



The Root of Jesse

Isaiah 11:1

“And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots.”

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Background

- **1 Samuel 16:1-13** contains account of Jesse.
- Jesse lived at Bethlehem.
- He was a grandson of Ruth/Boaz. (Ruth 4:17)
- Jesse was a farmer (grain/sheep).
- He had 8 sons and at least 2 daughters.

What God Said v.3

“And call Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will shew thee what thou shalt do: and thou shalt anoint unto me him whom I name unto thee.”

- Jesse was “...noted in the village, esteemed for his piety and general worth of character...” (Jamieson).
- Jesse was humble/devout man (sacrifice was an act of devotion).
- God knew Jesse would be at the right place and respond in the right way.
Proverbs 16:9; Jeremiah 29:11

What Samuel said v. 5

“...I am come to sacrifice unto the Lord: sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.”

- Samuel orders the elders to “sanctify yourselves” (wash your bodies, change your clothes, and prepare your minds). **Exodus 19:14-15**
- Samuel sanctifies Jesse. **Leviticus 20:7** (separate/make holy)
- God cannot lie, **Titus 1:2**. However, God told Samuel to not reveal his primary purpose for coming to Bethlehem.

What Jesse said v.11

“There remaineth yet the youngest, and, behold, he keepeth the sheep.”

- Jesse trusted in God guidance and listened to Samuel. (faith is the beginning of trust) **Hebrews 11:6**
- Jesse taught David about responsibility and leadership, but God would guide him to be a king.
- Jesse learned that David possessed greater qualities (disposition of mind). **Ephesians 2:10**

Applications

- ✓ Are we in the “right place?” Do we respond in the “right way?”
-Philippians 2:13; Psalms 37:23-24
- ✓ Do we “sanctify” ourselves each day?
-1 Peter 3:15; Hebrews 10:10
- ✓ We should continue to learn about our “hidden” talents and encourage others to use their talents in service for God.
-Matthew 25:21; James 5:16 (encourage through prayer)

Conclusion



Acts 13:22: “And when he had removed him, he raised up unto them David to be their king; to whom also he gave testimony, and said, I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after mine own heart, which shall fulfil all my will.”

Invitation

Lost

- HEAR Romans 10:17
- BELIEVE John 3:16
- REPENT Luke 13:3
- CONFESS Romans 10:10
- BE BAPTIZED Acts 2:38

Fallen

ACTS 8:22

1 JOHN 1:9

- REPENT
- CONFESS SINS TO GOD
- PRAY FOR FORGIVENESS