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IMMANUEL'S DIVINE FILLING

Isaiah 11:1–2

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As the second person of the God Head (The Trinity) the Lord Jesus is the Divine Root in the lineage of David. He is also the offspring of David in His human manifestation. He is fully God that entered a human body so He is also fully human. His Divinity is described in verse two. The shoot and branch, are indeed the King Messiah. When our Lord Jesus first came to establish His kingdom, He demonstrated that first it is a spiritual kingdom. Isaiah received this message regarding the *Spirit of the Lord* resting on the Lord Jesus which is describing the third Person in the Trinity, and proceeding from Him. Human reason, however, cannot begin to understand the Trinity. Human logic can't explain it either. The word itself is not found in the Scriptures, but the doctrine is plainly evident in the Scriptures. The Trinity is perhaps better known as the God Head. It consists of three persons with distinct personalities and individual roles but all in their *essence*

are God. One simple example is the concept of natural gas. When it first emerges from the earth it is comprised of multiple individual gasses such as methane, pentane, butane and others. Each has a different heat value and is used for different applications such as welding, small candle lighters, home heating and food preparation. So, while they do different types of work they all are in their *essence* gas with some volume of heat value.

Jesus is one with the God Head and the Holy Spirit is with Him. The Holy Spirit is a divine Person, truly God, yet distinct both from the Father and the Son; so that here is a clear evidence of the Trinity of Persons. Christ was filled with the Holy Spirit from the womb, Who, descended and rested upon Him at His baptism; He was anointed with Him to be Prophet, Priest, and King.

When the Lord was upon earth during His first advent the apostle John recorded the following: *“Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on him, the same is he which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost. And I saw, and bare record that this is the Son of God”* (John 1:33b, 34). And the apostle Paul also relates this fact; *“For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily”* (Colossians 2:9).

As the apostle Matthew records His baptism:

Matthew 3:13–17

*<sup>13</sup> Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him. <sup>14</sup> But John forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me? <sup>15</sup> And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now: for thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness. Then he suffered him. <sup>16</sup> And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him: <sup>17</sup> and lo a voice from heaven, saying, This, is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased (KJV).*

His Spiritual fulfillment and blessings are:

1. The Spirit of wisdom
2. The Spirit of understanding,
3. The Spirit of counsel
4. The Spirit of might
5. The Spirit of knowledge
6. The fear of Jehovah

The Holy Spirit came upon Jesus before even in the womb and *never* left Him. So, within Jesus He had His own role (personality) in the God Head and in the flesh, He had the Holy Spirit providing an additional enablement with His (Holy Spirit's) personality. In other words, He had the fulness of the Godhead dwelling in Him. The Holy Spirit had come upon others in the past but left after His temporary work was done. One example is the anointing of the Elders of the nation Israel.

Numbers 11:25

*<sup>25</sup>And Jehovah came down in the cloud, and spake unto him, and took of the Spirit that was upon him, and put it upon the seventy elders: and it came to pass, that, when the Spirit rested upon them, they prophesied, but they did so no more (ASV, 1901).*

Before this occurred, Moses had selected 70 elders and gathered them around the tabernacle. After which the LORD appeared in the cloud. He then took of the Holy Spirit that was upon Moses, and placed Him on the 70. As a result, they began to prophesy, but only this one time. This was all done in order for their ministry to be publicly authenticated. By doing so the whole nation Israel could see that the elders possessed the same spiritual qualifications and authority as Moses himself.

Now Jesus at His baptism began to actualize the manifestations of the Holy Spirit. He realized the sanctifying and enlightening influences of the Holy Spirit: Jesus has the intellectual gifts producing discernment and discrimination stated as the Spirit of wisdom and understanding. Jesus has the Spirit of counsel and might (strength) which enables Him to rule wisely with equality and justice in all His decisions. This will be made very apparent when He runs the earth during the Messianic Kingdom. The law that will emanate out of the world headquarters in Jerusalem will be given with complete equity and justice. His knowledge is superior as God in the flesh carrying out the plans and purposes of God during His first advent and then during the Messianic Kingdom. Finally, Jesus has the deep acquaintance and reverence (fear of God) for God shown in the manner in which He submits to His will.

HIS DELIGHT IN GOD'S WILL

Isaiah 11:3–5

*<sup>3</sup>And his delight shall be in the fear of Jehovah; and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither decide after the hearing of his ears; <sup>4</sup>but with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth; and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked, <sup>5</sup>And righteousness shall be the girdle of his waist, and faithfulness the girdle of his loins (ASV, 1901).*

With Jesus having the fear of the LORD He also delights in it. To fear God is to respond to Him in awe, trust, obedience, fellowship, and worship. The Messiah constantly seeks to do what God the Father wants Him to do. This He did in His first Advent when He willingly went to the cross and the multiple occasions when He spent entire nights in prayer to the Father.

