

(Christ in Isaiah) Part 1

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Tom Orr explores the profound connections between the Book of Isaiah and the New Testament, emphasizing the centrality of Christ and the work of the Holy Spirit in revelation.

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Description

In this sermon, the speaker begins by discussing the importance of the introduction to their study on Christ. They reference the opening of the New Testament with John the Baptist as the voice in the wilderness, and the end of Isaiah with the call to go for the Lord. The speaker emphasizes that it is more important to focus on who we are rather than what we do. They also mention the conversation between the three persons of the Trinity, highlighting the response of 'Here am I, send me.' The speaker then talks about filling the gaps in our lives with God's presence and concludes by referencing a passage in the Bible describing heavenly beings in the presence of God.

Transcript

Thank you very much Tommy, thank you. It's nice to look down and see all the pages that are there that I was so familiar with for the six years that I was in Bible classes with you here in this very building, in this very hall. I was just reflecting, you know how your thoughts can be just in a moment or two and I was reflecting just today some of the classes we have had and I think I could say in all honesty, possibly some of the best Bible classes I've ever had in all my ministry have been with you here in Vancouver.

And I can say that in truth and honesty. There has always been a good class, there's always been great interest and of course that has to be appreciated. And I think back on some of the subjects we've covered, the tabernacle and the temple and the high priest garments and the wilderness journeys and we have covered creation and we covered Daniel and Philippians and Esther and Nehemiah and I don't know where we didn't cover them all here.

Now it's lovely to look back on that and to have the privilege of opening up the web with you on the Monday night. I appreciate very much the prayer backing and prayer support because I understand that you privately and collectively remember me in prayer. The Lord is giving many opportunities on Wednesday nights, I'm in Wrath Island this month for their Bible class and prayer meeting and on Thursday nights I'm in Emanuel Church, Lisburn, the other side of Lisburn there at the Glenavy Road for

the Bible class there.

No, there's a separate Bible class. So there will be three Bible classes this week, so that will be enough to keep me out of trouble and to keep me out from beneath my right feet. You say that's the problem when men retire, the women can't get them out from under their feet.

Well my wife has no problem with that at all and it's nice to know that it's that way. Nice to be with you, thank you. Now can we have a short reading of Scripture? And I want to turn to John's Gospel and chapter 12, John chapter 12 and reading from verse 37.

This will just be an introduction later in the first few chapters of the book of Isaiah. I understand it's been a little mixed up on the actual chapters you're to be in tonight in preparation. You remember I used to give you your homework.

Well you were supposed to be in chapters 1 to 11. So how are you going to get into it now? You will just have to pull up later and come back on. But this is for introduction here.

John chapter 12 and we come to verse 37. But though he hath done so many miracles before them, yet they believed not on him, that the saying of Isaiah the prophet might be fulfilled which he spake, Lord, to whom hath believed our report? And to whom hath the arm of the Lord been revealed? That's the great fifty-third of Isaiah of course. Therefore they could not believe because that Isaiah said again, He hath blinded their eyes and hardened their heart, that they should not see what their eyes not understand what their hearts and be converted, and I should heal them.

And so he makes reference to Isaiah again. These things said Isaiah when he saw his glory and spake of him. Now the question is there, when did he see his glory? This was Christ.

And where did he speak of him? Well we come back to that. That's been a hard to turn. We have another hymn to get here.

It helps us all to settle down. Some of you have come out of the busy world. And we turn to 206 in the book.

Number 206. Lord of the cross and shame set my cold heart aflame. 206.

O ye that know me, Christ is made. He is risen today. For me, now and eternally.

We are taking part in the book of Isaiah. And in order to do that, I have to go. The introductions are important.

It's a kind of run. Bringing the introduction to you tonight. I'm taking you back to one Sunday morning.

A few years ago. Whenever I mention this, I think of the Lord's table. To some of you, it will be familiar.

To others, it may be quite new. But I want to do that because it will form the basis for our study. And those of you who can recall this will remember that I said that Isaiah is not only a book within the Bible.

Isaiah is a Bible within the book. That is, a Bible within itself. That is, Isaiah is really the Bible in nature.

Now, in order to see that afresh, for those who have already seen it, and others who may like, we open at the book of Isaiah. And I want to point out a number of very, very simple things. First of all, with your Bible

over there in the book of Isaiah, come over to the last chapter, please.

