~ISAIAH, BOOK OF (1379)

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- The book of Isaiah outstandingly magnifies Yehowah as, the Holy One of Israel, applying this expression to him a total of 25 times. Also, it points with unmistakable clarity to the Messiah, or Anointed One, of Yehowah through whom deliverance would come to the people of God.
- The very first verse of the book of Isaiah identifies its contents as, the vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz that he visioned concerning Judah and Jerusalem.
- So, although the book contains prophetic utterances concerning many nations, they are not to be viewed as a collection of disconnected pronouncements concerning these nations. Rather, these are a series of prophecies that had a direct effect on Judah and Jerusalem.

·· Historical Background

- The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz that he visioned concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. (Isaiah 1:1)
- Informs us that Isaiah visioned these things in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. This was a period of severe international tension and one in which false religious attitudes had a profound effect on the people of Judah.
- Near the beginning of **Isaiah's** career King Uzziah died a leper because of his presumptuousness in taking over priestly duties.
- However, as soon as he was strong, his heart became haughty even to the point of causing ruin, so that he acted unfaithfully against Yehowah his God and came into the temple of Yehowah

to burn incense upon the altar of incense. (2 Chronicles 26:16)

- But Uzziah became enraged while in his hand there was a censer for burning incense, and, during his rage against the priests, leprosy itself flashed up in his forehead before the priests in the house of Yehowah beside the altar of incense. (2 Chronicles 26:19)
- When Azariah the chief priest and all the priests turned toward him, why, there he was stricken with leprosy in his forehead! So they excitedly began to remove him from there, and he himself also hastened to go out, because Yehowah had smitten him. (2 Chronicles 26:20)
- And Uzziah the king continued to be a leper until the day of his death, and he kept dwelling in a house exempt from duties, as a leper, for he had been severed from the house of Yehowah, while Jotham his son was over the king's house, judging the people of the land. (2 Chronicles 26:21)
- It is reported that during the reign of Uzziah's son Jotham, while the king did what was right, the people were yet acting ruinously.
- And he kept doing what was right in Yehowah's eyes, according to all that Uzziah his father had done. Only he did not invade the temple of Yehowah. However, the people were yet acting ruinously. (2 Chronicles 27:2)
- And he continued to do what was right in Yehowah's eyes.

 According to all that Uzziah his father had done, he did. (2 Kings 15:34)
- Next came King Ahaz, who for 16 years set a bad example for the nation, carrying on Baal worship with its rites of human sacrifice.
 There was great unfaithfulness toward Yehowah.
- Twenty years old was Ahaz when he began to reign, and for sixteen years he reigned in Jerusalem, and he did not do what was right in Yehowah's eyes like David his forefather. (2 Chronicles 28:1)
- But he walked in the ways of the kings of Israel, and even molten statues he made of the Baals. (2 Chronicles 28:2)

- And he himself made sacrificial smoke in the valley of the son of Hinnom and proceeded to burn up his sons in the fire, according to the detestable things of the nations that Yehowah had driven out from before the sons of Israel. (2 Chronicles 28:3)
- And he regularly sacrificed and made sacrificial smoke on the high places and upon the hills and under every sort of luxuriant tree. (2 Chronicles 28:4)
- For Yehowah humbled Judah on account of Ahaz the king of Israel, because he let unrestraint grow in Judah, and there was an acting with great unfaithfulness toward Yehowah. (2 Chronicles 28:19)
- It was at this time that the allied kings of Syria and Israel besieged Jerusalem so that Ahaz, ignoring the counsel of Isaiah the prophet, sent to Tiglath-pileser III, the king of Assyria, for military assistance.
- It was then that Rezin the king of Syria and Pekah the son of Remaliah the king of Israel proceeded to come up against Jerusalem in war and laid siege against Ahaz, but they were not able to fight. (2 Kings 16:5)
- At that time Rezin the king of Syria restored Elath to Edom, after which he cleared out the Jews from Elath, and the Edomites, for their part, entered Elath and kept dwelling there down to this day. (2 Kings 16:6)
- So Ahaz sent messengers to Tiglath-pileser the king of Assyria, saying; I am your servant and your son. Come up and save me out of the palm of the king of Syria and out of the palm of the king of Israel, who are rising up against me. (2 Kings 16:7)
- Accordingly Ahaz took the silver and the gold that was to be found at the house of Yehowah and in the treasures of the king's house and sent the king of Assyria a bribe. (2 Kings 16:8)
- Now it came about in the days of Ahaz the son of Jotham the son of Uzziah, the king of Judah, that Rezin the king of Syria and Pekah the son of Remaliah, the king of Israel, came up to Jerusalem for war against it, and he proved unable to war against it. (Isaiah 7:1)

- And a report was made to the house of David, saying; Syria has leaned upon Ephraim. And his heart and the heart of his people began to quiver, like the quivering of the trees of the forest because of a wind. (Isaiah 7:2)
- And Yehowah proceeded to say to Isaiah; Go out, please, to meet Ahaz, you and Shear-jashub your son, to the end of the conduit of the upper pool by the highway of the laundryman's field. (Isaiah 7:3)
- And you must say to him; Watch yourself and keep undisturbed. Do not be afraid, and do not let your heart itself be timid because of the two tail ends of these smoking logs, because of the hot anger of Rezin and Syria and the son of Remaliah. (Isaiah 7:4)
- For the reason that Syria with Ephraim and the son of Remaliah has advised what is bad against you, saying; (Isaiah 7:5)
- Let us go up against Judah and tear it apart and by breakthroughs take it for ourselves, and let us make another king reign inside it, the son of Tabeel. (Isaiah 7:6)
- This is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said; It will not stand, neither will it take place. (Isaiah 7:7)
- For the head of Syria is Damascus, and the head of Damascus is Rezin, and within just sixty-five years Ephraim will be shattered to pieces so as not to be a people. (Isaiah 7:8)
- And the head of Ephraim is Samaria, and the head of Samaria is the son of Remaliah. Unless you people have faith, you will in that case not be of long duration. (Isaiah 7:9)
- And Yehowah went on speaking some more to Ahaz, saying;(Isaiah 7:10)
- Ask for yourself a sign from Yehowah your God, making it as deep as Sheol or making it high as the upper regions. (Isaiah 7:11)
- But Ahaz said; I shall not ask, neither shall I put Yehowah to the test. (Isaiah 7:12)

- By this Ahaz made flesh his arm, his heart turning away from Yehowah.
- This is what Yehowah has said; Cursed is the able-bodied man who puts his trust in earthling man and actually makes flesh his arm, and whose heart turns away from Yehowah himself.