Luke 6:12

*<sup>12</sup>And it came to pass in these days, that he went out into the mountain to pray; and he continued all night in prayer to God (ASV, 1901).*

Jesus' evaluation of issues were not just with His observations of events. He has special Divine insight manifested in many instances of His first advent (Matthew 12:25; Luke 6:8; 9:47; John 25 etc.). Jesus is able to determine what people are thinking. He is not limited to their expressions or speech. He as God sees into the heart, and hears the *true voice* of unspoken thoughts. In fact, when Samuel was sent to Jesse, David's father to find God's choice of a king to replace Saul, Jehovah enlightened Samuel with this truth.

## I Samuel 16:7–7

*<sup>6</sup>And it came to pass, when they were come, that he looked on Eliab, and said, Surely Jehovah's anointed is before him. <sup>7</sup>But Jehovah said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have rejected him: for Jehovah seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but Jehovah looketh on the heart (ASV, 1901).*

Jesus will rule the earth with absolute righteousness, equity and justice (Psalm 72:2). He will judge (treat) the poor with absolute fairness. He will not be like judges who take bribes and oppress the poor. He will not be as others who take advantage of them because they do not have adequate funding to defend themselves. The needy and the poor will not be oppressed by Him as they often are by human leaders (Isaiah 10:1–2). The oppressed will be the beneficiaries of His justice, and the wicked will be slain. His reign will be characterized by righteousness (Isaiah 11:5; 9:7; 16:5) and faithfulness as if they were necessary parts of His clothing, such as a belt and sash.

## HE WILL INSTILL PEACE ON THE EARTH

### Isaiah 11:6–9

*<sup>6</sup>And the wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them. <sup>7</sup>And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. <sup>8</sup>And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den. <sup>9</sup>They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of Jehovah, as the waters cover the sea (ASV, 1901).*

In this passage, Isaiah describes one of the major characteristics of the Messianic Kingdom, which is universal peace. Earlier in chapter two the Lord gave Isaiah another prophecy regarding a different aspect of peace on their earth. While conflicts between nations will arise, such differences will no longer be settled by armed responses, but only by the Word of the Lord from Jerusalem. The practices of warfare will no longer be studied and carried out. War colleges will cease to exist.

### Isaiah 2:4

*<sup>4</sup>And he will judge between the nations, and will decide concerning many peoples; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more (ASV, 1901).*

Prior to the Flood all the animals coexisted with humans in relative peace. After the Flood, God put the fear of man within animal nature (Genesis 9:2). He includes “every beast of the earth,” “every bird of the air,” “all wherewith the ground teemeth” (crawls on the ground), and “all the fishes of the sea.” The cattle and the domesticated animals were excluded. They would not have an inner fear of mankind, because this aspect of the Noahic covenant was necessary since they became a food source for man, but are not to be needlessly slaughtered. God gives man dominion over the animal kingdom, and man is required to provide responsible stewardship over the creatures of the earth. This relationship with the animal kingdom will continue until the Great

Tribulation, when the animal kingdom will turn on mankind in an adversarial relationship. They will assist the Lord in the destruction of twenty-five percent of the world's human population:

*Revelation 6:8*

*<sup>8</sup>And I looked, and behold a pale horse: and his name that sat on him was Death, and Hell followed with him. And power was given unto them over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and the beasts of the earth. (KJV, underlining added)*

Following the Great Tribulation will be the inauguration of the Messianic Kingdom, where the animal-human relationship will revert back to the way it was in the garden of Eden. The knowledge of God will permeate throughout the entire world, causing man and animals alike to all live peaceably together in harmony.

As universal peace falls on the earth the animal kingdom will undergo major changes. All animals will return to the Edenic state and become vegetarians. Even the snake, will be able to live in friendship with man, for the knowledge of God will permeate throughout the entire world, affecting man and animal alike. All animals will be living in a state of harmony. Where before they had a necessity to prey on each other and fear humans, now there will be peace and harmony among all. The text gives examples of the peace in the animal kingdom such as a little child being safe with lions, bears, cobras, and vipers (cf. Isaiah 65:25). And on the temple mount (God's holy mountain; cf. 27:13; 56:7; 57:13; 65:11, 25; 66:20) peace and tranquility will prevail.

THE MESSIAH WILL BE THE CENTER OF GENTILE ATTENTION:

Isaiah 11:10

*<sup>10</sup>And it shall come to pass in that day, that the root of Jesse, that standeth for an ensign of the peoples, unto him shall the nations seek; and his resting-place shall be glorious (ASV, 1901).*

The text in this segment ends as it started with the root of Jesse, our Lord Jesus. Jesus the Messiah, a physical manifestation of the *Shechinah* Glory will dwell visually with all Israel, and for the Gentile nations as well. All nations of the world will gather around the Messiah. In order for them to experience this visible manifestation, they will have to come to the Jews (Zechariah 8:20–23).

Next message: How CHRIST WILL ESTABLISH HIS KINGDOM

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