And you'll notice here that there are 66 chapters in the book of Isaiah. You notice that? Chapter 66 is the last chapter in the book. There are 66 chapters in the book of Isaiah, and there are 66 books in the Bible.

So here we have the first similarity between this book of the Bible and the whole of the Bible itself. 66 chapters in 66 books. Now, commentators and theologians, and I've looked at quite a number of them in this study, they all say that the book of Isaiah divides exactly into two halves, or into two parts.

And of course we know that when we come to our Bible, it itself divides into two parts or two halves. We have the Old Testament, and we have the New Testament. So we have a second similarity between this book and the whole of the Bible.

When we come to the two halves, we discover this, that there are 39 chapters in the first half of Isaiah. So, the theologians tell us, and there are 39 books in the Old Testament. There you have a transition of evidence.

There are 27 chapters in the second half of Isaiah, and there are 27 books in the New Testament. So, you're seeing the similarities that are lying here between this one book and the whole of the Bible, the book of the Bible, Isaiah, a Bible in the New Testament. Now, open at the last half, which would be the equivalent of the New Testament, come to chapter 40, and see how it opens.

And for the sake of time, come down to verse 3. The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare thee the way of the Lord, Make straight in the desert thy way for our God. Who's that? Of course, we know. That's John the Baptist.

And how does the New Testament open? We come to Matthew's Gospel, and the first character we meet there is John the Baptist. The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness. That's how the New Testament opens, and that's how chapter 40, the last part of Isaiah, opens up.

Come now to the end of Isaiah, chapter 66, and see how it ends. And we come to verse 22. For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before me, saith the Lord, so shall your seed in your name remain.

And how does Isaiah 66 end? With new heavens and a new earth. And how does the New Testament end, the book of the Revelation? With new heavens and a new earth. See how perfect the similarities are.

Isaiah is the Bible in me. No, we haven't finished. We come to the center chapter of the latter part from 40 to 66, and of course, as we would expect, the center chapter is Isaiah chapter 53.

And I think that in itself is very wonderful, because chapter 53 is the great chapter of our Lord Jesus Christ's wounded for our sake. In other words, the chapter on the cross is a very central chapter of the latter part here, the equivalent of the New Testament. And come again, you'll notice verse 5 is the central verse.

Like a pre-older moment, there are 12 verses here, verse 5, 3, verse 5, etc. We haven't got the chapters right to write. Remember they weren't divided away to the 12th or 13th century AD.

Chapter 53 begins at the end of chapter 52-13. And so if you look in the last three verses with verse 1 in the next chapter, you'll find verse 5 is the central. And so the cross is the central there, and right at the

very heart is the cross and the cross' work of Jesus Christ.

What a lesson that has to teach us. What a message that has to bring to us. Now, as we look at chapter 53, I want you to notice one thing, and I'll tell you when it was pointed out to me.

I remember visiting an old lady. She was a private pastor to Dr. Henry Montgomery in the Shrine Commission on the Council Road there. I used to visit her years and years ago, and she pointed it out to me one day in visitation.

She had her Bible, chapter 53, marked of all the places where you had the word he, and the word his. Now look in and see for yourself. As that there verse proves, he shall grow up before him as an enderclass.

As a root out of a dry ground, he has formed no form of hominid, and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him. Now see, that verse is full of him. And if you come through that chapter, and I would ask you to do it for interest sake, see if you can find one verse of that whole chapter where Christ isn't mentioned.

As I understand that there's only one verse, and that is the very first verse, verse one. In other words, the whole chapter is full of him. It's all he, and his, and him, and him, and his, and he.

And that's the way every verse of that chapter, all of that one I've mentioned, as far as I know, I say again, Isaiah 53 is full of Christ. Now that has given me the title for our studies together on the Monday night, Christ in Isaiah. Because what we see here, when we shall see right throughout the whole of the book, that Isaiah is full of Christ.

Now let me mention this, and there will be one or two things I'm re-mentioning, not anything said over my years. I say this again, Isaiah saw more of Christ than any other man in the Old Testament. Now that to me is very wonderful, and I'm never saying that years ago, when I first thought, I said, Lord, I would come as your deeper man that saw more of Christ than any other man.

