

# Jesus Christ in the Old Testament

## (Part 15 – The Promised Birth of the Messiah)

(Daniel 9:25; Micah 5:2; Isaiah 7:14, 9:6-7)

### I. God Predicted WHEN the Messiah would be in the world:

**483 YEARS** after Artaxerxes' decree to rebuild Jerusalem (Dan.9:25; Neh.2:5)

*Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks (sevens), and threescore and two weeks (sevens)...*       $7 \cdot 7\text{'s} = 49$        $62 \cdot 7\text{'s} = 434$        $49 + 434 = 483$  years

### II. God Predicted WHERE the Messiah would be born:

**BETHLEHEM** (Micah 5:2)

*But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting. Micah 5:2*

### III. God Predicted HOW the Messiah would be born:

**Of a VIRGIN** (Is.7:14; Mt.1:23)

*Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. Isaiah 7:14*

### IV. God Predicted WHY the Messiah would be born:

**To RULE and REIGN** as King upon the throne of David (Isaiah 9:6-7)

*For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this. Isaiah 9:6-7*

A. Jesus will reign as the "Wonderful Counsellor"

B. Jesus will reign as the "Mighty God"

C. Jesus will reign as the "Everlasting Father"

D. Jesus will reign as the "Prince of Peace"