***Notes & Summary of “Isaiah-The Gospel Prophet: Noble Prince of Peace”***

***1) A great Light to dispel the darkness***

**Isaiah 9:1-2**

9 Nevertheless, there will be no more gloom for those who were in distress. In the past he humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the future he will honor Galilee of the nations, by the Way of the Sea, beyond the Jordan—

2The people walking in darkness
    have seen a great light;
on those living in the land of deep darkness
    a light has dawned.

* *Who is the great light that Isaiah is talking about? Jesus, is the Great Light.*

**Luke 2:25-32**

25Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was on him. 26It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord’s Messiah. 27Moved by the Spirit, he went into the temple courts. When the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the custom of the Law required, 28Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying:

29“Sovereign Lord, as you have promised,
    you may now dismiss your servant in peace.
30For my eyes have seen your salvation,
31    which you have prepared in the sight of all nations:
32a light for revelation to the Gentiles,
    and the glory of your people Israel.”

* *What clues indicate Simeon is a prophet? The Holy Spirit was upon him. It was revealed to him by the Spirit; he came by the Spirit into the temple. He’s quoting the Scriptures, because he’s speaking by the Holy Spirit and repeating the prophecy given 700 years earlier.*
* *“He was waiting for the consolation of Israel” so he was looking for the fulfillment of the prophecy. (Consolation of Israel is a name for the Messiah in common use among the Jews. The Greek word paraklesis is kindred to that translated “Comforter”)*

**John 8:12**

**Dispute Over Jesus’ Testimony**

12When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”

**John 1:1-4**

**The Word Became Flesh**

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2He was with God in the beginning. 3Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. 4In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.

**Matthew 4:12-17**

### Jesus Begins to Preach

12When Jesus heard that John had been put in prison, he withdrew to Galilee. 13Leaving Nazareth, he went and lived in Capernaum, which was by the lake in the area of Zebulun and Naphtali— 14to fulfill what was said through the prophet Isaiah:

15“Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali,
    the Way of the Sea, beyond the Jordan,
    Galilee of the Gentiles—
16the people living in darkness
    have seen a great light;
on those living in the land of the shadow of death
    a light has dawned.”

17From that time on Jesus began to preach, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

**1 Peter 2:9**

9But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

* *What is the appropriate way to respond to the fact that the light of the world has dispelled our darkness? Proclaim His praises.*

***2) A special Child will be born***

# Isaiah 9:6-7

6For 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.
7Of the greatness of his government and peace
    there will be no end.
He will reign on David’s throne
    and over his kingdom,
establishing and upholding it
    with justice and righteousness
    from that time on and forever.
The zeal of the Lord Almighty
    will accomplish this.

# *This is a prophecy. This kingdom is going to last forever.*

# *The child is more than just a human being. He is the One upon whom the government rests.*

# Luke 2:9-11

9An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. 10But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. 11Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. 12This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.”

* *A savior Christ (Christos, Messiah); Christ the Lord, He is born, a Savior.*
* *If Jesus the Messiah is the Savior of the world, will everybody be saved? Everyone will be saved who wants to be saved that makes that choice to accept salvation.. Everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord will be saved. Everyone can choose to be saved but everyone has a choice to believe.*

***3) Free to accept or reject God’s provision***

# Isaiah 9:8-10

**The Lord’s Anger Against Israel**

8The Lord has sent a message against Jacob;
    it will fall on Israel.
9All the people will know it—
    Ephraim and the inhabitants of Samaria—
who say with pride
    and arrogance of heart,
10“The bricks have fallen down,
    but we will rebuild with dressed stone;
the fig trees have been felled,
    but we will replace them with cedars.”

* *God is calling them to repent and they’re saying, in pride and arrogance: “Well, if things fall down, we’ll build them even stronger than before.”*
* *This arrogant attitude is elsewhere in Scripture.*

**Genesis 11:1-4**

### The Tower of Babel

11 Now the whole world had one language and a common speech. 2As people moved eastward, they found a plain in Shinar and settled there.

3They said to each other, “Come, let’s make bricks and bake them thoroughly.” They used brick instead of stone, and tar for mortar. 4Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves; otherwise we will be scattered over the face of the whole earth.”

**Isaiah 14:12-14**

12How you have fallen from heaven,
    morning star (Lucifer), son of the dawn!
You have been cast down to the earth,
    you who once laid low the nations!
13You said in your heart,
    “I will ascend to the heavens;
I will raise my throne
    above the stars of God;
I will sit enthroned on the mount of assembly,
    on the utmost heights of Mount Zaphon.
14I will ascend above the tops of the clouds;
    I will make myself like the Most High.”

* *This is the greatest sin; this proud, arrogant resistance against the love and mercy of God. It all stems from Lucifer.*

# Philippians 2:6 (NKJV)

6who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God,

# Philippians 2:6 (NIV)

6Who, being in very nature God,
    did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;

* *The incarnation is the ultimate act of humility, that the eternal Son of God, would come, not only into humanity and take the form of a servant, be obedient even to death.*
* *Lucifer is the ultimate picture of pride and arrogance.*

### Phillippians 2:1-11

### Imitating Christ’s Humility

2 Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, 2then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. 3Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, 4not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.

5In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

6Who, being in very nature God,
    did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;
7rather, he made himself nothing
    by taking the very nature of a servant,
    being made in human likeness.
8And being found in appearance as a man,
    he humbled himself
    by becoming obedient to death—
        even death on a cross!