I would hope that. And here the Lord seems to say to me, well, open your Bible and the book of Isaiah, and you'll get what you're after. They come full of Christ.

As I was pondering that, I noticed another thing. Isaiah not only mentions Christ more than any other man, Isaiah also mentions the Holy Spirit more than any other man. We shall be looking at maybe 12 or 13 states of Christ through this book over the life to come, and at least that number of times and more, the Holy Spirit has gotten mentioned by Isaiah.

I came down the stairs from my study about 12 o'clock. My wife had run and called me for maybe her lunch, and as I was going down the stairs, I was pondering if there was a connection between the man that saw more of Christ than any other man, and the man that made more mention of the Holy Spirit than any other man. And you know, when I was walking down the stairs, I saw in a moment that there was a connection there.

That if Isaiah saw more of Christ, it's because he saw more of the Holy Spirit. But you say, how? You remember what Jesus said later? He shall take of the things of Christ. Who? The Holy Spirit.

And reveal them unto you. Reveal them. Isaiah could never see them as the Lord had revealed them unto him.

So there is a connection there. The man or woman that would see more of Christ than any other man or woman would only do by revelation. When the Spirit of God takes of the things of Christ.

Well, so far in our study, we're coming to this book. One little thing you can often hear when you're in the stairs. I was reading a great writer and preacher, I love for you, Dr. Jallet.

And Dr. Jallet tells the story, he says, of a certain tourist who was travelling through some of Scotland's lovely scenery. And was so drawn to his guidebook that he never saw the loveliness of the land. I wouldn't like that we should be so drawn to this guidebook that's before us tonight.

That we should never see the loveliness of Christ. In other words, Christ would act. And in the Shade of Joseph, by Arthur King, he mentions it, that he was the most Christ-like man in the Old Testament.

And he brought about a hundred likenesses between Joseph and Christ. Well, that's something to covet as well. But here's a man who saw more of Christ than any other man.

And you and I want to step at his feet. And I'm going to step along him. And through us, the four Greeks, by the Spirit of God alone, we will be full of Christ for the four days.

Well, let's come now to Isaiah chapter 6, where we begin. And we're following the words of John 12. Do you remember? He said these words to Isaiah when he saw his glory and spake of him.

And we're taking up those words. He saw his glory. And like that tonight, I'll outline for you exactly what Isaiah saw.

Now, first of all, number one, I see some of you in a number of you with pen and paper, and others with good memories. And so the first thing we take, number one, he saw the Father. He saw Christ as Father, as King, as Lord.

The very first vision we get that Isaiah got in chapter 6, he saw the Father. You say, preacher, where do you see that? Come down to the side, then shall thy woe with me, for I am unclean, because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips, for mine eyes have seen the King. The Lord of hosts, he saw the Father.

Chapter 6, the Father. And when we read in John 12 about the first day of Isaiah when he saw his glory, Isaiah was referring to chapter 6 particularly. Although we shall be using the word more broadly today as we go on, but he's referring to chapter 6. He saw his glory.

And he's King of kings. Now, we want to ask ourselves a question. How many of you want to leave us? Those of us who are familiar with chapter 6, and I think most of us are, will know it's a chapter where Isaiah comes to confession of sin and cleansing and consecration and call and commission and goes right out into his great life work and chapter 6 poses a major question for me.

I'm not sure whether you've ever asked it or not. The question is this. I would not have expected Isaiah chapter 6 to be where it is today.

I'll tell you where I would have put chapter 6. I would have put chapter 6 as chapter 1 because here you have the cleansing of a man, the calling of a man, the consecrating of a man, the commissioning of a man to go and stay here alive. And me, one would expect of that, the very first thing to be in the book, the man called, cleansed and commissioned. But it's not there.

Why's that? Well, that raises up the order here, the question of the order of the chapters. At my first thought, I put it in text to think a chapter 6 out of order. A lot has happened, of course.

But then when I had a second look, I discovered the order was right. It was perfect. And I'll tell you why.

You go over with me into chapter 1 and see what Isaiah sees first. It says here in chapter 1, he's speaking here to Israel. That's true here, oh heavens give ear to where the Lord has spoken.

I have nourished and brought up children. This is Isaiah. Our sinful nation.

Our people made with iniquity. That's enough. We don't need any more then.

