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## Prophecies of Jesus Christ

At Christmastime we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. There were many **prophecies** of His birth.

when a prophet tells people what is going to happen

- An angel told Mary, "Thou shalt...bring forth a son, and shalt call his name Jesus" (Luke 1:31).
- The prophet Isaiah wrote about the Messiah. "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given" (Isaiah 9:6).
- Lehi taught about "a Savior of the world" (1 Nephi 10:4).
- The prophet **Abinadi** said, "Did not Moses prophesy unto them concerning the coming of the Messiah and that God should redeem his people?" (Mosiah 13:33).
- An angel showed **Nephi** a vision of Mary with baby Jesus. "And the angel said unto me: Behold the Lamb of God, yea, even the Son of the Eternal Father!" (1 Nephi 11:21).









I pray we will remember that Christmas is not just a season of "greetings" or "happy holidays." It is a celebration of the birth of the Son of God. It is a time to remember His teachings and His Atonement.

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## Isaiah Prophesied about Jesus

