The King, the Queen & Her son!

Intro song: "Love Has Come" by Matt Maher off the album "Christmas Child"

Prayer:

For a clean heart o Lord... Renew in me a right spirit! Advent Prayer -

The Promise of a child who will SAVE:

Genesis 3:

[15] I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

The Promise of a King whose HOUSE will stand FOREVER & who will be a SON of GOD:

2 Samuel 7:

- 1] Now when the king dwelt in his house, and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies round about.
- [2] the king said to Nathan the prophet, "See now, I dwell in a house of cedar, but the ark of God dwells in a tent."
- [3] And Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that is in your heart; for the LORD is with you."
- [4] But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan,
- [5] "Go and tell my servant David, `Thus says the LORD: Would you build me a house to dwell in?
- [6] I have not dwelt in a house since the day I brought up the people of

- Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent for my dwelling.
- [7] In all places where I have moved with all the people of Israel, did I speak a word with any of the judges of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?"
- [8] Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David, `Thus says the LORD of hosts, I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep, that you should be prince over my people Israel;
- [9] and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth.
- [10] And I will appoint a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and violent men shall afflict them no more, as formerly,
- [11] from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house.
- [12] When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom.
- [13] He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom for ever.
- [14] I will be his father, and he shall be my son. When he commits iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men, with the stripes of the sons of men;
- [15] but I will not take my steadfast love from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away from before you.

[16] And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure for ever before me; your throne shall be esta blished for ever.'"

[17] In accordance with all these words, and in accordance with all this vision, Nathan spoke to David.

The Promise of the King Messiah child who WILL occupy the throne of David!

Isaiah 7:

- [10] Again the LORD spoke to Ahaz,
- [11] "Ask a sign of the LORD your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven."
- [12] But Ahaz said, "I will not ask, and I will not put the LORD to the test."
- [13] And he said, "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary men, that you weary my God also?
- [14] Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, a young woman shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Imman'uel.
- [15] He shall eat curds and honey when he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good.
- [16] For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted.
- [17] The LORD will bring upon you and upon your people and upon your father's house such days as have not come since the day that E'phraim departed from Judah -- the king of Assyria."

The Fall of of the Kings of Judah - the sons of David - to Babylon - 597 BC

Jeremiah 13:

[15] Hear and give ear; be not proud, for the LORD has spoken.

[16] Give glory to the LORD your God before he brings darkness, before your feet stumble

on the twilight mountains, and while you look for light he turns it into gloom and makes it deep darkness.

[17] But if you will not listen, my soul will weep in secret for your pride; my eyes will weep bitterly and run down with tears, because the LORD's flock has been taken captive.

[18] Say to the king and the queen mother: "Take a lowly seat, for your beautiful crown has come down from your head."

[19] The cities of the Negeb are shut up, with none to open them; all Judah is taken into exile, wholly taken into exile.

[20] "Lift up your eyes and see those who come from the north. Where is the flock that was given you, your beautiful flock?

For the better part of 600 years it seemed that ALL was lost for the Jewish people

- no "Son of David" to sit on the throne...
- perpetually occupied by foreign invaders
- The temple would not see its former glory as under Solomon the Messiah King who was "Son of God".

Until....

St. Matthew 1:

- [1] <u>The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David</u>, the son of Abraham.
- [2] Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers,
- [3] and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, and Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Ram,
- [4] and Ram the father of Ammin'adab, and Ammin'adab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon,
- [5] and Salmon the father of Bo'az by Rahab, and Bo'az the father of Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse,
- [6] and <u>Jesse the father of David the king</u>. And David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uri'ah,
- [7] and Solomon the father of Rehobo'am, and Rehobo'am the father of Abi'jah, and Abi'jah the father of Asa,
- [8] and Asa the father of Jehosh'aphat, and Jehosh'aphat the father of Joram, and Joram the father of Uzzi'ah,
- [9] and Uzzi'ah the father of Jotham, and Jotham the father of Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of Hezeki'ah,
- [10] and Hezeki'ah the father of Manas'seh, and Manas'seh the father of Amos, and Amos the father of Josi'ah,
- [11] and Josi'ah the father of Jechoniah and his brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon.
- [12] And after the deportation to Babylon: Jechoni'ah was the father of She-al'ti-el, and She-al'ti-el the father of Zerub'babel,
- [13] and Zerub'babel the father of Abi'ud, and Abi'ud the father of Eli'akim, and Eli'akim the father of Azor,
- [14] and Azor the father of Zadok, and Zadok the father of Achim, and Achim the father of Eli'ud,
- [15] and Eli'ud the father of Elea'zar, and Elea'zar the father of Matthan, and Matthan the father of Jacob,
- [16] and Jacob the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom

Jesus was born, who is called Christ.

