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# ADVENT





**Messiah** – would deliver God's people from their enemies and establish the Kingdom of God on the earth

- **OT perspective** all prophecies concerning the Messiah are future (yet to be fulfilled)
- NT perspective all prophecies concerning the Messiah are both past (fulfilled in Jesus' 1<sup>st</sup> coming) and future (to be fulfilled at Jesus' 2<sup>nd</sup> coming) at the same time
  - So we remember look back at Jesus' 1<sup>st</sup> coming with the commitment to allow that recollection to shape how we live as we await His 2<sup>nd</sup> coming



#### The Messiah is -

- A righteous Branch from David's line a royal descendant of David; a king
  - Luke 1.31-33: You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call Him Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David, and He will reign over Jacob's descendants forever; His kingdom will never end.

#### The Messiah will do -

- What is just in keeping with the Law of God
- What is right conforming to the nature and will of God



#### The Messiah's reign will result in –

- **Judah being saved** rescued, delivered from their enemies
  - Matt 1.21 She will give birth to a son, and you are to give Him the name Jesus, because He will save His people from their sins.
- **Jerusalem living in safety –** free from harm or danger
  - John 14.3 and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with Me that you also may be where I am.
- Jerusalem being called the Lord our Righteous Savior – see Jer 23.5-6
  - Acts 11.26 The disciples were called Christians first at Antioch.



Wait- to delay action until a particular time or until something else happens

#### Hebrew word -qaweh

- to wait/look for with eager expectation; Ps 40.1 I waited patiently for the Lord; he turned to me and heard my cry.
- waiting with steadfast endurance as an expression of faith (trust); Isa 25.9 In that day they will say, Surely this is our God; we trusted in him, and he saved us.
- enduring patiently in confident hope that God will decisively act for the salvation of His people; Isa 40.31 - but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength.

