

1. The prophet Isaiah reconfirmed God's covenant promise to David – Isaiah 8:13-9:7; 61:1-2,4-7

- Because of their unbelief, God hid His face from the people of Israel – 8:13-17
- Because of His faithfulness, God promised a future ruler and land for His people.
 - He would reign on David's throne – 9:1-9
 - He would establish His people in their land – 61:1-2,4-7

2. Isaiah also spoke of a mystery man who would be our intercessor – Isaiah 53:1-12

- He would appear in an unexpected place – 53:2
- He would be rejected – 53:2b-4
- He would be a sin sacrifice – 53:5-6
- He would not deserve to suffer – 53:7-9
- God would both crush and exalt Him – 53:10-12

3. A few months before Jesus was born, John the Baptizer's father declared that Mary's child would fulfill God's promises to Israel – Luke 1:67-79

Promises to:

- Establish David's dynasty – 1:68-70
- Give land to Israel where they could worship without fear – 1:71-75
- Be light to those living in darkness – 1:76-79

4. Jesus fulfilled only part of these promises when He came to earth.

- He read from Isaiah and stopped mid-chapter – Luke 4:16-19
- He will return to completely fulfill all prophecies about Himself – Rev. 5:5,9-10