GOD'S MESSAGE CONCERNING THE COMING MESSIAH

Isaiah 49 - 57

Never in the Old Testament is so much found about the coming Messiah of Israel as in the pages of Isaiah's prophecy. Study these prophecies below:

A. The Varied Descriptions of Messiah: Isaiah 1-48

- 1. What name could be given to the messiah from each of the following verses?
 - a. Isaiah 7:14 (Matthew 1:22-23)_____
 - b. Isaiah 9:6a (Luke 211, John 3:16)_____
 - c. Isaiah 11:1-2_____
 - d. Isaiah 16:5 (Luke 1:31-33)_____
 - e. Isaiah 28:16, 8:14 (Romans 9:33, I Peter 2:6-8)_____
 - f. Isaiah 32:1, 33:17_____
 - g. Isaiah 40:11 (John 10:11, 14-16)_____
 - h. Isaiah 42:1 (Matthew 12:15-21, Philippians 2:7)_____
 - i. Isaiah 42:6-7, 9:2, 51:4, 60:1, 3 (Matthew 4:15-16, John 8:12)
 - j. Isaiah 45:21-22_____
- What important person connected with Jesus' first coming is mentioned in Isaiah 40:3-5? See Matthew 3:1-3

B. The Messiah's Main Task: Read Isaiah 49:1-6

- 1. As what is the Messiah pictured in these passages? Isaiah 49:5, 6a
- 2. As such, what would He do for Israel? Isaiah 49:5-6a
- 3. However, what would be His main task? Isaiah 49:6b

C. The Messiah's Means of Accomplishing His Task: Read Isaiah 50:1-11

- 1. What would the Messiah spend much of His time doing? Isaiah 50:4a
- 2. What part of Messiah's life is predicted in Isaiah 50:4b. See Mark 1:35
- 3. Of what famous saying of Messiah does Isaiah 50:5 remind you? See Luke 22:42
- 4. What would this attitude cause Him to do? Isaiah 50:7

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D. Messiah's Task Accomplished: Read Isaiah 52:13 - 53:12

- 1. What would happen to Messiah's face and body as a result of His sufferings? Isaiah 52:14
- 2. What would this bring to Him? Isaiah 53:3a
- 3. How would His own people feel about Him as this happened? Isaiah 53:3b, 4b
- 4. Yet, what would be the whole purpose of His suffering? Isaiah 53:4a, 5, 6
- 5. What would be His reaction to all these sufferings? Isaiah 53:7
- 6. What would finally happen to Him? Isaiah 53:8b-9
- 7. What would be the final result of His sufferings? Isaiah 53:11

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

- 1. Is there any possible doubt as to whose coming is predicted in these verses?
- 2. Has Messiah's purpose for coming into the world been accomplished in me? Is He satisfied with me? See Isaiah 53:11a.