





# The Nations Inquire of the Promised Messiah





11 A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse;  
from his roots a Branch will bear fruit.

Isaiah 11:1–10



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<sup>2</sup>The Spirit of the LORD will rest on him—  
the Spirit of wisdom and of  
understanding,  
the Spirit of counsel and of might,  
the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the  
LORD—





<sup>3</sup> and he will delight in the fear of the LORD.  
He will not judge by what he sees with his  
eyes,  
or decide by what he hears with his ears;



4 but with righteousness he will judge the  
needy,  
with justice he will give decisions for the  
poor of the earth.  
He will strike the earth with the rod of his  
mouth;  
with the breath of his lips he will slay the  
wicked.



<sup>5</sup> Righteousness will be his belt  
and faithfulness the sash around his waist.





<sup>6</sup>The wolf will live with the lamb,  
the leopard will lie down with the goat,  
the calf and the lion and the yearling  
together;  
and a little child will lead them.





<sup>7</sup> The cow will feed with the bear,  
their young will lie down together,  
and the lion will eat straw like the ox.

<sup>8</sup> The infant will play near the cobra's den,  
the young child will put its hand into the  
viper's nest.





<sup>9</sup>They will neither harm nor destroy  
on all my holy mountain,  
for the earth will be filled with the  
knowledge of the LORD  
as the waters cover the sea.





<sup>10</sup> In that day the Root of Jesse will stand as a banner for the peoples; the nations will rally to him, and his resting place will be glorious.





What do you want for Christmas?





14 “Glory to God in highest heaven,  
and peace on earth to those with  
whom God is pleased.”





What does Peace on Earth look like?



Peace with God





<sup>18</sup> The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of people, who suppress the truth by their wickedness...



Romans 1:18

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5 By faith we have been made acceptable to God. And now, thanks to our Lord Jesus Christ, we have peace with God.



Romans 5:1

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<sup>20</sup> Everything in heaven and on earth can come to God because of Christ's death on the cross. Christ's blood has made peace.





Peace of God





27 “I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don’t be troubled or afraid.”



John 14:27

NLT



<sup>6</sup> Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done.  
<sup>7</sup> Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.





# Peace with Others





<sup>9</sup> God blesses those who work for  
peace,  
for they will be called the children  
of God.





19 So let us do all we can to live in peace. And let us work hard to build up one another.





Peace for Others





<sup>20</sup> So we have been sent to speak for Christ. It is as if God is calling to you through us. We speak for Christ when we beg you to be at peace with God.





17 So faith comes from hearing the Good News, and people hear the Good News when someone tells them about Christ.



7 How wonderful it is to see a messenger coming across the mountains, bringing good news, the news of peace!

