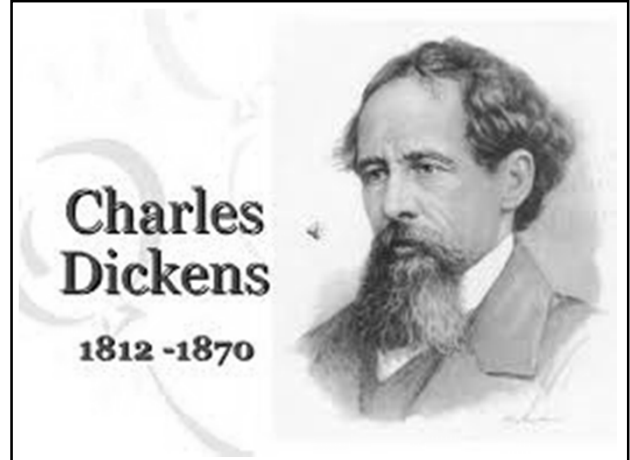


**GREAT
EXPECTATIONS:
THE ORIGINAL
CHRISTMAS STORY**

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11



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Story of "pip"
the country boy who has "great
Expectations" of a better life & future!

**DEFINITION OF THE WORD
"PROPHECY:"**

prediction of something that is to happen in the future.

It has been defined as a "miracle of knowledge, a declaration or description or representation of something future, beyond the power of human sagacity to foresee, discern, or conjecture.

**MESSIANIC
[Birth] PROPHECIES:**

[#1]....Isaiah 7:14;

[#2]...Isaiah 9:6-7

“Therefore THE LORD HIMSELF will give you a sign: Behold, a **virgin** will be with child and bear a son, and she will call HIS name Immanuel.

HE will eat curds and honey at the time HE knows enough to refuse evil and choose good.”

Isaiah 7:14-15 (Matt. 1:23)

“For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; and the **government** will rest on HIS shoulders; and HIS name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty GOD, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.

There will be no end to the increase of HIS government or of peace,…”

Isaiah 9:6

other mESSIANIC PROPHECIES:

[#1]...Micah 5:2;

[#2]...Hoseah 11:1

[#3]...zechariah 9:9

“But as for you, **Bethlehem** Ephrathah, too little to be song the clans of Judah, from you ONE will go forth for ME to be ruler in Israel.

HIS going forth are from long ago, from the days of eternity.”

Micah 5:2 (Matthew 2:6)

“When Israel was a youth I loved him, and out of **Egypt** I called MY SON..”

Hoseah 11:1 (Matthew 2:15)

“Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout in *triumph*, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold your KING is coming to you...humble, and mounted on a **donkey** even on a **colt** the foal of a **donkey**.

And HE will speak peace to the nations; and HIS dominion will be from sea to sea...”

Zechariah 9:9 (Matt. 21:1-10)

“... ‘Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find a **donkey** tied there and a **colt** with her; untie and bring them to ME.

And if anyone says something to you, you shall say, ‘**THE LORD** has need of them...’”

Matthew 21:2-3 (Zech. 9:9)

ServANT SONGS:

[#1]...Isaiah 42:1-9;

[#2]...Isaiah 49:1-13;

[#3]...Isaiah 50:4-11;

[#4]...Isaiah 52:13-53:12

[#5]...Isaiah 61:1-11;

“Behold, MY **SERVANT**, whom I uphold; MY CHOSEN ONE in whom MY soul delights. I have put MY SPIRIT upon HIM; HE will bring forth **justice** to the nations.”

“...bring forth **justice**...” (vs.3)

“...established **justice**...” (vs.4)

Isaiah 42:1, 3-4

“HE says,
‘It is too small a thing that YOU should be MY **SERVANT** to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved ones of Israel; I will also make YOU a light of the nations so that MY salvation may reach to the end of the earth.’”

Isaiah 49:6

“I **gave MY back** to those who strike ME, and MY cheeks to those who pluck out the beard; I did not cover MY face from **humiliation** and **spitting**.

For THE LORD GOD helps ME... And I know that I shall not be ashamed. HE who vindicates me is near;...”

Isaiah 50:6

“Behold, MY **SERVANT** will prosper, HE will be high and lifted up and greatly exalted.”

“But HE was **wounded** for our transgressions, HE was **bruised** for iniquities. The chastisement for our peace was upon HIM, and by HIS **stripes** are we healed.”

Isaiah 52:13, & 53:5

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**ADDITIONAL
SERVANT SONG
PROPHECY => Isaiah 61**

[#1]....PROPHET

[#2]...PROVIDES

[#3]...PRAISE

“The SPIRIT of THE LORD GOD is upon ME, because THE LORD has anointed ME to bring **good news** to the afflicted; HE has sent ME to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to captives, and freedom to prisoners;”

“To proclaim the favorable year of THE LORD...”

Isaiah 61:1-2a

“And the day of vengeance of our GOD; to **comfort** ALL who mourn, to grant those who mourn in Zion, given them a **garland** instead of ashes; the oil of **gladness** instead of mourning, the mantle of **praise** instead of a spirit of fainting. So they will be called **oaks** of righteousness, the planting of THE LORD that HE may be **glorified**.”

Isaiah 61:2b-3

“For as the earth brings forth its sprouts, and as a garden causes the things sown in it to spring up, so THE LORD will cause **righteousness and praise** to spring up before ALL the nations.”

Isaiah 61:11