What's Isaiah got here? He's got, first of all, a fight of sin. Our sinful nation made with iniquity. He's on a fight of sin.

What does he get when he comes to chapter 6? A fight of the Savior. So in chapter 1, he sees the sin. In chapter 6, he sees the Savior.

Now, if that is not the proper order, then I don't know what order it is. Because that's exactly how we all got. We first of all got a fight of sin.

And we got a fight of sin in general. And then when we got a good fight of sin, we got a fight of the Savior. And that's what Isaiah got here.

And that's the order. Our people without, in chapter 6, we could have not only a fight of sin, chapter 1, he got a fight of himself. War with me.

I am ungodly. The man of uncleanness. And when he's seen sin and seen himself, then he sees the Savior.

Oh, this beautiful order and the word of God. Now, we want to come here and concentrate on this. First of all, here.

I want you to notice here, first of all, the state. Chapter 6 we are. And I want you to notice the state here.

He says in verse 5, War with me, for I am undone. I am a man of uncleanness. And of the worst he sees is sin.

Now, Isaiah saw sin at that time. He saw it in a very poor way. Isaiah, verse 1, was the king that was smitten with leprosy because of his sin.

Of intruding into the priesthood, the office of the priest. Later he says, I'm in the midst of an unclean nation. So, the prophet was unclean, the nation was unclean, the king was unclean, everything was unclean.

And that's the state of things I desire to be. And then, he sees the state. He says in verse 1, I saw the Lord high and lifted up, and His train filled the temple.

I don't know who it is, I wasn't reading who it was, because one covers a lot of ground. But you see that wording, His train filled the temple. Now, it doesn't just say His train filled the holy place, the most holy, which would definitely be the place the Lord filled.

It says the temple, later it mentions the house. And that seems to broaden it out. And one day a writer has put it this way, from one end of the temple to the other, from the roof to the floor, from one wall to the other, from back to front to front to back, every inch of that temple was full of the Lord.

There was water down squirming in that building that the Lord didn't fill. Oh, what a picture. I tell you this, I had a long music band at my stadium last week or so.

And I said, Lord, I'm the temple now of the Holy Ghost. Do you fill every inch of my life as you filled every inch of that temple? Is every nook and cranny of my life filled with the Lord? Well, this is what the Lord wants to do. And am I going to allow the Lord to fill every nook and cranny of my life and I'm going to say, Lord, I'm going to fill it.

And I'm going to bear the consequences of it. Oh, just to let the Lord fill every nook and cranny of your life. Oh, that it could be.

You see, there was a gap here. It was the year that King Uzziah had died. And there was a great big gap where he had reigned for 50 years.

And from then the gap becomes on the line, you see, the great key. And there was a gap now. And in the year, there was a big gap came in Uzziah's life.

He called the Lord filling every inch. I wonder tonight, does the Word of God interest somebody? Has there been a big gap opened up in your life? Maybe somebody is lost. Maybe somebody is divorced.

Or whatever reason, someone has gone out of your life and there's a big gap there. Oh, that I could see and you could see tonight, the Lord coming in and filling every nook and cranny of that life. That's what he wanted to do.

And that is what happened here in the very first year that big gap opened up in Uzziah's life. And Uzziah particularly, he called the Lord and so do we tonight, as we're mentioned. I want you to see a further thing here.

I want you now to see the sermons. Have a little look at the sermons here. It says, and above the school of the sermons, each one had six wings.

With three he covered his face, with three he did fly, and with three he covered his feet. There were six, and they were in three sectors too. I haven't done the work of this.

It's already begun for me. I say, dear old Eddie Meyer, but he pointed out the use of the wings. There were two covering the face.

That spoke of reverence. There were two covering the feet. That spoke of humility.

There were two then for flying. That spoke of service. But here is where I come in.

Two thirds of the creature's wings were all to do with their person. One third was all that was left for service. In other words, in God's eyes, it was more important what they wear than what they did.

Two thirds taking up with what they wear. Only one third was their service. I said, Lord, and I do a lot of contesting when I'm studying.

I said, Lord, I'm the wrong way around. I've got it the wrong way round. Two thirds of me is given to service, and only one third of me to do with myself, with what I am.

Never do what I do. Can I emphasize that tonight, dear child, dear brother, dear sister? It's more important by two thirds what you are than what you do. They get the proportion right.

