

The Son that Became King

“For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.”
Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever.

The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.”

Isaiah 9:6-7

Introduction:

1. God graciously led us to Isaiah 9, where He gave one of the most glorious prophecies of Jesus Christ.
2. Many have memorized the first of these two verses, loving the inspired names of our Lord and Savior.
3. But many have neglected and/or misunderstood the second verse that reveals matter beyond the first.
4. God loves His Son, and we want to know everything about Jesus Christ the Father wants us to know.
5. We will embrace the origin of Jesus, His rule, and His names by the first verse of this precious passage.
6. We note the present tense for the birth of this gift and then all future tenses for what He shall achieve.
7. We will rejoice in the kingdom of Jesus Christ and its glorious success by God setting it up (Dan 2:44).
8. God raised up a mighty Commander to rule the universe for our benefit (Isaiah 55:1-5; Eph 1:17-23).
9. We reject all Dispensational and Zionist lies that postpone our Lord’s kingdom for some Jewish utopia.
10. The context is a great light shining upon the area of Galilee after recovery from judgment (Isaiah 9:2).
11. For Isaiah 9 and its contextual details in verse-by-verse exposition ... <http://www.letgodbetruerue.com/pdf/isaiah-9.pdf>.
12. For simple slides of the subject text above ... <http://www.letgodbetruerue.com/pdf/jesus-our-king.pdf>.

Related Links:

1. *Five Kingdoms of the Bible (slides of Daniel 2 and 7)* ... <http://www.letgodbetruerue.com/pdf/five-kingdoms.pdf>.
2. *The Coronation of Jesus Christ* ... <http://www.letgodbetruerue.com/sermons/christ/coronation-of-jesus/sermon.php>.
3. *Jesus Christ in Glory (Revelation 5)* ... <http://www.letgodbetruerue.com/pdf/christ-in-glory.pdf>.
4. *He Is Altogether Lovely* ... <http://www.letgodbetruerue.com/pdf/he-is-altogether-lovely-2.pdf>.
5. *The Names of Jesus (a lengthy introduction)* ... <http://www.letgodbetruerue.com/pdf/names-of-jesus.pdf>.
6. *Psalm 45 (a love song about Jesus as king)* ... <http://www.letgodbetruerue.com/sermons/christ/psalm45/sermon.php>.
7. *Do You Know My King?* (short audio by S.M. Lockridge) ... <http://www.letgodbetruerue.com/bible/christ/christ.php>.
8. *For Isaiah 9 and its contextual details in verse-by-verse exposition* ... <http://www.letgodbetruerue.com/pdf/isaiah-9.pdf>.

For unto us a child is born.

- A. His people – His elect church – Israel of the O.T. and we of the N.T. – needed a Savior.
 1. We needed a deliverer to save from both natural and spiritual enemies of our souls.
 2. We needed light and truth to save us from lies and darkness that covered the earth.
 3. Such a glorious Prince and Witness burst forth in 26 A.D. in Galilee and vicinity.
 4. For Isaiah 9’s context by detailed exposition ... <http://www.letgodbetruerue.com/pdf/isaiah-9.pdf>.
- B. He was born. He had a beginning like all of us. He partook of our nature as a child born.
 1. His mother Mary was a virgin, without knowing a man, conceived by God’s power.
 2. His birth was personal and purposeful – for specified, named, written persons – us.
 3. We despise the paganism and RCC heresies of Christmas, but we do love His birth.
 4. He had a beginning, for He was a man (and also God), and it was recorded in 5 B.C.
- C. The future king of the universe began his life as an infant born of a woman like all men.
 1. He was the Seed of the woman turning Eve’s failure to victory (Ge 3:15; I Tim 2:15).
 2. He was at once both the promised Seed of Abraham and prophesied Son of David.

- D. *The Birth of Jesus Christ* ... <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/pdf/birth-of-jesus-christ.pdf>.
- E. *The Seed of the Woman* ... <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/sermons/christ/seed-of-the-woman/sermon.php>.
- F. *Saved in Childbearing (1 Timothy 2:15)* ... <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/pdf/saved-in-childbearing.pdf>.

Unto us a son is given.