[17] <u>So all the generations from Abraham to David were fourteen</u> generations, and from David to the deportation to Babylon fourteen generations, and from the deportation to Babylon to the Christ fourteen generations.

Notice:

- Jesus is automatically identified as a SON of David
- The only 2 people to be given titles
 - David The King -
 - David was anointed by Samuel the Prophet in 1 Samuel 16:13
 - Anointed in Hebrew Messiah
 - Anointed in Greek Christos
 - Jesus who is called Christ
 - The Anointed one the son of David... ie. the heir to the throne and KING!
- 3 sections of 14 generations each -
 - David's name equal's 14
 - This is saying David, David, David!
- Mary is listed as the Mother of Jesus
 - Much like the Mothers of other Sons of David in the book of Kings!
 - 1 Kings 14:21; 15:9-10; 22:42; 2 Kings 12:2; 14:2; 15:2; 15;:33; 18:2; 21:2; 21:19; 22:1; 23:31; 23:36; 24:8; 24:18
 - This is a reference to Mary as the Queen Mother or Gebira
- The pot: This would be a HUGE red flag for a 1st century Jew!
 - The LONG awaited Messiah King, the heir to the throne of David... its NOT a broken promise after all!

Now let's look at St. Matthew's account of the Annunciation in Chapter 1:

- [18] Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child of the Holy Spirit;
- [19] and her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly.
- [20] But as he considered this, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit;
- [21] 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, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and his name shall be called Emmanuel" (which means, God with us).
- [24] When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took his wife,
- [25] but knew her not until she had borne a son; and he called his name Jesus.

Note:

- Joseph is a LOT like the Joseph in the book of Genesis
 - Both have fathers' named Jacob
 - Both dreamed special dreams & could interpret them
 - Both were used to save their families by taking them down to Egypt
- Also note that Joseph was a "Just" man living the Mosaic code with moral integrity.
 - It seems most folks think of him more like a Pharisee than a humble man but...
 - Read commentary from Ignatius Study Bible.
- Notice the direct reference to Isaiah 7 in vv 23

- St. Joseph & The Virgin Mother were devout Jews living in the 4th age the age of the Messiah... waiting for his coming....
 - Isaiah 7 would have been FRESH on their minds when they encountered a miraculous conception of a Child....
 - one who is to be the "Son of the Most High" Luke 1:32
 - one who will sit on David's throne Luke 1:32
 - one who is to reign over the HOUSE of Jacob (Father of David) in an EVERLASTING Kingdom- Luke 1:33
 - Does this sound at all like the Prophet Nathan's words to David in 2 Samuel 7?
- If I were confronted with the position of fostering God as MY child... I too would be a "little" hesitant!
 - No pressure there.... its only GOD in the flesh!
 - Who wants to be known as the guy who spanked God!
 - or the guy who let God walk around in dirty dippers for too long?
 - Ok... Im kidding but seriously.... it does seem plausible that a humble Man, a devoutly humble man, would not feel worthy of such a position in the salvation of all mankind.
 - Would YOU be up for it?
- Once Joseph agrees to take Mary in & NAME the Son Jesus he is legally the Father & HIS Davidic linage is passed to the child.

Some Points:

- Like the image of Adam & Eve standing in the Garden as the first King & Queen who one day would bear a son to redeem Man...
- Like the image of David & Bathsheba standing in the royal court who bore a son Solomon who would be called Anointed, Son of God, and Bride groom to all the world...
- So too is Joseph & Mary the NEW David & Bathsheba, and like Adam & Eve, Royalty whose Son would be the perfect fulfillment of all the prophecies... the Son of David who will be the TRUE Bride Groom to all mankind, who will sit upon the throne, mightier

- than David, and wiser than Solomon.
- If Jesus is the ultimate Immanuel then Mary is the Ultimate Virgin Queen Mother the Gebira like Bathsheba who sat at the right hand of the King.... so too does our Lady Crowned in Glory... sit at the right hand of her son... our Lord & King!

Mary - Sent her into surgery screaming & crying because it was good for her....

• reminded me of Our Lady at the foot of the cross.... how could she bare it unless she knew it was good for us!