Sunday, December 28, 2025

1 Timothy 4:13, "Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching."

Title: God's Promise to to come in Human Flesh Series: Christmas 2025 ... 4

Text: Isaiah 7:14 and 16; 9:6 - 7

Purpose: I want to INFORM my congregation of God's PROMISE that the Almighty would come in human flesh to redeem all who believe.

Introduction:

As we enter the Advent season, we considered Genesis 3 – Humanity's Death and God's Promise:

- ~ 1. Penalty to the Serpent;
- ~ 2. Promise to Eve of Having Offspring (Seed);
- ~ 3. Promise of a Specific Offspring (Seed)
- ~ Two weeks we considered God's promises to Abraham; 'God's Promises to Abraham Fulfilled'—
- ~ 1. Abraham Receives Promises from God,
- ~ 2. Abraham Receives a Son from God,

The promise to Abraham includes a number of key elements:

- ~ 1. A land.
- ~ 2. Great nation,
- ~ 3. Great name,
- ~ 4. Abraham would be a blessing,
- ~ 5. Curse those who curse you,
- ~ 6. All the nations of the earth will be blessed in you,
- ~ 7. A son from Sarah

Last week's devotional was entitled, "God's Promise to King David:"

- ~ 1. God's Promise to King David,
- ~ 2. God Gives His Own Son,
- ~ God is Sending Christ Jesus Again

I suggested that there is a correlation to the Gospels:

In Luke, Christ Jesus, is pictured as the son of man (promise to Adam and Eve); in Mark, Christ Jesus, is pictured as the servant of God (similarity to Abraham (the friend of God who obeyed God, even to the offering of Isaac); in Matthew, Christ Jesus is pictured as the King (promise to King David).

~ In the devotional today, there is a definite correlation to the Gospel of John in which Christ Jesus is declared to be the Son of God.

1. God's Promise of a Miraculous Birth:

~ Isaiah 7:14, "Therefore the Lord himself will give sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel."

Immanuel – (H6005) used twice in the Scripture: "God with us" or "with us is God"

- ~ The wording here reminds me of Genesis 22:8, "Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.""
- ~ Luke 1:26 38 (Read)
- ~ Luke 2:1 52 (Read)

2. God Gives His Only Son:

- ~ Isaiah 9:6 7, "For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. (7) Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this."
- ~ John 1:1 18, 29 34 (Read)
- ~ 1 John 1:1 4 (Read)
- \sim Romans 1:1 6, 16 17 (Read)
- ~ Romans 10:8 13 (Read)

Conclusion:

Hymn – Joy to the World