

THOUGHTS ON THE PROPHETS
PART 1: ISAIAH – THE COMING MESSIAH
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“In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways...”
Hebrews 1:1 (NIV)

THE ROLE OF A PROPHET

A _____ : _____ GOD'S

TO THOSE WHO NEED TO _____ THEM.

“The LORD said to me... ‘I will raise up a prophet like you from among their fellow Israelites. I will put my words in his mouth, and he will tell the people everything I command him.’”
Deuteronomy 18:18 (NLT)

A _____ : _____ PEOPLE WHAT
_____ IS GOING TO DO.

A _____ : _____ GOD'S

TO _____

Covenant 1: God and Abraham – “The LORD had said to Abram, “Go from your country, your people and your father’s household to the land I will show you. “I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.”
Genesis 12: 1-3 (NIV)

Covenant 2: God and Israel – “Then Moses went up to God, and the LORD called to him from the mountain and said, “This is what you are to say to the descendants of Jacob and what you are to tell the people of Israel: ‘Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.’”
Exodus 19:3-6 (NIV)

Covenant 3: God and David – “Furthermore, the LORD declares that he will make a house for you—a dynasty of kings! For when you die and are buried with your ancestors, I will raise up one of your descendants, your own offspring, and I will make his kingdom strong. He is the one who will build a house—a temple—for my name. And I will secure his royal throne forever.... Your house and your kingdom will continue before me for all time, and your throne will be secure forever.”
2 Samuel 7:11-13, 16 (NLT)

ISAIAH'S SPECIFIC ROLE

"Heaven and earth, listen, because the LORD is speaking: 'I raised my children and helped them grow up, but they have turned against me. An ox knows its master, and a donkey knows where its owner feeds it, but the people of Israel do not know me; my people do not understand.' ... Israel is a nation of sin, a people loaded down with guilt, a group of children doing evil, children who are full of evil. They have left the LORD; they hate God, the Holy One of Israel, and have turned away from him as if he were a stranger."
Isaiah 1:2-4 (NCV)

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"The LORD says, 'I do not want all these sacrifices.... Don't continue bringing me worthless sacrifices! I hate the incense you burn.... I hate your New Moon feasts and your other yearly feasts. They have become a heavy weight on me.... Even if you say many prayers, I will not listen to you, because your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves and make yourselves clean.... Stop doing wrong. Learn to do good. Seek justice. Punish those who hurt others. Help the orphans. Stand up for the rights of widows.'
Isaiah 1:11-17 (NCV)

- _____ ALL TO _____

"'Come now, let's settle this,' says the LORD. 'Though your sins are like scarlet, I will make them as white as snow. Though they are red like crimson, I will make them as white as wool. If you will only obey me...'
Isaiah 1:18-19 (NLT)

- A _____ WILL _____

"Therefore, the Lord... the Mighty One of Israel, says, 'I will take revenge on my enemies and pay back my foes! I will raise my fist against you. I will melt you down and... remove all your impurities.'
Isaiah 1:24-25 (NLT)

- GOD WILL _____ HIS _____

"Zion will be restored by justice; those who repent will be revived by righteousness."
Isaiah 1:27 (NLT)

- _____ THEM WITH _____ IN THE
COMING

"The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel."
Isaiah 7:14 (NIV)

"Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever."
Isaiah 9:7 (NIV)

“Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering.... But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed. We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.” Isaiah 53: 4-6 (NIV)

PUTTING ISAIAH INTO PRACTICE:

1. _____ AS THE
_____.

“...these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing in him you will have life by the power of his name.”

John 20:31 (NLT)

2. BE A _____.

“...all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.”

Genesis 12:3 (NIV)

3. BE AN _____.

“...you will be before me a kingdom of priests, and a holy nation.”

Exodus 19: 6 (NIV)

“He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.” Micah 6:8 (NIV)

4. _____ THE _____
_____.

“And you must commit yourselves wholeheartedly to these commands that I am giving you today. Repeat them again and again to your children. Talk about them when you are at home and when you are on the road, when you are going to bed and when you are getting up.”

Deuteronomy 6:7 (NLT)