

The King of God's Kingdom

ISAIAH 9:1-7

The Hope of Israel Described

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Israel's Hope for the Future

- God would turn their gloom to glory – 9:1
- God would dispel the darkness and shadow of death with the light of His salvation – 9:2; Matt. 4:15-16
- God would bring growth and joy to the nation – 9:3
 - God would shine His light on the Gentiles – Isa. 42:6
 - Great joy as in harvest or as conquerors dividing the spoils of war would follow!

The Hope of Israel Explained

ISAIAH 9:4-7

Israel's Hope Would Be Realized Because...

- God will **deliver the oppressed from bondage** – Isa. 9:4-5
 - He takes away the burden suffered and delivers from the one causing the suffering – Jn. 8:31-32, 34-35
 - This deliverance would be like that from Midian—by God's hand alone – Titus 3:4-7
 - Through this deliverance all would experience the fruits of victory – 9:5
- A **Child, a Son**, is given to us by God – Isa. 9:6
 - This male child born of human parents would be Immanuel—God with us – Isa. 7:14
 - The government of God's kingdom would be on His shoulders, ruling God's kingdom

Israel's Hope Would be Realized In God's King

- The nature and character of this child, God's king, was revealed in the names he would be called – 9:6
- He rules as **Wonderful Counselor**
 - Wonderful – amazing, supernatural, wondrous, beyond comprehension
 - Wonderful Counselor – a Wonder of a Counselor, providing supernaturally wise counsel – Col. 2:3
- His person and power is that of the **Mighty God**
 - The O.T. looked for a divine Messiah, one identified with the Godhead in deity, power, and righteousness.
 - As God's king sharing these divine traits, we can trust in Christ's promises – Jn. 1:1

Israel's Hope Would Be Realized In God's King

- His relationship with his subjects is that of our **Everlasting Father**
 - Christ is not a created being, but shares the eternal nature of God – Jn. 1:2; Col. 1:16
 - Ruling as a Father means ruling with loving concern, care, and discipline for His subjects – Psa. 103:13-14; Prov. 3:11-12
- He rules His kingdom as the **Prince of Peace**
 - He conquers the world with peace (harmony, prosperity, well-being, health, completeness, safety – *MED*) – Zech. 9:10; Eph. 2:17-18; Rom. 10:14-15
 - He administers the benefits of peace to His subject – Phil. 4:6-7

Israel's Hope Would Be Realized In God's King

- There is no end to His kingdom's **growth and peace!** – 9:7: Micah 5:4-5
- His kingdom is established on the **throne of David** – Acts 2:29-35
- His kingdom is established in **justice and righteousness forever!**
- God **zeal** for them would do this!

Conclusion

- As Christians we have confident trust in God because we know all of this has been accomplished!
- So I encourage you as a citizen of God's kingdom and servants of Christ to know your King! It will truly change your life!
- Why not be saved today and live with Christ as your king as a member of His kingdom?