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2 Nephi 11-25

Who Was Isaiah?

The Savior taught, “Great are the words of Isaiah,” and He has commanded us to study them (see 3 Nephi 23:1). Many of Isaiah’s teachings are symbolic of the mortal ministry and Second Coming of Jesus Christ. His words are so valuable that, in 2 Nephi 12-24, Nephi wrote them down so that the people who read them may “lift up their hearts and rejoice” (2 Nephi 11:8).

ISAIAH served as prophet from **740-701 BC**, almost 40 years! At the time of his calling, Isaiah might not have been the white-haired old man we often imagine. You can read about his calling in 2 Nephi 16.

HE HAD A FAMILY.

You can read about his wife, “the prophetess,” and the naming of his newborn son by the Lord in 2 Nephi 18:3.

He was **CHIEF ADVISER TO KING HEZEKIAH**. Isaiah had a lot of influence in Jerusalem. How might that have helped him in his role as prophet?

Isaiah is the most **FREQUENTLY quoted prophet** in scripture. Thirty-two percent of the book of Isaiah is quoted in the Book of Mormon; another three percent is paraphrased.

(See *Old Testament Student Manual*, 3rd ed. [Church Educational System manual, 2003], 131.)

What is your favorite verse from Isaiah?

The name *Isaiah* means **“THE LORD IS SALVATION.”** Isaiah certainly taught that! How does taking upon you the name of Jesus Christ guide your decisions?

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