 (Jeremiah 17:5)
- Assyria agreed to an alliance, but, of course, was interested mainly in expanding its own power. The Assyrian army captured Damascus of Syria and apparently took into exile those inhabitants of religiously apostate Israel that lived East of the Jordan.
- Consequently the God of Israel stirred up the spirit of Pul the king of Assyria even the spirit of Tilgath-pilneser the king of Assyria, so that he took into exile those of the Reubenites and of the Gadites and of the half tribe of Manasseh and brought them to Halah and Habor and Hara and the river Gozan to continue until this day. (1 Chronicles 5:26)
- Later, when Samaria failed to pay tribute, it too was besieged and its inhabitants were deported.
- At that the king of Assyria listened to him and the king of Assyria went up to Damascus and captured it and led its people into exile at Kir, and Rezin he put to death. (2 Kings 16:9)
- However, the king of Assyria got to find conspiracy in Hoshea's case, in that he had sent messengers to So the king of Egypt and did not bring the tribute up to the king of Assyria as in former years. Hence the king of Assyria shut him up and kept him bound in the house of detention. (2 Kings 17:4)
- And the king of Assyria proceeded to come up against all the land and to come up to Samaria and lay siege against it for three years. (2 Kings 17:5)
- In the ninth year of Hoshea, the king of Assyria captured Samaria and then led Israel into exile in Assyria and kept them dwelling in Halah and in Habor at the river Gozan and in the cities of the Medes. (2 Kings 17:6)
- And it came about in the fourth year of King Hezekiah, that is, the seventh year of Hoshea the son of Elah the king of Israel,

- that Shalmaneser the king of Assyria came up against Samaria and began to lay siege to it. (2 Kings 18:9)
- And they got to capture it at the end of three years, in the sixth year of Hezekiah, that is, the ninth year of Hoshea the king of Israel, Samaria was captured. (2 Kings 18:10)
- After that the king of Assyria took Israel into exile in Assyria and set them down in Halah and in Habor at the river Gozan and in the cities of the Medes. (2 Kings 18:11)
- Over the fact that they had not listened to the voice of Yehowah their God, but kept overstepping his covenant, even all that Moses the servant of Yehowah had commanded. They neither listened nor performed. (2 Kings 18:12)
- This ended the ten-tribe kingdom and left Judah surrounded on all sides by Gentile nations. Later Assyrian rulers kept up military operations in the West, assaulting cities of Judah and of surrounding nations.
- Sennacherib even demanded the capitulation of Jerusalem itself. But under the kingship of Hezekiah the situation there had changed. Hezekiah trusted in Yehowah, and Yehowah proved to be with him.
- In Yehowah the God of Israel he trusted, and after him there proved to be no one like him among all the kings of Judah, even those who had happened to be prior to him. (2 Kings 18:5)
- And he kept sticking to Yehowah. He did not turn aside from following him, but he continued keeping his commandments that Yehowah had commanded Moses. (2 Kings 18:6)
- And Yehowah proved to be with him. Wherever he would go out, he would act prudently, and he proceeded to rebel against the king of Assyria and did not serve him. (2 Kings 18:7)
- See Also (Isaiah Chapters 36,37)
- Isaiah undertook his service as a prophet during the reign of Uzziah, who began to rule in 829 B.C.E, and he continued as such into the time of Hezekiah's reign, which concluded by about 717 B.C.E.

- (Isaiah 6:1), refers to, the year that King Uzziah died, circa 778 B.C.E. as the time when Isaiah received the commission from Yehowah that is recorded in that chapter, though it may be that he had recorded the preceding information before that.
- Then in (Isaiah 36:1), reference is made to the fourteenth year of King Hezekiah, 732 B.C.E, when Sennacherib sent an army against Jerusalem and was turned back.
- In addition to giving the account of the threatened siege and the delivery of Jerusalem, Isaiah tells of Sennacherib's return to Nineveh and his assassination.
- And the angel of Yehowah proceeded to go forth and strike down a hundred and eighty-five thousand in the camp of the Assyrians. When people rose up early in the morning, why, there all of them were dead carcasses. (Isaiah 37:36)
- Hence Sennacherib the king of Assyria pulled away and went and returned and took up dwelling in Nineveh. (Isaiah 37:37)
- And it came about that as he was bowing down at the house of Nisroch his god, Adrammelech and Sharezer, his own sons, struck him down with the sword, and they themselves escaped to the land of Ararat. And Esar-haddon his son began to reign in place of him. (Isaiah 37:38)
- If this bit of historical information was written by Isaiah and was not an insertion by a later hand, it may show that Isaiah prophesied for some time after Hezekiah's 14th year.
- The Assyrian and Babylonian chronological records, though their reliability is questionable, seem to indicate that Sennacherib ruled some 20 years after his campaign against Jerusalem. Jewish tradition, which can also be unreliable, says that Isaiah was sawn asunder at King Manasseh's order. Whether Paul has reference to this at;
- They were stoned, they were tried, they were sawn asunder, they died by slaughter with the sword, they went about in sheepskins, in goatskins, while they were in want, in tribulation, under ill-treatment. (Hebrews 11:37)
- As some believe, has not been proved.

