THEY SHALL FLY DOWN UPON THE SHOULDER OF THE PHILISTINES TOWARD THE WEST; TOGETHER THEY SHALL PLUNDER THE PEOPLE OF THE EAST; THEY SHALL LAY THEIR HAND ON EDOM AND MOAB; AND THE PEOPLE OF AMMON SHALL OBEY THEM. [15] THE LORD WILL UTTERLY DESTROY THE TONGUE OF THE SEA OF EGYPT; WITH HIS MIGHTY WIND HE WILL SHAKE HIS FIST OVER THE RIVER, AND STRIKE IT IN THE SEVEN STREAMS, AND MAKE MEN CROSS OVER DRY-SHOD. [16] THERE WILL BE A HIGHWAY FOR THE REMNANT OF HIS PEOPLE WHO WILL BE LEFT FROM ASSYRIA, AS IT WAS FOR ISRAEL IN THE DAY THAT HE CAME UP FROM THE LAND OF EGYPT.

- (V 14) This seemingly is a contradiction of the peace previously described
 - This probably is best understood as describing the war (destroying the enemies of Christ) that ushers in His kingdom.
 - Also guaranteeing that ALL of the Promise Land will be in the possession of Israel.
- (Vv 15, 16) Describes the mighty acts of God
 - God will repeat miracles when gathering His people out of exile and making a way for His people to return
 - Parting the Red Sea (Suez Canal by some scholars) and the Euphrates River to create a highway/path for their return
 - Mentioned are Egypt (West) and Assyria (East)
 - These images bring to mind the miracles at the Red Sea and the Jordan River

CHAPTER 12:
A SONG OF PRAISE

ISAIAH 12:1-3 NKJV

AND IN THAT DAY YOU WILL SAY: "O LORD, I WILL PRAISE YOU; THOUGH YOU WERE ANGRY WITH ME, YOUR ANGER IS TURNED AWAY, AND YOU COMFORT ME. [2] BEHOLD, GOD IS MY SALVATION, I WILL TRUST AND NOT BE AFRAID; 'FOR YAH, THE LORD, IS MY STRENGTH AND SONG; HE ALSO HAS BECOME MY SALVATION.'" [3] THEREFORE WITH JOY YOU WILL DRAW WATER FROM THE WELLS OF SALVATION.

ISAIAH 12:4-6 NKJV

AND IN THAT DAY YOU WILL SAY: "PRAISE THE LORD, CALL UPON HIS NAME; DECLARE HIS DEEDS AMONG THE PEOPLES, MAKE MENTION THAT HIS NAME IS EXALTED. [5] SING TO THE LORD, FOR HE HAS DONE EXCELLENT THINGS; THIS IS KNOWN IN ALL THE EARTH. [6] CRY OUT AND SHOUT, O INHABITANT OF ZION, FOR GREAT IS THE HOLY ONE OF ISRAEL IN YOUR MIDST!"