- A. His origin and arrival were not by Himself or by us, for He was given by Almighty God.
 - 1. The Creator gave a gift to His chosen people; the gift proves His great love (Jn 3:16).
 - 2. Jehovah gave this gift of a Son for us ... we needed Him ... He would then save us.
- B. No one else would give any kind of son for you in the way God gave His Son as a gift.
 - 1. But God commended His love for us by giving His Son ... to die ... for His enemies.
 - 2. Angels declared this transcendent gift in private and public; they want to know more.
- C. He is ours – He was given to us – He was given for us – what we learn of Him is ours.
- D. *The Genealogy of Jesus Christ* ... <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/sermons/christ/genealogy-of-jesus/sermon.php>.
- E. *The Sonship of Jesus Christ* ... <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/bible/christ/sonship-of-christ.php>.
- F. *His Sonship Simplified (slides)* ... <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/pdf/sonship-simplified-slides.pdf>.

And the government shall be upon his shoulder.

- A. The Son given – Jesus our Lord – was born by eternal decree to take the throne of power.
 - 1. He was born to be King – He fully earned it and deserved it – but He was born to it.
 - 2. His mother was told about His future as king before she gave birth (Luke 1:32-33).
 - 3. He was the son of a king three ways – David by Joseph, David by Mary, and God.
- B. His office – His work – was to govern, lead, judge, manage, and rule God’s kingdom.
 - 1. All angels and men – in heaven, earth, or hell – are under His authority (Matt 28:18).
 - 2. Almighty God and infinite Jehovah gave this Son all judgment (John 3:35; 5:22,27).
 - 3. All thrones, might, and dominion are under Him to benefit the church (Ep 1:20-23).
- C. Shoulders are for large burdens – He would bear up the responsibility for the universe.
- D. *Psalm 2 (the decree of King Jesus)* ... <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/pdf/this-day-have-i-begotten-thee.pdf>.
- E. *The Blessed and Only Potentate* ... <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/pdf/blessed-and-only-potentate.pdf>.

And his name shall be called.

- A. His personal name is Jesus of Nazareth – identifying Him by His work and city of origin.
 - 1. We know His chief titles are Lord (sovereign ruler) and Christ (anointed Messiah).
 - 2. We know He has over 100 names and titles used or implied through the scriptures.
 - 3. Similar to God exalting His name Jehovah to Moses, He exalted Christ’s name here.
- B. The following adjectives/names inspired by God through Isaiah rightly, totally fit Him.
 - 1. The Bible may not record Him being called these names, but they are names here.
 - 2. Your name was likely for a relative, or its mere sound, or a name book, or a dream.
 - 3. His names are divinely inspired to be embraced and valued at the very highest level.
- C. *The Names of Jesus (a lengthy introduction)* ... <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/pdf/names-of-jesus.pdf>.
- D. *Titles of Jesus (another list of 150)* ... <http://blog.adw.org/2012/05/150-titles-of-christ-from-the-scriptures/>.

Wonderful.

- A. An inspired, preserved comma separates this name from the next one, contrary to many.
 - 1. We know God is wonderful in counsel (Is 28:29), but we do not alter or modify here.
 - 2. Let other versions corrupt this text like they do much of the Bible when they choose.
- B. What is a simple definition or meaning of this name Wonderful? ... *Full of wonder!*
- C. What is a short definition or meaning of wonder? ... *causing astonishment; marvelous.*
- D. There is no controversy that the glorious truth about this Son is very great (I Tim 3:16).
- E. He is wonderful in every attribute and act ... for He is altogether lovely (Song 5:16).
- F. *Great Mystery of Godliness (slides)* ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/mystery-of-godliness-powerpoint.pdf>
- G. *Great Mystery of Godliness (details)* ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/mystery-of-godliness.pdf>
- H. *He Is Altogether Lovely (details)* ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/he-is-altogether-lovely-2.pdf>

Counselor.

- A. An inspired, preserved comma separates this name from the previous, contrary to many.
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 - 2. Let other versions corrupt this text like they do much of the Bible when they choose.
- B. A counselor is one that gives advice or counsel, but they are severely limited in wisdom.
 - 1. This Son has all treasures of wisdom and knowledge (Col 2:3; Is 40:13; Rom 11:34).
 - 2. He perfectly knows God's incredible will and taught it perfectly, astonishing hearers.
 - 3. He creatively confounded enemies and perfectly instructed friends (Matt 7:28-29).
- C. A counselor is another title for attorney, lawyer, advocate, intercessor, mediator, etc.
 - 1. He ever lives to make intercession for those He was given to save (Rom 5:10; 8:34).
 - 2. He has guaranteed to not lose a single one assigned to Him to save to the uttermost.
- D. *You Need a Lawyer* ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/sermons/christ/you-need-a-lawyer/sermon.php>

The mighty God.