- The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz that he visioned concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. (Isaiah 1:1)
- There are also a few other references that help to date the contents of specific portions of the book of Isaiah. For example. (Isaiah 7:1) says that Pekah the king of Israel came against Jerusalem to war in the days of King Ahaz.
- · Although Ahaz ruled from 761 B.C.E. to 746 B.C.E, Pekah's kingship ended by about 758 B.C.E., so the incident must have occurred before that year. Further,
- In the year that King Ahaz died this pronouncement occurred: (Isaiah 14:28)
- Dates a pronouncement concerning Philistia in the year that King Ahaz died, which would be 746 B.C.E. These references assist in fixing the events in the book of Isaiah in the stream of time.

.. Unity Of Writership

- Certain Bible critics in modern times have contended that the book of Isaiah was not all written by Isaiah. Some claim that (Isaiah Chapters 40 through 66) were written by an unidentified person who lived about the time of the end of the Jews Babylonian exile.
- Other critics pare off additional portions of the book, theorizing that someone other than Isaiah must have written them. But the Bible itself does not agree with these contentions.
- Inspired writers of the Christian Greek Scriptures credited both the material now designated (Isaiah Chapters 1-39, 40-66) to Isaiah the prophet.
- They never intimated that there were two persons who bore this name or that the name of the writer of part of the book was unknown.
- This, in fact, is the one spoken of through Isaiah the prophet in these words; Listen! Someone is crying out in the wilderness, Prepare the way of Yehowah, you people! Make his roads straight. (Matthew 3:3)
- That there might be fulfilled what was spoken through Isaiah the

- prophet, saying; (Matthew 4:14)
- O land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali, along the road of the sea, on the other side of the Jordan, Galilee of the nations! (Matthew 4:15)
- The people sitting in darkness saw a great light, and as for those sitting in a region of deathly shadow, light rose upon them.

 (Matthew 4:16)
- Listen! Someone is calling out in the wilderness; Clear up the way of Yehowah, you people! Make the highway for our God through the desert plain straight. (Isaiah 40:3)
- However, the obscureness will not be as when the land had stress, as at the former time when one treated with contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali and when at the later time one caused it to be honored, the way by the sea, in the region of the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. (Isaiah 9:1)
- The people that were walking in the darkness have seen a great light. As for those dwelling in the land of deep shadow, light itself has shone upon them. (Isaiah 9:2)
- So that the word of Isaiah the prophet was fulfilled which he said; Yehowah, who has put faith in the thing heard by us? And as for the arm of Yehowah, to whom has it been revealed? (John 12:38)
- The reason why they were not able to believe is that again Isaiah said. (John 12:39)
- He has blinded their eyes and he has made their hearts hard, that they should not see with their eyes and get the thought with their hearts and turn around and I should heal them. (John 12:40)
- Isaiah said these things because he saw his glory, and he spoke about him. (John 12:41)
- Who has put faith in the thing heard by us? And as for the arm of Yehowah, to whom has it been revealed? (Isaiah 53:1)
- In the year that King Uzziah died I, however, got to see

Yehowah, sitting on a throne lofty and lifted up, and his skirts were filling the temple. (Isaiah 6:1)

- Make the heart of this people unreceptive, and make their very ears unresponsive, and paste their very eyes together, that they may not see with their eyes and with their ears they may not hear, and that their own heart may not understand and that they may not actually turn back and get healing for themselves.

 (Isaiah 6:10)
- In addition to this, there are numerous other places where the Christian Greek Scripture writers specifically credit material quoted from the latter part of the book of Isaiah, not to an unidentified writer, but to, Isaiah the prophet.
- That there might be fulfilled what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet, who said. (Matthew 12:17)
- Look! My servant whom I chose, my beloved, whom my soul approved! I will put my spirit upon him, and what justice is he will make clear to the nations. (Matthew 12:18)
- He will not wrangle, nor cry aloud, nor will anyone hear his voice in the broad ways. (Matthew 12:19)
- No bruised reed will he crush, and no smoldering flaxen wick will he extinguish, until he sends out justice with success. (Matthew 12:20)
- Indeed, in his name nations will hope. (Matthew 12:21)
- Look! My servant, on whom I keep fast hold! My chosen one, whom my soul has approved! I have put my spirit in him. Justice to the nations is what he will bring forth. (Isaiah 42:1)
- He will not cry out or raise his voice, and in the street he will not let his voice be heard. (Isaiah 42:2)
- No crushed reed will he break, and as for a dim flaxen wick, he will not extinguish it. In trueness he will bring forth justice. (Isaiah 42:3)
- He will not grow dim nor be crushed until he sets justice in the earth itself, and for his Law the islands themselves will keep

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- Who has put faith in the thing heard by us? And as for the arm of Yehowah, to whom has it been revealed? (Isaiah 53:1)
- Jesus Christ himself, when he read from, the scroll of the prophet Isaiah, at the synagogue in Nazareth, was reading from.
- The spirit of the Sovereign Lord Yehowah is upon me, for the reason that Yehowah has anointed me to tell Good News to the meek ones. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to those taken captive and the wide opening of the eyes even to the prisoners. (Isaiah 61:1)
- To proclaim the year of goodwill on the part of Yehowah and the day of vengeance on the part of our God, to comfort all the mourning ones. (Isaiah 61:2)
- So the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed him, and he opened the scroll and found the place where it was written: (Luke 4:17)
- Yehowah's spirit is upon me, because he anointed me to declare Good News to the poor, he sent me forth to preach a release to the captives and a recovery of sight to the blind, to send the crushed ones away with a release. (Luke 4:18)
- To preach Yehowah's acceptable year. (Luke 4:19)
- Furthermore, the Dead Sea Scroll of Isaiah [IQIsa] believed to have been copied toward the end of the Second Century B.C.E, contains evidence that the copyist who penned it knew nothing of any supposed division in the prophecy at the close of (Isaiah Chapter 39)
- He began the (Isaiah Chapter 40) on the last line of the column of writing that contains (Isaiah Chapter 39).
- The entire book of Isaiah has been passed down through the centuries as a single work, not as two or more. The continuity from chapter 39 to chapter 40 is evident in what is recorded at;

