

# the ROOT, AND OFFSPRING OF DAVID

## the ROOT OF JESSE

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"Now I say that Jesus Christ was a minister of the circumcision for the truth of God, to confirm the promises made unto the fathers; and that the Gentiles might glorify God for His mercy; as it is written, 'For this cause I will confess You among the Gentiles, and sing unto Your name.' And again he says, 'Rejoice, you Gentiles, with His people.' And again, 'Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles; and praise Him, all you peoples.' And again, Isaiah says, 'There shall come the Root of Jesse, and He who shall rise to reign over the Gentiles, in Him shall the Gentiles trust.' Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Spirit.' (Romans 15:8-12-13)

"And there shall come forth **a Shoot (Jesus)** out of the stem (David) of Jesse, and a Branch (Jesus) shall bear-fruit out of his (Jesse) Roots; and the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him (Jesus), the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD; and He shall delight in the fear of the LORD. And He shall not judge by what His eyes see, nor reprove after what His ears hear; but with righteousness He shall judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth. And He shall strike the earth with the rod of His mouth, and with the breath of His lips shall He slay the wicked. And righteousness shall be the belt of His loins, and faithfulness the belt of His waist. The wolf also 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. And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the vipers' den. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea. And in that day there shall be a Root of Jesse, who shall stand as a Signal for the People; to it (Him) shall the Gentiles seek; and His rest (the 'rest' that we who believe on Jesus shall receive) shall be glorious." (Isaiah 11:1-10)

"And one of the elders said unto me, 'Weep not; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the **Root of David**, has prevailed to open the book, and to loosen the seven seals.' " (Revelation 5:5)

"I Jesus have sent My angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the Bright and Morning Star." (Revelation 22:16)

**Root:** from the Hebrew word **sores** (**shoresh**) which means: a root; literally the root of a tree, shrub, or any plant; figuratively of people, the root being that entity that provides sustenance, stability, strength, permanence; etc.; that is the root is the source of these things to the plant or person dependent on the root!

**Root:** from the Greek word **rhiza** which means: a root of a tree or any plant, a source; Metaphorically, a cause, an origin, a source.

**Root:** the part of a plant that attaches it to the ground or to a support, typically underground, conveying water and nourishment to the rest of the plant via numerous roots and fibers.

**Offspring:** from the Greek word **Genos** which means: offspring, family, race, kindred.

**Jesse:** a Hebrew proper name, of uncertain meaning and origin; the father of David the King; and thus a direct ancestor of the promised Messiah - Jesus!

**David:** a Hebrew & Greek proper name, meaning: perhaps "beloved one," - a son of Jesse, and the second King of Israel; but the first and foremost ancestral King - in the ancestral line of the promised Messiah - Jesus!

# the ROOT OF JESSE & the ROOT AND OFFSPRING OF DAVID

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Jesus is the pre-existing life source 'Root' of both Jesse, and David the son of Jesse; and thus He Himself was the cause, origin, source, sustenance, stability, strength, permanence, etc., of Jesse, David, and of the whole ancestral line leading to the **Offspring** of promise - Jesus Himself - the promised Messiah for both the Jews and the Gentiles! That Jesus is also the **Offspring of David** and his father Jesse, is clearly shown by the two genealogy accounts recorded in the Gospels of Matthew 1:1-17, and Luke 3:23-38.

Consider also this passage from Romans 11:17-18

“And if some of the branches (people of Israel) were broken off, and you, being a wild olive tree (gentile nations), were grafted in among them (the nation of Israel), and with them partake of the **Root** and fatness of the olive tree (the nation of Israel), boast not against the branches. But if you do boast, (remember that) you do not support the **Root**, but the **Root** supports you.”

Jesus is also the 'Root' that provides nourishment, support, and stability to the Nation Israel. When we Gentiles are grafted into the Commonwealth of Israel, through our faith and salvation in Christ Jesus, we also are nourished, and supported in like manner; as it says, '**the Root supports you**' - **us!**' Consider these statements of support:

“And Jesus said unto them, I am the Bread of Life, he who comes to me shall never hunger; and he who believes on Me shall never thirst.” (John 6:35)

“I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, the same brings forth much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.” (John 5:5)

“For by grace we are saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God: not of works, lest any man should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God has before ordained that we should walk in them. (Ephesians 2:8-10)

“For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, that He would grant to you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might by His Spirit in the inner man. And that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; and to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that you might be filled with all the fulness of God.” (Ephesians 3:14-19)

## JESUS is...

**the Root of Jesse, and the Root and Offspring of David**

**He was their source of nourishment, support, strength, and stability.  
And He is our Root source of nourishment, support, strength, and stability.  
Apart from Him we can do nothing! But rooted in Him we can bear much Fruit!**

**Lord Jesus we 'sing unto Your name.' And we 'Rejoice in You with all You people.'  
We 'Praise the You Lord Jesus always and forever!!  
Amen!**