- A. The definite article here ... *the* ... makes Jesus Almighty God to confound Russellites.
 - 1. The New World Translation alters the text to remove the article *the* for Mighty God.
 - 2. They do the same kind of treacherous, blasphemous corruption in John 1:1 for *a god*.
 - 3. We love our King James Bible; we believe by internal, spiritual rules it is scripture.
 - 4. Rejoice in the providential preservation of scripture to capitalize the definite article!
 - 5. David described our Jesus, in His Messianic love song, as *most mighty* (Psalm 45:3).
 - 6. Paul wrote about the Son ... *the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ* (Titus 2:13).
- B. Jesus is God manifest in the flesh, *Immanuel* (John 1:1,14; Matthew 1:23; I Tim 3:16).
- C. *A Name Above Every Name (slides)* ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/a-name-above-every-name.pdf>
- D. *Jesus Is Jehovah (slides)* ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/jesus-is-jehovah.pdf>
- E. *Jesus Is Jehovah (outline)* ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/Jesus%20Is%20Jehovah.pdf>

The everlasting Father.

- A. He is not the Father as the One He called Father; they were distinct and separate in roles.
- B. He is the Father, the Ancient of Days, by having the fulness of the Godhead (Col 2:9).

- C. He is the Father of His children and declares it so; He saw His seed (Heb 2:13; Is 53:10).
- D. God and Ruler of Israel, He was from everlasting (Ps 41:13; 106:48; Is 63:16; Mic 5:2).
- E. Do you want a perfect Father to look out for you, protect and help you? Look to Jesus!

The Prince of Peace.

- A. He made glorious peace, not only with the thrice-holy God, but with all enemies as well.
 - 1. His death made peace by covering sins to boldly approach God (Col 1:20; Hag 2:9).
 - 2. He has also made peace by destroying the devil and his works (Hebrews 2:14-17).
- B. He is the perfect fulfillment of Mechisedec, king of Salem, as King of peace (Heb 7:2).
- C. He made peace between Jews and Gentiles for both to make one church (Eph 2:14-18).
- D. He promises everlasting peace from conflict; He can speak peace to a sea or your soul.
- E. *Jesus as Prince of Peace* ... <http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/prince-of-peace.pdf>.

Of the increase of his government.

- A. The authority and rule of King Jesus would increase in stages until final, formal victory.
 - 1. He was born king, as the angels declared (Luke 1:32-33; Matthew 2:2; John 18:37).
 - 2. Then declared so, confessed so, and crowned so (John 12:12-16; 19:19; I Tim 6:15).
 - 3. There yet remains a final and formal demonstration to the universe (I Cor 15:24-28).
 - 4. No enemies like the Jews or Pilate could keep Him from His crown (Psalm 2:1-12).
- B. The God of heaven set up a kingdom that shall destroy all other kingdoms (Dan 2:44).
- C. Though beginning small, it grew to fill the earth, reaching even to us here in America.
- D. Jesus Christ's rule over all things is never diminished, only increased. Glory in victory!
- E. It is a spiritual kingdom, so do not be like the blinded Jews to look for an earthly reign.
- F. *Five Kingdoms of the Bible (slides of Daniel 2,7)* ... <http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/five-kingdoms.pdf>.

And peace.

- A. He is Prince of Peace as seen above (Is 9:6); He made peace with God and over enemies.
- B. Nothing can or will ever interrupt the peace of His kingdom, for His power is absolute.
- C. Like His kingdom, the peace of His reign increases, never diminishes, until complete.
- D. The peace believers have together in a local church is evidence of His power for peace.
- E. He is High Priest forever, along with His rule, so He intercedes forever (Heb 7:23-28).
- F. Change creates fear, but there is no change in this reign, as the promise unfolds next.
- G. He will destroy all enemies, and we will rule the universe with Him in perfect peace.

There shall be no end.

- A. His reign as King over the universe cannot be overthrown or come to an end, not ever.
- B. This is the final kingdom you are now in by baptism, and it cannot change (Heb 12:28).
- C. His royal kingdom endures to all generations, unlike others (Ps 45:17; 145:13; 146:10).
- D. Every other office and ruler has term limits, some short as a few years, not one eternal.
- E. Daniel declared that Christ's kingdom is gloriously permanent over others (Dan 2:44).
- F. He will not tire, or retire, or be replaced; like Melchisedec, He is forever (Heb 7:1-3).