- Look! Days are coming, and all that is in your own house and that your forefathers have stored up down to this day will actually be carried to Babylon. Nothing will be left, Yehowah has said. (Isaiah 39:6)
- And some of your own sons that will come forth from you, to whom you will become father, will themselves be taken and actually become court officials in the palace of the king of Babylon. (Isaiah 39:7)
- Which is an obvious transition to what follows.
- Those who would credit the book to more than one writer do not feel that it was possible for Isaiah to have foretold nearly two centuries in advance that a ruler named Cyrus would liberate the exiled Jews, consequently they speculate that this was written at a later time, at least after Cyrus began his conquests.
- The One saying of Cyrus; He is my shepherd, and all that I delight in he will completely carry out. Even in my saying of Jerusalem: She will be rebuilt. And of the temple: You will have your foundation laid. (Isaiah 44:28)
- This is what Yehowah has said to his anointed one, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have taken hold of, to subdue before him nations, so that I may ungird even the hips of kings, to open before him the two-leaved doors, so that even the gates will not be shut. (Isaiah 45:1)
- Before you I myself shall go, and the swells of land I shall straighten out. The copper doors I shall break in pieces, and the iron bars I shall cut down. (Isaiah 45:2)
- But they fail to grasp the import of this entire portion of the book, because the material specifically deals with foreknowledge, with the ability of God to tell in advance what would happen to his people.
- Nearly 200 years in advance this prophecy recorded the name of one not yet born who would conquer Babylon and liberate the Jews.
- Its fulfillment would definitely prove that it was of divine origin. It was not Isaiah's estimate of the future, but, as he himself wrote, this is what Yehowah has said.

- This is what Yehowah has said to his anointed one, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have taken hold of, to subdue before him nations, so that I may ungird even the hips of kings, to open before him the two-leaved doors, so that even the gates will not be shut. (Isaiah 45:1)
- Ascribing the writing of this portion of Isaiah to a writer in Cyrus time would still not solve the problem for the critics. Why not? Because this portion of the book also foretold in detail events in the earthly life and ministry of the Messiah, Jesus Christ things even farther in the future.
- The fulfillment of these prophecies seals the prophecy of Isaiah as divinely inspired and not a collection of the works of impostors.
- Those who deny that Isaiah wrote (Isaiah Chapters 40 through 66) usually, for like reasons, deny that he wrote (Isaiah Chapter 13), concerning the fall of Babylon.
- Yet (Isaiah Chapter 13) is introduced with the words; The pronouncement against Babylon that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw in vision. Obviously, this is the same, Isaiah the son of Amoz, whose name appears in the opening verse of;
- The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz that he visioned concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. (Isaiah 1:1)

• Interrelationships

- Isaiah's writings are extensively interwoven with many other parts of the Bible. A century or more after Isaiah's time, Jeremiah wrote the record found in the books of Kings, and it is interesting to observe that what is recorded at;
- And in the fourteenth year of King Hezekiah, Sennacherib the king of Assyria came up against all the fortified cities of Judah and proceeded to seize them. (2 Kings 18:13)
- At that Hezekiah said to Isaiah; The word of Yehowah that you have spoken is good. And he went on to say; Is it not so, if peace and truth themselves will continue in my own days? (2 Kings 20:19)

- Is essentially the same as that found in (Isaiah Chapters 36 to 39) Not only do other prophets cover matters similar to those considered by Isaiah but there are numerous specific references made to the writings of Isaiah themselves by other Bible writers.
- Among the most outstanding and most frequently quoted prophecies from the book of Isaiah are those foretelling details concerning the Messiah.
- · As shown in the accompanying chart, many of these are specifically quoted and applied by the inspired writers of the Christian Greek Scriptures.
- It is of interest to observe that Jesus Christ and his apostles quoted most frequently from Isaiah to make clear the identification of the Messiah.
- This is by no means the full extent to which other inspired Bible writers quoted from the prophecy of **Isaiah**, but it highlights some of the prophecies for which Isaiah is most widely noted.
- These prophecies, along with all the rest of the book, magnify Yehowah, the Holy One of Israel, as the One who provides this salvation for his people through his anointed Son.

" Highlights Of Isaiah

- Prophecies to stimulate Yehowah's servants to fear him, not the surrounding nations, and to look to him, the true God, for deliverance, with full confidence in his promises of salvation and restoration
- Directed to Judah and Jerusalem by Isaiah during the years
 leading up to Sennacherib's unsuccessful efforts against Jerusalem in
 732 B.C.E, and possibly some time afterward
- The guilt of Judah and Jerusalem, Isaiah's commission.
- The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz that he visioned concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. (Isaiah 1:1)

- Yehowah does not look favorably upon the sacrifices of people guilty of oppression, injustice, and bloodshed
- Though judgment is to be executed on faithless ones, in time the mountain of Yehowah's house will be exalted and many people will turn to him
- For Judah's disobedience, Yehowah to remove essentials for sustaining life, bread and water, and the basis for social stability.
- Arrogant women, decked out in finery, to be forced to wear the attire of captives.
- Israel, as a vineyard, has failed to produce fruits of justice and righteousness.
- Isaiah's lips are cleansed, he willingly responds to commission as prophet, to go to unresponsive people.
- Threatened enemy invasions and promise of relief.
- Now it came about in the days of Ahaz the son of Jotham the son of Uzziah, the king of Judah, that Rezin the king of Syria and Pekah the son of Remaliah, the king of Israel, came up to Jerusalem for war against it, and he proved unable to war against it. (Isaiah 7:1)
- Cry out shrilly and shout for joy, O you inhabitress of Zion, for great in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel. (Isaiah 12:6)
- Syro-Israelite effort to dethrone Ahaz to fail, confirmatory sign of Immanuel's birth given.
- Isaiah's son Maher-shalal-hash-baz to serve as sign that Damascus and Samaria will be ravaged by Assyria before the boy can say; My father! And My mother!
- Lasting relief to come by means of the Prince of Peace.
- Assyria, rod of Yehowah's anger, to be punished for insolence, Jerusalem to be delivered.
- Twig out of stump of Jesse to become a ruler having God's spirit, to rule in justice.

