

ISAIAH'S CHRISTMAS PROPHECY, PART 2

Isaiah 9:6-7

During Isaiah's lifetime, the covenant people of God were: 1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____ 4) _____

In Isaiah 9:2-5 the prophet promised a hope-filled future characterized by: 1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____

I. HIS NATURE

A. He Will Be _____ *"For unto us a Child is born"*

He was human in every sense: 9 months in the _____ ; human birth; grew in wisdom and stature

B. He Will Be _____ *"Unto us a Son is given"*

1) "Given" means that God the Son existed from eternity past, but the Father gave Him, _____ Him

2) He was 100% _____ as well as 100% man; we cannot explain this mystery; we can only believe it

C. He Will Come _____

1) The fact that God became Man for all eternity "is the proof of the _____ of God to men"

2) Only a being 100% Man & 100% God could: a) be a substitute for a human being to bear our _____

b) be _____ so that He didn't have to die for his own sins and be an infinite substitute for billions

II. HIS CHARACTER *"His name shall be called"*

A. Wonderful Counselor

1) A counselor, Satan, plunged our race into sin; only by heeding Jesus' counsel can we be _____

2) As the Supernatural Counselor, Jesus can give the _____ and strength to follow His good counsel

B. Mighty God

He shall be the _____ God—a Hero on the cross and a Hero to rescue Jerusalem at His 2nd Coming

C. Everlasting Father

How can the person called "a _____" at the beginning of v.6 be called "Father" in the next sentence?

1) Jesus is the Father of the Church; without Him the people of God would not exist: He laid the _____

2) Like old English kings were called "Sire" Jesus cares for His people like a father cares for his _____

D. Prince of Peace

1) Jesus the Messiah was of "the house and lineage of _____" and will fulfill God's promise to him

2) Jesus came to bring peace between God and man by His _____ on the cross to bear our sins

III. HIS KINGDOM 9:7

A. His Kingdom Shall _____

1) Dan.2 pictures His kingdom as a stone that smashes all human kingdoms & becomes a _____

2) Dan.2 suggests His kingdom begins with the _____ Empire & increases today as men are saved

B. His Kingdom Shall Be Without _____

1) Jesus will reign on earth on the throne of David for _____ yrs; this is not the final state of the kingdom

2) 1 Cor.15:24 describes the final state of this kingdom: Jesus will deliver the kingdom to _____

C. His Kingdom Shall Be Established with Judgment and _____

We must distinguish between current calls for "social justice" and what the Bible calls _____