

## WE FORMED OUR MESSAGE AROUND THE SONG "MANGER THRONE" & THE PASSAGE ISAIAH 9:6-7

THE TITLE ITSELF JUXTAPOSES A HUMBLE "MANGER" WITH A ROYAL "THRONE," ILLUSTRATING HOW THE KING OF KINGS CHOSE TO ENTER THE WORLD IN THE MOST LOWLY AND UNASSUMING WAY.

- THE MANGER SYMBOLIZES POVERTY, HUMILITY, AND SIMPLICITY, A STARK CONTRAST TO THE GRANDEUR EXPECTED OF A KING'S BIRTH.
- THIS HUMILITY FULFILLS THE PROPHECY AND GOD'S PLAN TO IDENTIFY WITH THE LOWLIEST OF HUMANITY (PHILIPPIANS 2:6-8).

THE SONG EMPHASIZES JESUS' DUAL NATURE:

- AS A SERVANT, BORN IN A STABLE, HE CAME TO SERVE HUMANITY AND ULTIMATELY GIVE HIS LIFE FOR OUR SINS (MARK 10:45).
- AS A KING, EVEN IN THE MANGER, HE WAS THE SAVIOR OF THE WORLD, DESERVING OF WORSHIP AND ADORATION (REVELATION 19:16).

DIVINE MAJESTY WITH EARTHLY HUMILITY HIGHLIGHTS
THE AWE-INSPIRING NATURE OF JESUS' BIRTH.

IT INVITES REFLECTION ON THE PROFOUND SACRIFICE OF GOD STEPPING DOWN FROM GLORY TO DWELL AMONG HUMANITY.



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THE PROPHECY OF ISAIAH ABOUT THE COMING OF THE MESSIAH WAS GIVEN APPROXIMATELY 700 YEARS BEFORE THE BIRTH OF JESUS CHRIST.

HIS PROPHECIES, INCLUDING THOSE ABOUT THE MESSIAH (SUCH AS ISAIAH 7:14, ISAIAH 9:6-7, AND ISAIAH 53), WERE GIVEN IN A TIME OF POLITICAL TURMOIL, SPIRITUAL DECLINE, AND IMPENDING EXILE.

## **ISAIAH 7:14:**

"THEREFORE THE LORD HIMSELF WILL GIVE YOU A SIGN: THE VIRGIN WILL CONCEIVE AND GIVE BIRTH TO A SON, AND WILL CALL HIM IMMANUEL."

- FULFILLED IN THE VIRGIN BIRTH OF JESUS (MATTHEW 1:22-23).
- 2. ISAIAH 9:6-7:

"FOR TO US A CHILD IS BORN, TO US A SON IS GIVEN, AND THE GOVERNMENT WILL BE ON HIS SHOULDERS. AND HE WILL BE CALLED WONDERFUL COUNSELOR, MIGHTY GOD, EVERLASTING FATHER, PRINCE OF PEACE."

- PROPHESIED THE BIRTH AND ETERNAL REIGN OF CHRIST.
- 3. ISAIAH 53:
- THIS CHAPTER FORETELLS THE SUFFERING SERVANT, DESCRIBING JESUS' CRUCIFIXION AND THE ATONEMENT FOR SIN.



Isaiah 9:6:

"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."



Isaiah 9:7 NLT
His government and its peace
will never end. He will rule with
fairness and justice from the
throne of his ancestor David
for all eternity. The passionate
commitment of the LORD of
Heaven's Armies will make
this happen!



Daniel 2:44 NLT
"During the reigns of those kings, the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that will never be destroyed or conquered. It will crush all these kingdoms into nothingness, and it will stand forever.



Galatians 4:4-5:
"But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption as his children."

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John 1:10-15 NLT

He came into the very world he created, but the world didn't recognize him. [11] He came to his own people, and even they rejected him. [12] But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God. [13] They are reborn-not with a physical birth resulting from human passion or plan, but a birth that comes from God.



[14] So the Word became human and made his home among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father's one and only Son. [15] John testified about him when he shouted to the crowds, "This is the one I was talking about when I said, 'Someone is coming after me who is far greater than I am, for he existed long before me."



John 1:16-18 CSB
Indeed, we have all received grace upon grace from his fullness, [17] for the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. [18] No one has ever seen God. The one and only Son, who is himself God and is at the Father's side -he has revealed him.



Philippians 2:6-11 NLT
Though he was God, he did not think
of equality with God as something to
cling to. [7] Instead, he gave up his
divine privileges; he took the humble
position of a slave and was born as
a human being. When he appeared
in human form, [8] he humbled
himself in obedience to God and
died a criminal's death on a cross.



[9] Therefore, God elevated him to the place of highest honor and gave him the name above all other names, [10] that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, [11] and every tongue declare that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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THE PRINCE OF PEACE & LORD OF LORDS

WHICH MEANS WE WORSHIP:

A HUMBLE KING

A FAITHFUL KING

A MIGHTY KING

A LOVING KING

A GRACIOUS KING



## REFLECTION

Q. WHAT STOOD OUT TO YOU, CONVICTED YOU OR CHALLENGED YOU FROM THE MESSAGE OR SCRIPTURE? WHAT IS SOMETHING NEW YOU LEARNED?

Q. WHAT DOES IT MEAN THAT JESUS IS A MANGER KING?

Q. HOW DOES THIS DESCRIPTION OF JESUS (MANGER KING) REFLECT THE GOSPEL?

Q. WHAT MAKES JESUS DIFFERENT THAN ALL THE OTHER LITTLE G GODS & RELIGIONS?

Q. HOW DOES KNOWING THE TRUTH THAT JESUS IS UNLIKE ANY OTHER "GODS" DRAW YOU MORE TO HIM?

Q. HOW CAN VIEWING JESUS AS A MANGER KING SHAPE OUR FAITH ON A DAILY BASIS?