- Pronouncements of international desolations.
- The pronouncement against Babylon that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw in vision: (Isaiah 13:1)
- Yehowah. It will not be stored up, nor be laid up, because her hire will come to be for those dwelling before Yehowah, for eating to satisfaction and for elegant covering. (Isaiah 23:18)
- Babylon to be desolated, her king brought down to Sheol.
- Assyria's yoke to depart, Philistine root to die by famine, Moab to be desolated, and Damascus to be reduced to ruin.
- Egyptians and Ethiopians to be humiliated by Assyrians and taken into exile.
- Elam and Media to share in bringing about Babylon's fall.
- Tyre to be brought low, forgotten for 70 years.
- Forecast of salvation by Yehowah.
- Look! Yehowah is emptying the land and laying it waste, and he has twisted the face of it and scattered its inhabitants. (Isaiah 24:1)
- And the very ones redeemed by Yehowah will return and certainly come to Zion with a joyful cry, and rejoicing to time indefinite will be upon their head. To exultation and rejoicing they will attain, and grief and sighing must flee away. (Isaiah 35:10)
- Yehowah to make a great banquet for all peoples and to swallow up death forever.
- Salvation by Yehowah to be the subject of a song.
- A king to reign for righteousness, and princes to rule for justice, peace and security to time indefinite.
- **Edom to be desolated. Zion to rejoice over her own restoration.**

- Yehowah provides deliverance from Assyria, Babylonian exile foretold.
- Now it came about in the fourteenth year of King Hezekiah that Sennacherib the king of Assyria came up against all the fortified cities of Judah and proceeded to seize them. (Isaiah 36:1)
- At that Hezekiah said to Isaiah; The word of Yehowah that you have spoken is good. And he went on to say; Because peace and truth will continue in my own days. (Isaiah 39:8)
- Hezekiah shows treasures to Babylonian delegation, Isaiah announces coming exile to Babylon.
- Release from Babylon by the true God, restoration of Zion, Messiah to come.
- Comfort, comfort my people, says the God of you men. (Isaiah 40:1)
- And they will actually go forth and look upon the carcasses of the men that were transgressing against me, for the very worms upon them will not die and their fire itself will not be extinguished, and they must become something repulsive to all flesh. (Isaiah 66:24)
- Jerusalem to be restored by the All-Wise, All-Powerful Creator.
- Restoration of his people will vindicate Yehowah as the only God, the one who alone can foretell the future, to the shame of lifeless gods fashioned by men.
- Babylon's fall to Cyrus to pave way for rebuilding Jerusalem.
- Devastated Zion to be made like the garden of Yehowah.
- Yehowah's servant, the Messiah, to die for transgressions of others.
- Barren Zion to have many sons, and no weapon to succeed against her.

Yehowah invites his people to rejoice in creation of new heavens and new earth, but wicked transgressors have no share.

.. Some Prophecies Applying To Jesus Christ

- Therefore Yehowah himself will give you men a sign: Look! The maiden herself will actually become pregnant, and she is giving birth to a son, and she will certainly call his name Immanuel. (Isaiah 7:14)
- Born from a maiden.
- All this actually came about for that to be fulfilled which was spoken by Yehowah through his prophet, saying; (Matthew 1:22)
- Look! The virgin will become pregnant and will give birth to a son, and they will call his name Immanuel, which means, when translated, With Us Is God. (Matthew 1:23)
- For there has been a child born to us, there has been a son given to us, and the princely rule will come to be upon his shoulder.

 And his name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. (Isaiah 9:6)
- To the abundance of the princely rule and to peace there will be no end, upon the throne of David and upon his kingdom in order to establish it firmly and to sustain it by means of justice and by means of righteousness, from now on and to time indefinite. The very zeal of Yehowah of armies will do this. (Isaiah 9:7)
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- And there must go forth a twig out of the stump of Jesse, and out of his roots a sprout will be fruitful. (Isaiah 11:1)
- And upon him the spirit of Yehowah must settle down, the spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the spirit of counsel and of mightiness, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of Yehowah. (Isaiah 11:2)

- And there will be enjoyment by him in the fear of Yehowah. And he will not judge by any mere appearance to his eyes, nor reprove simply according to the thing heard by his ears. (Isaiah 11:3)
- And with righteousness he must judge the lowly ones, and with uprightness he must give reproof in behalf of the meek ones of the earth. And he must strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the spirit of his lips he will put the wicked one to death. (Isaiah 11:4)
- And righteousness must prove to be the belt of his hips, and faithfulness the belt of his loins. (Isaiah 11:5)
- And it must occur in that day that there will be the root of Jesse that will be standing up as a signal for the peoples. To him even the nations will turn inquiringly, and his resting-place must become glorious. (Isaiah 11:10)
- A virgin Offspring of David.
- This one will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and Yehowah God will give him the throne of David his father. (Luke 1:32)
- And he will rule as king over the house of Jacob forever, and there will be no end of his kingdom. (Luke 1:33)
- Son of Jesse.
- For I say that Christ actually became a minister of those who are circumcised in behalf of God's truthfulness, so as to verify the promises He made to their forefathers. (Romans 15:8)
- And again Isaiah says; There will be the root of Jesse, and there will be one arising to rule nations, on him nations will rest their hope. (Romans 15:12)
- Listen! Someone is calling out in the wilderness; Clear up the way of Yehowah, you people! Make the highway for our God through the desert plain straight. (Isaiah 40:3)
- Let every valley be raised up, and every mountain and hill be made low. And the knobby ground must become level land, and

the rugged ground a valley plain. (Isaiah 40:4)

- And the glory of Yehowah will certainly be revealed, and all flesh must see it together, for the very mouth of Yehowah has spoken it. (Isaiah 40:5)
- In connection with;
- In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea. (Matthew 3:1)
- Saying; Repent, for the kingdom of the heavens has drawn near. (Matthew 3:2)
- This, in fact, is the one spoken of through Isaiah the prophet in these words; Listen! Someone is crying out in the wilderness, Prepare the way of Yehowah, you people! Make his roads straight. (Matthew 3:3)
- The beginning of the Good News about Jesus Christ. (Mark 1:1)
- Just as it is written in Isaiah the prophet: Look! I am sending forth my messenger before your face, who will prepare your way. (Mark 1:2)
- Listen! Someone is crying out in the wilderness; Prepare the way of Yehowah, you people, make his roads straight. (Mark 1:3)
- John the baptizer turned up in the wilderness, preaching baptism in symbol of repentance for forgiveness of sins. (Mark 1:4)
- His coming, announcement was.
- So he came into all the country around the Jordan, preaching baptism in symbol of repentance for forgiveness of sins. (Luke 3:3)
- Just as it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet; Listen! Someone is crying out in the wilderness, Prepare the way of Yehowah, you people, make his roads straight. (Luke 3:4)
- Every gully must be filled up, and every mountain and hill leveled down, and the curves must become straight ways and the rough

places smooth ways. (Luke 3:5)

- And all flesh will see the saving means of God. (Luke 3:6)
- He said; I am a voice of someone crying out in the wilderness,
 Make the way of Yehowah straight, just as Isaiah the prophet said. (John 1:23)

· Galilee

- Look! My servant, on whom I keep fast hold! My chosen one, whom my soul has approved! I have put my spirit in him. Justice to the nations is what he will bring forth. (Isaiah 42:1)
- He will not cry out or raise his voice, and in the street he will not let his voice be heard. (Isaiah 42:2)
- No crushed reed will he break, and as for a dim flaxen wick, he will not extinguish it. In trueness he will bring forth justice. (Isaiah 42:3)
- He will not grow dim nor be crushed until he sets justice in the earth itself, and for his Law the islands themselves will keep waiting. (Isaiah 42:4)

Made God's justice

- And, look! A man with a withered hand! So they asked him; Is it lawful to cure on the Sabbath? That they might get an accusation against him. (Matthew 12:10)
- He said to them; Who will be the man among you that has one sheep and, if this falls into a pit on the Sabbath, will not get hold of it and lift it out? (Matthew 12:11)
- All considered, of how much more worth is a man than a sheep! So it is lawful to do a fine thing on the Sabbath. (Matthew 12:12)
- Then he said to the man; Stretch out your hand. And he stretched it out, and it was restored sound like the other hand. (Matthew 12:13)
- But the Pharisees went out and took counsel against him that they might destroy him. (Matthew 12:14)

- Having come to know this, Jesus withdrew from there. Many also followed him, and he cured them all. (Matthew 12:15)
- But he strictly charged them not to make him manifest. (Matthew 12:16)
- That there might be fulfilled what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet, who said. (Matthew 12:17)
- Look! My servant whom I chose, my beloved, whom my soul approved! I will put my spirit upon him, and what justice is he will make clear to the nations. (Matthew 12:18)
- He will not wrangle, nor cry aloud, nor will anyone hear his voice in the broad ways. (Matthew 12:19)
- No bruised reed will he crush, and no smoldering flaxen wick will he extinguish, until he sends out justice with success. (Matthew 12:20)
- Indeed, in his name nations will hope. (Matthew 12:21)
- Truly our sicknesses were what he himself carried, and as for our pains, he bore them. But we ourselves accounted him as plagued, stricken by God and afflicted. (Isaiah 53:4)
- But he was being pierced for our transgression, he was being crushed for our errors. The chastisement meant for our peace was upon him, and because of his wounds there has been a healing for us. (Isaiah 53:5)

Carried sicknesses of others

- But after it became evening, people brought him many demonpossessed persons, and he expelled the spirits with a word, and he cured all who were faring badly. (Matthew 8:16)
- That there might be fulfilled what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet, saying; He himself took our sicknesses and carried our diseases. (Matthew 8:17)
- He himself bore our sins in his own body upon the stake, in order, that we might be done with sins and live to righteousness. And,

by his stripes you were healed. (1 Peter 2:24)

Who has put faith in the thing heard by us? And as for the arm of Yehowah, to whom has it been revealed? (Isaiah 53:1)

Not believed in;

- But although he had performed so many signs before them, they were not putting faith in him. (John 12:37)
- So that the word of Isaiah the prophet was fulfilled which he said; Yehowah, who has put faith in the thing heard by us? And as for the arm of Yehowah, to whom has it been revealed? (John 12:38)
- For that reason I shall deal him a portion among the many, and it will be with the mighty ones that he will apportion the spoil, due to the fact that he poured out his soul to the very death, and it was with the transgressors that he was counted in, and he himself carried the very sin of many people, and for the transgressors he proceeded to interpose. (Isaiah 53:12)

Reckoned with lawless.

