

**CHRISTMAS WITH ISAIAH**  
**The Mission Of The Savior**  
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*“32 Then, when Mary came where Jesus was, and saw Him, she fell down at His feet, saying to Him, “Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died.”*

*33 Therefore, when Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her weeping, He groaned in the spirit and was troubled.*

*34 And He said, “Where have you laid him?”*

*They said to Him, “Lord, come and see.”*

*35 Jesus wept.*

*36 Then the Jews said, “See how He loved him!”*

John 11:32-36

*“1 Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me.*

*2 In My Father’s house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.”*

John 14:1-2

**IV. THE SAVIOR CAME TO BE YOUR TRANSFORMER**  
(61:3)

*“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.”*

II Corinthians 5:17

*“18 And when He got into the boat, he who had been demon-possessed begged Him that he might be with Him.*

*19 However, Jesus did not permit him, but said to him, “Go home to your friends, and tell them what great things the Lord has done for you, and how He has had compassion on you.”*

*20 And he departed and began to proclaim in Decapolis all that Jesus had done for him; and all marveled.”*

Mark 5:18-20

**CONCLUSION:** Have you received Jesus as your Savior?

*“Come now, and let us reason together,” Says the LORD, “Though your sins are like scarlet, They shall be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They shall be as wool.”*

Isaiah 1:18

**INTRODUCTION**

**A.** The book of Isaiah was written by the prophet Isaiah (1:1) over seven hundred years before the first coming of Jesus, the Savior. It represents a summary of the entire Bible.

**B.** Isaiah is called the “Fifth Gospel” because the New Testament use of the word “gospel”, which means good news, is rooted in Isaiah’s use of it.

*“O Zion, You who bring good tidings, Get up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, You who bring good tidings, Lift up your voice with strength, Lift it up, be not afraid; Say to the cities of Judah, “Behold your God!”*

Isaiah 40:9

*“Are the feet of him who brings good news, Who proclaims peace, Who brings glad tidings of good things, Who proclaims salvation, Who says to Zion, “Your God reigns!”*

Isaiah 52:9

Against the backdrop of God’s judgment, Isaiah proclaims the good news of the Savior. This promise was fulfilled through “a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.” (Luke 2:10-11).

This four part series features the following messages:

Dec 8	The Sign Of The Savior
Dec 15	The Character Of The Savior
Dec 22	The Sacrifice Of The Savior
TODAY	The Mission Of The Savior

**C. TEXT:** Isaiah 61:1-3 (Pew Bible/Pg 730/Old Test.)

## THE MISSION OF THE SAVIOR

*“17 And He was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written:*

*18 “The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me, Because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives And recovery of sight to the blind, To set at liberty those who are oppressed;*

*19 To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD.”*

*20 Then He closed the book, and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all who were in the synagogue were fixed on Him.*

*21 And He began to say to them, “Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.”*

Luke 4:17-21

The Greek word Christ is the same as the Hebrew word Messiah which equals the Anointed One.

### I. THE SAVIOR CAME TO BE YOUR **PREACHER** (61:1a, c, 2a)

*“Blessed are the poor in spirit, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”*

Matthew 5:3

*“27 After these things He went out and saw a tax collector named Levi, sitting at the tax office. And He said to him, “Follow Me.”*

*28 So he left all, rose up, and followed Him.*

*29 Then Levi gave Him a great feast in his own house. And there were a great number of tax collectors and others who sat down with them.*

*30 And their scribes and the Pharisees complained against His disciples, saying, “Why do You eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?”*

*31 Jesus answered and said to them, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick.*

*32 I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance.”*

Luke 5:27-32

*“1 There was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews.*

*2 This man came to Jesus by night and said to Him, “Rabbi, we know that You are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him.”*

*3 Jesus answered and said to him, “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.”*

*16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.”*

John 3:1-3, 16

### II. THE SAVIOR CAME TO BE YOUR **HEALER** (61:1b)

*“He heals the brokenhearted And binds up their wounds.”*

Psalms 147:3

*“12 And it happened when He was in a certain city, that behold, a man who was full of leprosy saw Jesus; and he fell on his face and implored Him, saying, “Lord, if You are willing, You can make me clean.”*

*13 Then He put out His hand and touched him, saying, “I am willing; be cleansed.” Immediately the leprosy left him.”*

Luke 5:12-13

*“how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.”*

Acts 10:38

### III. THE SAVIOR CAME TO BE YOUR **COMFORTER** (61:2b)

*“3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort,*

*4 who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those who are in any trouble, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.”*

II Corinthians 1:3-4