

# The Prophets: Preparation and Expectation Discussion Questions

## Selected Scriptures

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1. Read Isaiah 64:1. What was Isaiah's desire? Why did he want this? Do you have the same desire and intensity for God's return as Isaiah had for His first coming? Why or why not?
2. Why did Jesus have to come down to earth?
3. Read Genesis 12:3, 7 and Galatians 3:16. How did Jesus provide the blessing to the entire earth that was promised to Abraham?
4. Read Revelation 5:5. What did being of the tribe of Judah and conquering sin and death allow Jesus to do? Why is this important to us?
5. What kind of prophet was Moses? What did this mean to the Israelites? How is Jesus far superior to Moses?
6. Read 2 Samuel 7:16. Who was this promise made to? How does Jesus fulfill this promise?
7. How and when will the entire world worship Jesus as King?
8. Why was it important for a virgin to give birth to a son? What would have been different if she weren't a virgin? Does this give value and reason for us to maintain our purity until marriage? Why or why not?
9. How is God with us today?
10. Read Isaiah 9:2. How did Jesus bring light to a dark world? Is He still doing this today? How?
11. Read Jeremiah 31:15. What does "Rachel is weeping for her children" mean? How has Israel suffered over the years?
12. Read Psalm 34:18. What does God do for the brokenhearted and crushed in spirit? How has God comforted you during a difficult time?
13. God orchestrated everything the first Christmas for the fulfillment of Scripture. How have you seen God orchestrate things in your life for you to do the work He has for you to do?
14. Egypt was a place of slavery for the Israelites, but now it is a place of safety for God's Son. Has God ever made this drastic of a change in your life where He has made good out of something that was bad? Would you share your experience?
15. What does Jesus fulfilling the prophecies about His birth and death mean? Do you think it is possible for someone else to fulfill all these prophecies and not be the Messiah? Do you believe Jesus is the Messiah?
16. How do you think the Israelites felt after 400 years of silence for God to come to earth, walking and talking with them in such a personal way? Are you talking with God in a personal way? Why or why not?