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The Coming of our Saviour

Since Adam and Eve sinned and were thrown out of the garden of Eden the Lord promised the devil that Man shall be redeemed for what he has done and that man

"...shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel." (Genesis 3:15)

He continued comforting man with this promise through many Old Testament prophets indicating the coming of The Messiah:

Following are some of the Prophet Isaiahs' prophecies:

"For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

(Isaiah 9:6)

"...Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel."

(Isaiah 7:14)

Following are some of the Prophet Jeremiahs' prophecies:

"Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah; not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt, My covenant which they broke, though I was a husband to them, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put My law in their minds, and write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. No more shall every man teach his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them, says the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more."

(Jeremiah 31:31-34)

WONDERFUL, COUNSELOR, MIGHTY GOD, EVERLASTING FATHER, PRINCE OF PEACE. One of the Psalms of The Prophet King David is frequently used in our church when describing how mankind and all the heavenly beings would have felt at the birth of OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST:

"This is the day the LORD has made; We will rejoice and be glad in it." (Psalm 118:24)

Not only Old Testament prophets were joyful at the expected coming of the Messiah but the joy of many people of God in New Testament times are also recorded in the HOLY BIBLE:

When Our Holy Mother Saint Mary visited Elizabeth she sang the following hymn of praise:

"My soul magnifies the Lord, And my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior. For He has regarded the lowly state of His maidservant; For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed. For He who is mighty has done great things for me, And holy is His name. And His mercy is on those who fear Him From generation to generation. He has shown strength with His arm; He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He has put down the mighty from their thrones, And exalted the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, And the rich He has sent away empty. He has helped His servant Israel, In remembrance of His mercy, As He spoke to our fathers, To Abraham and to his seed forever."

(Luke 1:46-55)

The prophet Zacharias was filled with the Holy Spirit and said the following:

"Blessed is the Lord God of Israel, For He has visited and redeemed His people, And has raised up a horn of salvation for us In the house of His servant David, As He spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets, Who have been since the world began, That we should be saved from our enemies And from the hand of all who hate us, To perform the mercy promised to our fathers And to remember His holy covenant..."

(Luke 1:68-72)

When Simon the Elder was in the Temple he took the Baby Jesus in his arms and said:

"Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace, According to Your word; For my eyes have seen Your salvation Which You have prepared before the face of all peoples, A light to bring revelation to the Gentiles, And the glory of Your people Israel."

(Luke 2:29-32)

That same hour after Zacharias had finished speaking, an old prophetess called Anna who

"was a widow of about eighty-four years, who did not depart from the temple, but served God with fastings and prayers night and day. And coming in that instant she gave thanks to the Lord, and spoke of Him to all those who looked for redemption in Jerusalem."

(Luke 2:37-38)

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The greatness of the this thing which the Lord has done for us in descending from on high to save us from our sins is best expressed by the following Hymn which the Holy Angels and Heavenly Hosts sang when they appeared to the shepherds:

"GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, AND ON EARTH PEACE, GOODWILL TOWARD MEN!" (LUKE 2:14)

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST!!!

All creatures from the highest in heaven to the lowest on earth gather to worship God in the mercy He showed mankind in sending His only Begotten Son.

• AND ON EARTH PEACE!!!

For the first time since Adam & Eve sinned peace was brought to all men who worshipped and glorified the LORD and Paradise was once again opened to mankind. By giving us spiritual peace the LORD allowed us to join the Heavenly beings in worshipping Him.

"Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."

(John 14:27)

• GOODWILL TOWARD MEN!!!

It is only through this peace that the OUR LORD JESUS brought and freely gives out can we have this goodwill toward all men - our enemies and friends alike.

OUR LORD & SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST TRULY IS THE PRINCE OF PEACE

GLORY BE TO HIS NAME FOREVER AND EVER AMEN.



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