- For I tell you that this which is written must be accomplished in me, namely, And he was reckoned with lawless ones. For that which concerns me is having an accomplishment. (Luke 22:37)
- And he must become as a sacred place, but as a stone to strike against and as a rock over which to stumble to both the houses of Israel, as a trap and as a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem. (Isaiah 8:14)
- And many among them will be certain to stumble and to fall and be broken, and to be snared and caught. (Isaiah 8:15)
- For I tell you that this which is written must be accomplished in me, namely; And he was reckoned with lawless ones. For that which concerns me is having an accomplishment. (Luke 22:37)
- Therefore this is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said;
 Here I am laying as a foundation in Zion a stone, a tried stone,
 the precious corner of a sure foundation. No one exercising faith
 will get panicky. (Isaiah 28:16)

- Rejected, stone of stumbling
- For it is contained in Scripture: Look! I am laying in Zion a stone, chosen, a foundation cornerstone, precious, and no one exercising faith in it will by any means come to disappointment. (1 Peter 2:6)
- It is to you, therefore, that he is precious, because you are believers, but to those not believing, the identical stone that the builders rejected has become the head of the corner. (1 Peter 2:7)
- And, a stone of stumbling and a rock-mass of offense. These are stumbling because they are disobedient to the word. To this very end they were also appointed. (1 Peter 2:8)

·· Other Fulfilled Prophecies Of Isaiah Not Directly Referenced

- My back I gave to the strikers, and my cheeks to those plucking off the hair. My face I did not conceal from humiliating things and spit. (Isaiah 50:6)
- Insulted, slapped;
- Then they spit into his face and hit him with their fists. Others slapped him in the face. (Matthew 26:67)
- And some started to spit on him and to cover his whole face and hit him with their fists and say to him; Prophesy! And, slapping him in the face, the court attendants took him. (Mark 14:65)
- He was hard pressed, and he was letting himself be afflicted. Yet he would not open his mouth. He was being brought just like a sheep to the slaughtering. Like a ewe that before her shearers has become mute, he also would not open his mouth. (Isaiah 53:7)
- Quiet and uncomplaining before accusers.
- But, while he was being accused by the chief priests and older men, he made no answer. (Matthew 27:12)
- Then Pilate said to him; Do you not hear how many things they

are testifying against you? (Matthew 27:13)

- Yet he did not answer him, no, not a word, so that the governor wondered very much. (Matthew 27:14)
- but he was returning and was sitting in his chariot and reading aloud the prophet Isaiah. (Acts of Apostles 8:28)
- Now the passage of Scripture that he was reading aloud was this; As a sheep he was brought to the slaughter, and as a lamb that is voiceless before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. (Acts of Apostles 8:32)
- During his humiliation the judgment was taken away from him.
 Who will tell the details of his generation? Because his life is taken away from the earth. (Acts of Apostles 8:33)
- In answer the eunuch said to Philip; I beg you, About whom does the prophet say this? About himself or about some other man? (Acts of Apostles 8:34)
- Philip opened his mouth and, starting with this Scripture, he declared to him the Good News about Jesus. (Acts of Apostles 8:35)
- And he will make his burial place even with the wicked ones, and with the rich class in his death, despite the fact that he had done no violence and there was no deception in his mouth. (Isaiah 53:9)
- Buried in a rich man's tomb.
- Now as it was late in the afternoon, there came a rich man of Arimathea, named Joseph, who had also himself become a disciple of Jesus. (Matthew 27:57)
- This man went up to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded it to be given over. (Matthew 27:58)
- And Joseph took the body, wrapped it up in clean fine linen. (Matthew 27:59)
- And laid it in his new memorial tomb, which he had quarried in the rock-mass. And, after rolling a big stone to the door of the

memorial tomb, he left. (Matthew 27:60)

- Because of restraint and of judgment he was taken away, and who will concern himself even with the details of his generation? For he was severed from the land of the living ones. Because of the transgression of my people he had the stroke. (Isaiah 53:8)
- Because of the trouble of his soul he will see, he will be satisfied. By means of his knowledge the righteous one, my servant, will bring a righteous standing to many people, and their errors he himself will bear. (Isaiah 53:11)

Sacrificial death

He was delivered up for the sake of our trespasses and was raised up for the sake of declaring us righteous. (Romans 4:25)

.. Fulfilled Prophecies Of Isaiah Prior To The First Century C.E.

- And I will bring back again judges for you as at the first, and counselors for you as at the start. After this you will be called City of Righteousness, Faithful Town. (Isaiah 1:26)
- With justice Zion herself will be redeemed, and those returning of her, with righteousness. (Isaiah 1:27)
- And the crash of revolters and that of sinful ones will be at the same time, and those leaving Yehowah will come to their finish. (Isaiah 1:28)
- For they will be ashamed of the mighty trees that you people desired, and you will be abashed because of the gardens that you have chosen. (Isaiah 1:29)
- For you will become like a big tree the foliage of which is withering, and like a garden that has no water. (Isaiah 1:30)

Jerusalem destroyed, exile to Babylon

- Look! Yehowah is emptying the land and laying it waste, and he has twisted the face of it and scattered its inhabitants. (Isaiah 24:1)
- And it must come to be the same for the people as for the priest.

The same for the servant as for his master. The same for the maidservant as for her mistress. The same for the buyer as for the seller. The same for the lender as for the borrower. The same for the interest taker as for the one paying the interest. (Isaiah 24:2)

- Without fail the land will be emptied, and without fail it will be plundered, for Yehowah himself has spoken this word. (Isaiah 24:3)
- The land has gone to mourning, has faded away. The productive land has withered, has faded away. The high ones of the people of the land have withered. (Isaiah 24:4)
- And the very land has been polluted under its inhabitants, for they have bypassed the Laws, changed the regulation, broken the indefinitely lasting covenant. (Isaiah 24:5)
- That is why the curse itself has eaten up the land, and those inhabiting it are held guilty. That is why the inhabitants of the land have decreased in number, and very few mortal men have remained over. (Isaiah 24:6)
- Days are coming, and all that is in your own house and that your forefathers have stored up down to this day will actually be carried to Babylon. Nothing will be left, Yehowah has said. (Isaiah 39:6)
- And some of your own sons that will come forth from you, to whom you will become father, will themselves be taken and actually become court officials in the palace of the king of Babylon. (Isaiah 39:7)
- This is what Yehowah has said, the Repurchaser of you people, the Holy One of Israel; For your sakes I will send to Babylon and cause the bars of the prisons to come down, and the Chaldeans in the ships with whining cries on their part. (Isaiah 43:14)
- Release from exile, Jerusalem restored.
- The One making the word of his servant come true, and the One that carries out completely the counsel of his own messengers, the One saying of Jerusalem, She will be inhabited, and of the cities of Judah. They will be rebuilt, and her desolated places I