And two thirds of the importance is what I am. Then think of the weight that will give to this. You notice the church.

You notice the faith. And you notice the Savior there. Now, I want just to come one more thing here and not over labor you.

You'll notice here, he's all the self. Verse eight here. And I have the voice of the Lord saying, Who shall I send? And who will go for us? And can I just mention that in passing? Notice the little word us.

Is the Lord talking to himself? No. There's three persons. There's Trinity.

And this is the holy conversation within the Trinity. Who will go for us? And the response was, here am I, send me. Oh, dear friend, when you've seen this behavior and seen this offer like this, that's the only response you can give him.

Here am I. Send me. Take me back to about the year 1943 or forward when the call went out in Port Stewart Missionary Convention, Kent on a Friday evening or a Friday morning. Those were willing to consecrate their lives to Christ for church.

I stood up. My heart said, here am I. 17 years of age. I thought I was going straight to Peru.

And everything. But I want to rant this to you, friend. The Lord will call every man and woman that's saved by grace.

I will say to you and to me tonight, who will go for us? And you'll either go into all the world and preach the gospel, or else, as the Lord said to the demoniac Christian earlier, you'll go home. So the first thing we have then, he saw the sovereign, the king, in chaplaincy. Now come into chapter 7. And we come now for our second sight of Christ in our life.

And the second one, chapter 7. We come down here to verse 14. Therefore, the Lord himself shall give you a sign. Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son and shall call his name Emmanuel.

But an animal shall eat that he may know, or till he go, to refuse the evil and choose the good. But when you come to verse 14, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son immediately. And you'll find the word of man your life on to another vision of sight of Christ in Isaiah.

The second thing. Number one, he saw the sovereign. Chapter 6. Number two, he saw the sign.

In chapter 7. Verse 14. The Lord himself shall give you a sign. I want to hide in every word of that.

Maybe some of you are way ahead of me. Maybe you're looking for direction and guidance. Who's going to give you a sign? There's nobody else can give it to you but the Lord.

The Lord himself shall give you a sign. And I don't know how many times he's given me signs. And I dare say I don't know either many times he's given you signs.

But the second thing here he was, he saw the sign. Now in order to open that, I'll have to do a little, a little stage work. And so, we're trying to get the vantage of that.

Could I just fill it in for you here? The land of Judah was under attack or under threat at this time. There were two kings. He gets them in 1 and 2 and 3 at the beginning of the chapter.

There were two kings united against Judah. And Ahaz didn't just know where to turn and what to do. And the Lord came to him.

And he said, Ask! Verse 11. Ask! Ask a sign of the Lord. Thy God.

And he was told by God to ask for a sign. Now Ahaz refused the sign. At verse 12 he said, I will not ask, neither will I tempt the Lord.

And Ahaz went on in the pretense of humility. He wouldn't ask. Against the Lord's own advice, he wouldn't ask.

All right, says the Lord. You will not. But I'm going to give.

The Lord will give you a sign. And here's what. A virgin shall conceive.

A virgin shall. Well, you might ask, in what way could that have been assigned to Ahaz? That wasn't until 700 years later. Well, the simple answer.

It may have been at that time there was one who was a virgin then who did conceive and bear a son. But the main thing is this. That the Lord himself observed that he would give him a sign.

And it raises a multitude of thoughts. I want just to transport you out of your own environment for a moment and right into this and try and set yourself and see yourself. There are situations that arise in all our lives when we don't know where to turn and we don't know what to do and we don't know what is the right decision to make and yet something happens.

What should we do? Where should we turn? Well, here is the answer, I think, to it. The Lord said to Ahaz, Ask. Of course, that's the answer.

Ask. And it may be the Lord will allow you to ask a sign. I can look back on the years of my life I don't know that I ever asked for a sign.

But I can say this about schooling. Schooling. The other night, the other week or last month every, was I was travelling over from Carrick Fergus right over the town there before the M3 opened up and right along over up to Craigor right up to the other top of the Craigor and I was in all of it.

But the thought struck me on the day over. How do I ever get from Carrick Fergus to Craigor? How do I get over there? Why, there's a multitude of roads and streets and 5,000 roads and lanes leading off one direction and another. How can a man ever find his way to all that? And then the simple answer came.