Upon the throne of David.

- A. God promised David's son on David's throne forever (Ps 89:1-4,29,36; Luke 1:32-33).
- B. This promise is the sure mercies of David for him and for us (II Sam 23:1-5; Is 55:1-5).
- C. David was the greatest king of Israel and the man after God's own heart – perfect type.
- D. David defeated all enemies, exacted tribute, had peace (Ps 18:1; I Kgs 4:24-25; 5:3-5).
- E. God raised Jesus from the dead to put Him on David's throne (Acts 2:29-36; 13:28-37).
- D. Jesus as the Son of David ... <http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/jesus-the-son-of-david.pdf>.

And upon his kingdom.

- A. David's kingdom was glorious in Israel's history for its victories, prosperity, and joy.
- B. David's kingdom is the best view of Christ's kingdom in victory, prosperity, peace, etc.
- C. David had his mighty men the Bible records, but Jesus has the angelic armies of heaven.
- D. Gentiles are part of David's rebuilt kingdom under Jesus Christ (Acts 15:14-18). Glory!

To order it, and to establish it.

- A. A ruler must actually implement and execute His authority and His laws to truly reign.
 - 1. If He cannot legislate His laws and enforce them, then He is merely a puppet king.
 - 2. If He cannot destroy all enemies of every kind, His reign is tenuous and/or temporal.
 - 3. Consider the Jews who said He could not reign over Him (Luke 19:11-14,27). Glory!
 - 4. Consider the Gentiles who had no interest (Matt 21:40-46; 22:1-14; Acts 26:16-18).
- B. Jesus sits as Head of His churches; His rules are obeyed or else (I Cor 5:1-5; 11:29-32).
- C. Jesus sits on the throne of the universe with a rod of iron rule, and He orders all events.
- D. The future is certain and sure – He will destroy all enemies, and all shall bow to Him.

With judgment and with justice.

- A. His authority and rule are in perfect judgment and justice – righteousness and equity.
- B. David saw a picture of His gloriously superior reign on his deathbed (II Sam 23:1-5).
- C. He has no errors of ignorance or corruption by malice, for He loves right (Heb 1:8-9).
- D. Every government and ruler upon earth has both faults to varying degrees by depravity.
- E. Eternal security of your elect soul is as certain as the final destruction of all His enemies.

From henceforth even for ever.

- A. Perfect judgment and justice is guaranteed by God (as follows) and His Son (as above).
- B. Even casual reading of news today reveals when judgment and justice are not enforced.
- C. Every promise of God is sure to you forever; He cannot lie; He is the Faithful Witness.
- D. Every enemy of yours will be destroyed forever, whether sin, death, Satan, or hellfire.
- E. Nothing can change negatively in the future, for all is guaranteed by God and His Son.
- F. Every guarantee of your protection and prosperity is in place by the Surety of your soul.

The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.

- A. The whole universe as the stage for Jehovah's drama will play out exactly as designed.

1. Who sent this Son to Israel to be born of a virgin and rule like king David forever?
2. The LORD Jehovah – the great I AM THAT I AM – is Creator and Covenant Maker.
- B. We can see Jesus' zeal cleansing the temple (John 2:13-17), but this is God His Father.
 1. He is LORD of Sabaoth – Lord of hosts – Commander and King of all angel armies.
 2. Jehovah's own zeal – behold it! – guarantees Jesus being and doing all above for us.
- C. Neither the devil nor your own heart can alter His glorious intentions (I John 3:18-24).
 1. Nothing can alter God's purpose and love for you in Jesus His Son (Rom 8:28-39).
 2. Rainbows, mountains, hills ... days, nights, stars, sand ... sun, moon, sea, heaven, earth ... prove His zeal to perform this word (Is 54:9-10; Jer 33:20-22; 31:35-37).

Conclusion:

1. God graciously led us to Isaiah 9, where He gave one of the most glorious prophecies of Jesus Christ.
2. What does this Son mean to you? How does your love, joy, and service compare to apostles or martyrs?
3. Is Jesus Christ your chief joy in life (I Peter 1:6-8) and the most precious thing in life (I Peter 2:4-8)?
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