

The Promise Isaiah 11:1-3

"There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, and the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. And His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord."



The Need For Hope

- "Isaiah lived in a time of great prosperity
 "That prosperity led the people to forget God
 - External worship
 - Idolatry
 - Forgetting and ignoring God
 - Wickedness and abuse of others
- "Because of their sin Isaiah had a two fold message:
 - Judgment of the unrighteous
 - Salvation of the righteous



God Can Work To Change the Seemingly Hopeless Situation

~Isaiah 6:1-6

God shows up in worship

~Isaiah 7:13-14

God promises a Savior

~Isaiah 9:1-7

God will change judgment to salvation

~Isaiah 11:1-7

God will send a Savior

"Now to him who is <u>able</u> to do immeasurably <u>more</u> than all we <u>ask</u> or <u>imagine</u>, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen." Eph 3:20-21

God Walks With Us Through Our Troubles

~lsaiah 40:1-5

~Isaiah 43:1-3

God speaks comfort

God redeems

God calls us by name

God walks through the waters

God walks through the fire

God promises we will make it

""One night the Lord spoke to Paul in a vision: "Do not be afraid; keep on speaking, do not be silent. For I am with you, and no one is going to attack and harm you, because I have many people in this city." Acts 18:9-10

God Can Use Whatever You Go Through For Good

Redemption promisedRedemption ProvidedRedemption Realized

Is 43:19-20 Is 53:4-5

Is 61:1ff

"A new thing!"

"He bore our..."

"Spirit upon me"

"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who <u>comforts us</u> in all our troubles, <u>so that we can comfort those</u> in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God."

2 Cor 1:3-4



God Offers Hope "It doesn't have to be this way!"

"He can change it:

~He will walk w/you:

~He will use it:

Pray and ask for what you need

Pray and ask for His presence

Pray and ask: "Who?"