Why, there's a multitude of signs, man. A multitude of signs. Turn left, turn right don't want to hear Covid text straight ahead the unappointed You couldn't go wrong.

To travel over Carrick Fergus to Craigor I couldn't go wrong because it's a fine road away. And friends, I hasten to add this tonight. On the road from earth to heaven there's a multitude of paths and bypasses

over a thousand roads.

My answer is I have asked tonight there are signs on the way. On the way. And as you and I are watching as we are looking we shall see signs saying no, you don't go there.

I guess pointing that way. I can see signs all the time. Maybe a sign that's saying how 30 miles an hour slow down, 30 miles an hour slow down, slow down you're going too fast.

And then other signs maybe parties you like 50, 60, whatever you want. But there they are. And I go down the public road and I'm able to find an exact and a multitude of signs.

Why do we not hear them? Because we're blind. We're not open. We're not sent.

We're not watched. We're not touched. Oh, to go through life like that.

The Lord said ask for a sign. He said no. The Lord said I'll give you a sign.

And then in answer to this man's no he gave the greatest sign that ever was given. A virtue shall proceed as their sign. And that was the greatest sign the Lord ever gave.

And then Isaiah 4 and 5 chapter 6 Isaiah 4 the sign a virtue shall proceed. Once you come to the 13th and 13 now we're into chapter 9 and we come to verses 6 and 7 another site of Christ in Isaiah chapter 9 here chapter 9 and we read here verse 6 For unto us a child is born unto us the son is given the government shall be upon his shoulders and his name shall be called wonderful counselor mighty God everlasting father the prince of peace of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end. What did he say here? Verse 6 Unto us a child is born unto us the son is given in chapter 9 he saw the son.

He saw the son. Well that draws us up. You remember how there was a bush that burned and yet wasn't burnt out but kept burning and here's another bush another kept and it has burned for years for some of us and yet it's never been seen new thing.

I want you to look in Are we with our Bibles now and with it?

First of all I want you to notice the scene do not get it unless you get the Bacchus notice the scene verse 22 of chapter 8 and they shall look upon the earth and behold trouble darkness dimness and anguish and they shall be driven to darkness that's the scene that's the Bacchus then with the darkness in 22 we see the dawn in verse 2 of chapter 9 the people that walked in darkness chapter 8 22 have seen a great light darkness is giving way to dawn but has not yet full day unto unto what the child is born unto what the son is given into the darkness and the dimness and the anguish of chapter 8 22 is born the sun in chapter 9 verse 2 oh we can see that can't we that we see the scene the setting the background the darkness the anguish and into this the sun Christ is born now we want us to

take up a few things here with this you'll notice the sun here and it says here unto what the child is born unto what the son is given the government his name shall be upon his shoulder and here's the little part his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor Mighty God Everlasting Father Prince of Peace and of the increase of his government and peace no less how much do you see in that I'm not taking up the separate names I remember doing that one Christmas year in Vancouver I'm not taking up the separate names what I'm doing is this I want to open up here it was opened up to me the expanses will end those I want to first of all his name shall be called Wonderful that takes me back to creation whenever he created this

wonderful world he was Wonderful Whenever he created sun, moon and

stars I come to the next word Redemption, Counselor and that brings me to Redemption so creation away back before the world born there emerges the Counselor and he's planning Redemption coming to the next one, Mighty God where did that take me now, that takes me into the Old Testament because right through the Old Testament God, God, the Mighty God the Lord of hope, the Lord of battle so on, so on, coming to the next one, Everlasting Father where are you now, that's the New Testament you don't meet with the Father much in the Old Testament excuse me come again the Prince of Peace where are you now going to the Millennium the Prince of Peace come again of the increase of this Government and Peace no end where even now you're backwards into eternity again so there is the whole expanse and

here is Christ the Son of God covering the whole expanse from eternity to eternity, wonderful in creation wonderful in Redemption as the Counselor plans wonderful in the Mighty God in the Old Testament the Everlasting Father in the New Testament, Prince of Peace on into the Millennium of this Peace no end, do you see what Christ, and what is seen here of our blessed Lord Jesus Christ He saw the vision of what is mighty God one little expression I'll underscore here when you notice it says right at the beginning it says it in verse 6 unto us the child is born unto us the Son is given in other words He must first of all have responsibility He must first of all take over responsibilities it must be all in His shoulders or it never be to you wonderful it never be to you a Counselor it never

