

*Unto Us
A Child
Is Born*

Isaiah 9:1-7

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1 Nevertheless the dimness shall not be such as was in her vexation, when at the first he lightly afflicted the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, and afterward did more grievously afflict her by the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, in Galilee of the nations.

2 The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.

Isaiah 9:1-7 - continued

3 Thou hast multiplied the nation, and not increased the joy: they joy before thee according to the joy in harvest, and as men rejoice when they divide the spoil.

4 For thou hast broken the yoke of his burden, and the staff of his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, as in the day of Midian.

5 For every battle of the warrior is with confused noise, and garments rolled in blood; but this shall be with burning and fuel of fire.

Isaiah 9:1-7 - continued

6 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.

7 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.

Introduction

A. A time of affliction (v 1)

B. A time of darkness (v 2)

C. A time of searching for joy (v 3)

D. A time of freedom but not being free (v 4)

E. A time of chaos (v 5)

F. A time for God to intervene (vv 6-7)

I. The Coming Of the King

A. The mystery of the manger

1. A great mystery

1 Timothy 3:16

And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

2. A guarded mystery

1 Timothy 3:9

Holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience.

I. The Coming Of the King

B. The majesty of the manger

Colossians 1:16

For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

Philippians 2:7-8

7 But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:

8 And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

II. The Claims Of the King

A. Unerring in His work

1. Wonderful

Psalm 40:5

Many, O LORD my God, are thy wonderful works which thou hast done, and thy thoughts which are to us-ward: they cannot be reckoned up in order unto thee: if I would declare and speak of them, they are more than can be numbered.

Psalm 119:129

Thy testimonies are wonderful: therefore doth my soul keep them.

II. The Claims Of the King

A. Unerring in His work

2. Counselor

John 16:13

Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

Psalms 119:25

Thy testimonies also are my delight and my counselors.

II. The Claims Of the King

B. Unquestionable in His deity

1. The Mighty God

Psalm 24:8-10

8 Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.

9 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift them up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.

10 Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory. Selah.

II. The Claims Of the King

B. Unquestionable in His deity - continued

2. The Messiah

John 1:14

And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

Revelation 19:6

And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.

II. The Claims Of the King

C. Unending in His days

1. His heritage

Hebrews 7:3

Without father, without mother, without descent, having neither beginning of days, nor end of life; but made like unto the Son of God; abideth a priest continually.

2. His heralding

Revelation 1:8

I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

II. The Claims Of the King

D. Unrivalled in His domain

Ephesians 2:14-17

14 For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us;

15 Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace;

16 And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby:

17 And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh.

II. The Claims Of the King

D. Unrivalled in His domain

Romans 5:1

Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:

III. The Crowning Of the King

- A. An abundant reign**
- B. An acknowledged reign**
- C. An accepted reign**
- D. An authorized reign**

**Who Is This Child In The
Manger To You?**