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Article GE- 61

FATHER-FOREVER, PRINCE OF PEACE

We shared in the last article (GE-60) that the triune Godhead, God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit, is revealed throughout the Old Testament.

There is a scripture in the book of Isaiah that is read every Christmas that was a prophecy about the future birth of Immanuel, Jesus Christ. It informed the people that when the Son of God was born, He would be Mighty God and Everlasting Father in human flesh. “⁵ For a child is born to us, a son is given us; upon his shoulder dominion rests. They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero, Father-Forever, Prince of Peace.” *Isaiah 9:5 (New American Bible)*

Please note the prophecy in Isaiah 9:5-6 said that when the Son was born He would be Mighty God and Everlasting Father in human flesh. This is in agreement with what God the Father said in Hebrews 1:3-10 when the Father addressed the Son as God and as Lord. “³*The Son is the radiance of God’s glory and the exact representation of His being, sustaining all things by His powerful word. After He had provided purification for sins, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.* ⁴*So He became as much superior to the angels as the name He has inherited is superior to theirs.* ⁵*For to which of the angels did God ever say, “You are my Son; today I have become your Father”?* Or again, “*I will be His Father, and He will be my Son*”? ⁶*And again, when God brings His firstborn into the world, he says, “Let all God’s angels worship Him.”* ⁷*In speaking of the angels He says, “He makes His angels winds, His servants flames of fire.”* ⁸*But about the Son he says, “Your throne, O God, will last for ever and ever, and righteousness will be the scepter of your kingdom.* ⁹*You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has set you above your companions by anointing you with the oil of joy.”* ¹⁰*He also says, “In the beginning, O Lord, you laid the foundations of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands”.* (*Hebrews 1:3-10 NIV*)