be to you the Mighty God it never be to you the Everlasting Father it never be to you the Prince of Peace and never to you peace no end if the God of men does not first of all when He takes over when He gets the God of man one last thing and that should do tonight we're in chapter 11 and the next thing I want here we're into chapter 11 verses 1, 2 and 3 is all we can afford here in order to get chapter 11 1 I have to get chapter 10 33, 34 Behold the Lord the Lord of hosts shall lock the bow with terror and the high ones of stature shall be hewn down and the haughty shall be humbled and He shall cut down the thickets of the forest with iron and leaven and that is the seed of the leaven shall fall by a mighty one, do you see what He's cutting down all the trees that's actually all

signatures but notice the connection chapter 11 1 and there shall come forth a log out of the stem and a branch the other trees cut down the end of chapter 10 so this one springs up and will never cut down the stem out of the log again who is the person or who is the kingdom at the end of chapter 10 that was Assyria that was the mighty empire of Assyria and God said he's going to cut them down like a tiger like a tiger that's irreverent here, now I understand by a tiger once he's cut it down it never puts on shoes again, never it passes away it's gone in a stitch and God said of this empire of Assyria I'm going to cut it down like a cedar and it will pass away and it will never, and here's a branch that's going to spring up and it will never be cut down and never cut away this is the log

of the stem from Jericho this is Christ Isaiah not only for the father and the son of the son but it's on the shoot coming out I want you to have a little look at this I want you to notice here we're looking at the picture of the forest and the cutting down of Assyria but I want you to see here now the person of Christ particularly and it says, and the spirit of the Lord shall rest well, when do you see the spirit of the Lord resting that is Baptist do you remember how the spirit descended John was told the one you see the spirit descended and remaining on, that is him that's Isaiah it says the spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him now we want to come just here briefly on the six things that are mentioned about the Savior, let's read them the spirit of wisdom and understanding, that's

one we put the two together spirit of counsel and might, that's two we'll put them together, they're together and the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord and that's the third sentence now, you know the wrath of God ran ask yourself where in the life of Christ did I ever meet that and when in the life of Christ did I ever see those things ended today and you will need to recall here I think first of all the spirit of wisdom and the spirit of the spirit of wisdom and understanding where do you see that in Christ, when he was twelve years of age when he was in the temple you remember how the doctors were amazed when they heard him asking questions and giving events, the spirit of wisdom and understanding was resting on him a twelve years of age even before his baptism they can't

see what's full of those so you're in the temple come again, the next sentence says the spirit of counsel and of might or power where do you see that where are you now you're out of the temple twelve years of age you're into the wilderness at thirty years of age you remember how the devil came, and you remember how he ashamed him in every possible way but you remember that spirit of counsel was with Christ he knew how to deal with him and the spirit of might because Satan left him and Jesus returned and the power of the spirit the spirit of counsel and might was on him, come again the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord and where do you see that we're out of the temple we're through the wilderness we're all now, and we're into the garden of death and you remember in the garden

of death you remember how he was he was on the earth to pray but blind he knew the Father's will the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord because he submitted, so here you have Isaiah saw this clearly seven hundred years before the Christ came forth this truth, I want you just to notice a little thing here that we've got I want you to notice when this truth appears this brings a toll very precious to us it says here that the rod and the branch would go out of the stem and the stem is fairly well down and the branch will go out of its roots now the roots perhaps as low as you can get and remember this is Israel, this is the nation of Israel, Isaiah's talking about it, and what he's saying is here, when this branch appears the nation will be as low as it can get just as it had the

roots there, nothing more, nothing else, just as low as it can get and that's exactly how the nation was, they were all under the heel of the rod and the branch nationally, spiritually it was dead as death could be dead orthodoxy Christ's heritage of when the nation was ascending when does he come in your life, and when does he come to you is it not the same whenever you were at your low when you didn't know where or what Christ if he hadn't where would you be tonight gathering up the four things with you these things said Isaiah when he saw, he saw what did he say what did he say to him what did he say to the king he saw the sign chapter 6 he saw the sun chapter 9 which would be back again next Monday night Christ and Isaiah and we saw one there and we wanted to go through the next two

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