9Therefore God exalted him to the highest place
    and gave him the name that is above every name,
10that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
    in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
11and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord,
    to the glory of God the Father.

**Isaiah 9:13**

13But the people have not returned to him who struck them,
    nor have they sought the Lord Almighty.

* *If God loves the world, why does He chastise people? (“strikes them” or disciplines them) There was a constant pleading for them to turn.*

**Hebrews 12:3-11**

3Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

### God Disciplines His Children

4In your struggle against sin, you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. 5And have you completely forgotten this word of encouragement that addresses you as a father addresses his son? It says,

“My son, do not make light of the Lord’s discipline,
    and do not lose heart when he rebukes you,
6because the Lord disciplines the one he loves,
    and he chastens everyone he accepts as his son.”

7Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as his children. For what children are not disciplined by their father? 8If you are not disciplined—and everyone undergoes discipline—then you are not legitimate, not true sons and daughters at all. 9Moreover, we have all had human fathers who disciplined us and we respected them for it. How much more should we submit to the Father of spirits and live! 10They disciplined us for a little while as they thought best; but God disciplines us for our good, in order that we may share in his holiness. 11No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it.

**Jeremiah 9:23**

23This is what the Lord says:

“Let not the wise boast of their wisdom
    or the strong boast of their strength
    or the rich boast of their riches,
24but let the one who boasts boast about this:
    that they have the understanding to know me,
that I am the Lord, who exercises kindness,
    justice and righteousness on earth,
    for in these I delight,”
declares the Lord.

**Mark 15:27-32**

27When she heard about Jesus, she came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, 28because she thought, “If I just touch his clothes, I will be healed.” 29Immediately her bleeding stopped and she felt in her body that she was freed from her suffering.

30At once Jesus realized that power had gone out from him. He turned around in the crowd and asked, “Who touched my clothes?”

31“You see the people crowding against you,” his disciples answered, “and yet you can ask, ‘Who touched me?’ ”

32But Jesus kept looking around to see who had done it.

**Luke 23:39-43**

39One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him: “Aren’t you the Messiah? Save yourself and us!”

40But the other criminal rebuked him. “Don’t you fear God,” he said, “since you are under the same sentence? 41We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong.”

42Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.”

43Jesus answered him, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.”

***4) More prophecies about Messiah***

**Isaiah 11:1-2**

**The Branch From Jesse**

11 A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse;
    from his roots a Branch will bear fruit.
2The 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—

* *Connected to Jesus? The stem of Jesse; Jesse was the father of King David. Jesus is the in the messianic term “Son of David.” Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him…remember prophecy that Jesus quoted in Nazareth? It was actually also by Isaiah the prophet: “The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me,” because He’s anointed Me.*

**Matthew 1:1**

### The Genealogy of Jesus the Messiah

1 This is the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah the son of David, the son of Abraham:

**Luke 18:38**

38He called out, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!”

**Revelation 22:16**

16“I, Jesus, have sent my angel to give you this testimony for the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the bright Morning Star.”

**Luke 3:21-22**

**The Baptism and Genealogy of Jesus**

21When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened 22and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: “You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.”

**Luke 4:18-19**

18“The Spirit of the Lord is on me,
    because he has anointed me
    to proclaim good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners
    and recovery of sight for the blind,
to set the oppressed free,
19    to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

**Isaiah 11:3-5**

3and 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;
4but 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.
5Righteousness will be his belt
    and faithfulness the sash around his waist.

* *Is this prophecy talking about the second coming of Jesus, or is it speaking about the first coming as a baby in Bethlehem? Second coming*

**Revelation 19:11-16**

### The Heavenly Warrior Defeats the Beast

11I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and wages war. 12His eyes are like blazing fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself. 13He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God. 14The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean. 15Coming out of his mouth is a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. “He will rule them with an iron scepter.” He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty. 16On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written:

king of kings and lord of lords.

**Isaiah 11:6-9**

6The 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.
7The cow will feed with the bear,
    their young will lie down together,
    and the lion will eat straw like the ox.
8The infant will play near the cobra’s den,
    and the young child will put its hand into the viper’s nest.
9They 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.

* *Sometimes it is only after the prophecy is fulfilled that we fully understand it.*
* *The vision of Isaiah now: We are seeing the New Earth because this is clearly not the earth that we live on today.*

**Isaiah 65:17**

**New Heavens and a New Earth**

17“See, I will create
    new heavens and a new earth.
The former things will not be remembered,
    nor will they come to mind.

**Revelation 21:3-5**

3And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. 4‘He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death’ or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.”

5He who was seated on the throne said, “I am making everything new!” Then he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.”

**Isaiah 12:1-6**

### Songs of Praise

12 In that day you will say:

“I will praise you, Lord.
    Although you were angry with me,
your anger has turned away
    and you have comforted me.
2Surely God is my salvation;
    I will trust and not be afraid.
The Lord, the Lord himself, is my strength and my defense;
    he has become my salvation.”
3With joy you will draw water
    from the wells of salvation.

4In that day you will say:

“Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name;
    make known among the nations what he has done,
    and proclaim that his name is exalted.
5Sing to the Lord, for he has done glorious things;
    let this be known to all the world.
6Shout aloud and sing for joy, people of Zion,
    for great is the Holy One of Israel among you.”

* *God is angry with the proud and arrogant spirit. He loves us. But, He’s angry because that proud and arrogant spirit could cause our eternal ruin.*