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Text: Isaiah 11:1-9

The prophet Isaiah lived 750 years before Christ. He reveals the coming Messiah's bloodline.

Several facts of this prophecy are worth noting:

FAMILY IS IMPORTANT TO GOD

Matthew 19:4-6 - ⁴ "Haven't you read," he replied, "that at the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female,' ⁵ and said, 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh'? ⁶ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."

GOD'S FAITHFULNESS IS REVEALED THROUGH THE FAMILY

Genesis 3:15 - And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel."

Genesis 12:2-3 - ² "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. ³ I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."

Promise to David: **Isaiah 9:7** - 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. The zeal of the LORD Almighty will accomplish this.

Hebrews10:23 - Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.

GOD ADOPTS US INTO HIS FAMILY WHEN WE PUT FAITH IN JESUS

Romans 8:15 - The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father."

Galatians 4:7 - So you are no longer a slave, but God's child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir.