The First COMING of Jesus ~ Isaiah 42:1-4

→ Scripture Reading Is. 42:1-4, Gal. 4:4-6

INTRODUCTION

The Hebrew Scriptures indicate that the Promised One would appear, be CUT OFF, and then reappear in VICTORY. The first advent HAS occurred; the second is still FUTURE. Both the New and Old Testaments predict a second coming of the Messiah. gotquestions.org

Isaiah 41:25 (NLT) But I have stirred up a leader who will come from the NORTH. I have called him by name from the EAST. I will give him VICTORY over kings and princes. He will TRAMPLE them as a potter treads on clay.

THE SERVANT WHO WAS TO COME ~ Isaiah 42:1-7

¹ Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on Him and He will bring justice to the nations. ² He will not shout or cry out, or raise His voice in the streets.

Mark 1:10-11 (NIV) And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."

Isaiah 11:3-4 (NLT) He will DELIGHT in obeying the LORD. He will NOT JUDGE by appearance nor make a decision based on hearsay. ⁴ He will give JUSTICE to the poor and make FAIR decisions for the exploited...

Isaiah 53:7 (NLT) He was oppressed and treated harshly, yet He NEVER said a WORD. He was led like a lamb to the slaughter. And as a sheep is SILENT before the shearers, He did NOT open his MOUTH.

³ A bruised reed He will not break, and a smoldering wick He will not snuff out. In faithfulness He will bring forth justice; ⁴ He will not falter or be discouraged till He establishes justice on earth. In His law the islands will put their hope.

IMPLICATION

This IS WHO God IS

³A bruised reed He will NOT break, and a smoldering wick He will NOT snuff out.

Matthew 11:28-30 (NLT)²⁸ Then Jesus said, "Come to ME, all of you who are WEARY and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you REST.²⁹ Take MY yoke upon you. Let ME teach you, because I am humble and gentle at heart, and you will find REST for your souls.³⁰ For MY yoke is easy to bear, and the burden I give you is light."

At Just the RIGHT Time ~ Galatians 4:4-5

⁴ But when the TIME had FULLY come, **God** SENT His Son, born of a woman, born under law, ⁵ to redeem those under law, that we might receive the full rights of sons. ⁶ Because you are sons, God sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, Abba, Father.

SON of God divine Fully God -AND- Born of a Woman human Fully Man

Matthew 5:17 (NLT) ... I did not come to abolish the law of Moses or the writings of the prophets. No, I came to accomplish their purpose.

Rom. 3:26 (NIV) You are all sons of God THROUGH Faith in Christ Jesus

Ephesians 1:13 (NLT) ... And when you believed in Christ, He identified you as His own by giving you the Holy Spirit, whom He promised long ago.

IMPLICATION

→God's PURPOSE was RELATIONSHIP

⁵ God sent Him to buy freedom for us who were slaves to the law, so that He could adopt us as His very own children. (NLT)

We cannot have a personal relationship with LAWS or RITUALS. But we can have an intimate PERSONAL relationship with God - through FAITH in Jesus Christ by the Indwelling of the Holy Spirit. LAB

Are YOU the ONE we Have been Waiting For? ~ Matthew 11:2-5

²When John heard in prison what Christ was doing, he sent his disciples ³ to ask him, "Are you the one who was to come, or should we expect someone else?" ⁴ Jesus replied, "Go back and report to John what you hear and see: ⁵ The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is preached to the poor.

1 Peter 1:10-11 (NLT) This salvation was something even the PROPHETS wanted to know more about when they prophesied about this gracious salvation prepared for you. ¹¹ They wondered what time or situation the Spirit of Christ within them was talking about when he told them in advance about Christ's SUFFERING and his great GLORY afterward.

IMPLICATION

→It is OK to DOUBT or ask Questions

³...Are you the one who was to come, or should we expect someone else?

...⁵ The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is preached to the POOR

Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, Just to take Him at His word; Just to rest upon His promise; Just to know, Thus saith the Lord.

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him, How I've proved Him o'er and o'er, Jesus, Jesus, Precious Jesus. **O for grace to TRUST Him MORE**

TAKE AWAY??

1 Corinthians 11:26 (NLT) For every time you eat this BREAD and drink this CUP, you are announcing the Lord's DEATH until He COMES again.

Romans 5:6 (NLT) When we were utterly HELPLESS, Christ came at just the RIGHT TIME and DIED for us sinners.