The Bible Jesus Used

A Gospel-Centered Glance at the Old Testament

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Isaiah at a Glance

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Matthew's Messianic Hope from Isaiah

- The Birth Narrative (Matt 1:18–25)
 - Matt 1:21-23. "She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." ²² All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: ²³ "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel [Isa 7:14; cf. 8:8, 10]."

Sohn's Announcement (Matt 3:1–3)

Matt 3:1-3. In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, ² "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." ³ For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah when he said, "The voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord; make his paths straight [Isa 40:3].'"

The Dawn of Jesus' Ministry (Matt 4:13– 17)

Matt 4:13–17. And leaving Nazareth [Jesus] went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴ so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: ¹⁵ "The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles-¹⁶ the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death, on them a light has dawned [Isa 9:1-2; cf. 42:7]." ¹⁷ From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

The Judgment of the Vineyard and Immanuel (Isa 5–12)

- * Overview:
 - * Intro: The Song of the Vineyard (ch. 5)
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 - Judgment on Judah (7:1–9:7)
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Sission of Judgment (ch. 6)

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 9:1–7
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 10:12, 17–23
 10:33–11:10
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A Thematic Frame: The Hope of a Stump/Shoot (Isa 6:13; 11:11; cf. 53:2)

- Isa 6:13. And though a tenth remain in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak, whose stump remain when it is felled." The holy seed is its stump.
- Isa 11:1-2. There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. ² And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him.
- Isa 53:2. For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground.