

ISAIAH





“GOD’S KING IS COMING!”

MY NAME IS ISAIAH, THE SON OF AMOZ. I am a prophet of the Lord of Hosts, the Holy One of Israel.

The Lord has revealed to me that my people – God’s people – are going into exile and captivity in Babylon. Why? Because they have all turned away to worship idols rather than the true God.

Even though God sent prophets – prophets like myself! – to call them to return to him, the hearts of my people are hardened. Even our kings – the very men who were supposed to lead us in faithfulness to God – their hearts have turned away from the Lord.

And so I weep.

And yet. Though exile is looming, the Lord has shown me a glimmer of hope for my people: “The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone.”

The Lord will send a great light to my people! A King is coming! A good King. God’s King. And he will usher in a kingdom of peace and righteousness, which will endure forever.

O my people, listen to this good news! Do not despair, even as exile awaits us. **God’s King is coming!**

Read more in Isaiah 9:1-7.