

**INTRODUCTION TO ISAIAH:**  
**Old Familiar Challenges, New Hopes and Dreams**  
**Isaiah in the New Testament**  
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*“The task of prophetic ministry is to nurture, nourish and evoke a consciousness and perception alternative to the consciousness and perception of the dominant culture around us.”*  
Walter Brueggemann

- I. Jesus' Ministry Predicted by Isaiah
- II. Jesus' Work Interpreted by Isaiah
- III. Jesus, Isaiah & The Church's Mission to the Gentiles
- IV. Wrapping Up Isaiah

**I. Jesus' Work Predicted**

**Is 40:3 – John the Baptist: I am the “voice which calls in the wilderness, Prepare the way of the Lord”** [Matt 3:3, Mark 1:2, Luke 3:4, John 1:23]

**Isaiah 9:2 – Jesus as the Light** (Mt. 4:15-17)

**Is 6:9 – “Listen but do not understand, look but do not comprehend”** [Matt 13:14, Mk. 4:12, Lk 8:10, Jn 12:39, Acts 28:25]

**II. Jesus' Work Interpreted**

**Is 61:1 – Jesus @ Nazareth: “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me to preach good news”** [Lk 4:17]

**Is 53:4 – Healing Peter's mother-in-law** [Matt 8:17]

**III. Jesus & The Mission to the Gentiles**

**Is 42:4 – Hope for the Gentiles** [Matt 12:21; Rom 15:12]

**Is 49:6 – A light for the Gentiles** [Acts 13:4]

**Is 57:19 -- Preach peace to those near and far** [Eph 2:17]

**IV. Wrapping Up Isaiah:Three Takeaways**

*The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined.*