- shall raise up (Isaiah 44:26)
- The One saying to the watery deep; Be evaporated, and all your rivers I shall dry up. (Isaiah 44:27)
- The One saying of Cyrus, He is my shepherd, and all that I delight in he will completely carry out, even in my saying of Jerusalem, She will be rebuilt, and of the temple, You will have your foundation laid. (Isaiah 44:28)
- Cyrus an instrument used by Yehowah to accomplish this;
- The pronouncement of Tyre. Howl, you ships of Tarshish! For it has been despoiled from being a port, from being a place to enter in. From the land of Kittim it has been revealed to them. (Isaiah 23:1)
- Who is it that has given this counsel against Tyre, the bestower of crowns, whose merchants were princes, whose tradesmen were the honorable ones of the earth? (Isaiah 23:8)
- Look! The land of the Chaldeans. This is the people, Assyria did not prove to be the one, they founded her for the desert haunters. They have erected their siege towers, they have stripped bare her dwelling towers, one has set her as a crumbling ruin. (Isaiah 23:13)
- Howl, you ships of Tarshish, for your stronghold has been despoiled. (Isaiah 23:14)
- Mainland city of Tyre destroyed by Chaldeans under Nebuchadnezzar
- .. Larger Fulfillments Now And In The Future
- It is obvious, from a reading of the Bible, that many of Isaiah's prophecies have more than one fulfillment and that a great portion of the book is finding and is yet to find its final, major fulfillment. In the book of Revelation alone are many quotations or allusions to Isaiah's prophecies, some of which are here listed.
- And here, now, there is coming a war chariot of men, with a span of steeds! And he began to speak up and say; She has fallen! Babylon has fallen, and all the graven images of her gods he has

broken to the earth! (Isaiah 21:9)

" Babylon Has Fallen

- And he cried out with a strong voice, saying; She has fallen!
 Babylon the Great has fallen, and she has become a dwelling
 place of demons and a lurking place of every unclean exhalation
 and a lurking place of every unclean and hated bird! (Revelation
 18:2)
- Look! The Sovereign Lord Yehowah himself will come even as a strong one, and his arm will be ruling for him. Look! His reward is with him, and the wage he pays is before him. (Isaiah 40:10)
- Yehowah is coming with his reward.
- And the Sovereign Lord, Yehowah of armies, will call in that day for weeping and for mourning and for baldness and for girding on sackcloth. (Isaiah 22:12)
- Sit down silently and come into the darkness, O daughter of the Chaldeans, for you will not experience again that people call you Mistress of Kingdoms. (Isaiah 47:5)
- And you kept saying; To time indefinite I shall prove to be Mistress, forever. You did not take these things to your heart. You did not remember the finale of the matter. (Isaiah 47:7)
- And now hear this, you pleasure-given woman, the one sitting in security, the one saying in her heart; I am, and there is nobody else. I shall not sit as a widow, and I shall not know the loss of children. (Isaiah 47:8)
- But to you these two things will come suddenly, in one day, loss of children and widowhood. In their complete measure they must come upon you, for the abundance of your sorceries, for the full might of your spells, exceedingly. (Isaiah 47:9)
- Babylon, a harlot.
- And one of the seven angels that had the seven bowls came and spoke with me, saying; Come, I will show you the judgment upon the great harlot who sits on many waters. (Revelation 17:1)

- With whom the kings of the earth committed fornication, whereas those who inhabit the earth were made drunk with the wine of her fornication. (Revelation 17:2)
- And the woman whom you saw means the great city that has a kingdom over the kings of the earth. (Revelation 17:18)
- Mistress of kingdoms.
- To the extent that she glorified herself and lived in shameless luxury, to that extent give her torment and mourning. For in her heart she keeps saying; I sit a queen, and I am no widow, and I shall never see mourning. (Revelation 18:7)
- Go forth, you people, out of Babylon! Run away from the Chaldeans. Tell forth even with the sound of a joyful cry, cause this to be heard. Make it to go forth to the extremity of the earth. say; Yehowah has repurchased his servant Jacob. (Isaiah 48:20)
- God's people commanded to, Get Out of Her!
- And I heard another voice out of heaven say; Get out of her, my people, if you do not want to share with her in her sins, and if you do not want to receive part of her plagues. (Revelation 18:4)
- New Jerusalem likened to,
- And having the glory of God. Its radiance was like a most precious stone, as a jasper stone shining crystal-clear. (Revelation 21:11)
- And the nations will walk by means of its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. (Revelation 21:24)
- And its gates will not be closed at all by day, for night will not exist there. (Revelation 21:25)
- And they will bring the glory and the honor of the nations into it. (Revelation 21:26)
- For just as the new heavens and the new earth that I am making are standing before me, is the utterance of Yehowah, so the

offspring of you people and the name of you people will keep standing.

- Yehowah creates new heaven and new earth.
- And I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the former heaven and the former earth had passed away, and the sea is no more. (Revelation 21:1)
- ' (Isaiah 37:24) through to (Isaiah 40:2) as it appears in the Dead Sea Scroll. What is now numbered (Isaiah Chapter 40) is here shown beginning on the last line of the column in which (Isaiah Chapter 39) concludes.