

**Title:** *“The Apologetics of the Davidic Line of Christ”*

**Sub-Title:** *“The Bloodline is Proof of Christ’ Divinity”*

**Key Verse:** *Isaiah: 9:6 “For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.”*

**Introduction:** We began this study eighteen weeks ago with the premise that apologetics (making argument for the faith) was the greatest issue of our day. If this one fact was accepted, that the Davidic bloodline was proof of Christ’ divinity, the 1.6 billion Muslims; 1 billion Hindus; .5 billion Buddhists; and 14 million Jews; and 1.6 billion other religions, or no religion would all be born again Christians.

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According to the Guardian, “The public’s fascination with ancestry has led to a boom in businesses specializing in DNA. The world’s consumer genetic testing market was worth \$70 million) in 2015, and is expected to rise to \$340 million) by 2022.”<sup>1</sup>

One DNA Company made this claim, “The power of DNA testing for human identification is indisputable—it’s the Gold Standard, and has been for over 25 years.”<sup>2</sup>

The Davidic bloodline is recorded for us in Matthew 1:1 -1:15 and Matthew summarizes for us forty-two generations from Abraham to Jesus Christ in verses 16-18 “And Jacob begat Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ. So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; and from David until the carrying away into Babylon are fourteen generations; and from the carrying

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<sup>1</sup> Mark Williams, “The lucrative rise of DNA testing: 'we created the market for what we do.'” The Gaurdian (May 25, 2017), <https://www.theguardian.com/small-business-network/2017/may/25/dna-testing-we-created-the-market-for-what-we-do-living-dna-dnafit-geneu> (accessed June 8, 2019).

<sup>2</sup> “How accurate is a home DNA paternity test?” Home Paternity, <https://homepaternity.com/accurate-home-dna-paternity-test/> (accessed June 8, 2019).

away into Babylon unto Christ are fourteen generations. Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.”

- If the Davidic bloodline did not lead to the Divinity of Christ than the Jewish people will never have a Messiah.
- If the Davidic bloodline did not lead to the Divinity of Christ than the unbelieving world does not need a Saviour, and is free to live without morality, ethics, or any higher purpose.
- If the Davidic bloodline did not lead to the Divinity of Christ than it would be alright for those to place their faith in the New Age Eastern religions.

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- If the Davidic bloodline did not lead to the divinity of Christ those in the Middle East would be alright to place their blind faith in a flawed leader and a barbaric religion of murder and debauchery.
- But, because the Davidic bloodline does lead to the Divinity of Jesus Christ, this is proof positive that Jesus is the promised Messiah that the Jewish people have been waiting for over six thousand years. The Jewish people must place their faith in Jesus Christ to be their Saviour and to save them from their sins.
- Because the Davidic bloodline leads to the Divinity of Jesus Christ than the unbelievers are without excuse, and must trust Jesus Christ to be their Saviour and to save them from their sins.
- Because the Davidic bloodline leads to the Divinity of Jesus Christ than the false gods of pantheism, reincarnation, New Age, and religious leaders that are

still in the tomb they must be entirely rejected and repudiated. They must trust Jesus Christ to be their Saviour and forgive them from their sins.

- Because the Davidic bloodline leads to the Divinity of Jesus Christ than the false teaching of the fallen, murderous, immoral leader of Islam must be fully and entirely rejected. Every former Muslim must place their trust in Jesus Christ to be their personal Saviour and be forgiven of their sins.

What are the apologetics found in Isaiah chapter eleven?

## **I. The apologetic of the Branch of Jesse.**

**A. Vss. 1-2** “And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots: And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;”

- 1.) Jesse was in the Davidic line of Christ.
- 2.) Jesse was the father of King David.
- 3.) No Jewish person could miss this fact.
- 4.) The Branch is Jesus Christ.
  - a.) **Zachariah 3:8** “Hear now, O Joshua the high priest, thou, and thy fellows that sit before thee: for they are men wondered at: for, behold, I will bring forth my servant the BRANCH.”
  - b.) **Zachariah 6:12** “And speak unto him, saying, Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, Behold the man whose name is The BRANCH; and he shall grow up out of his place, and he shall build the temple of the LORD:”

c.) **Matthew 15:2** “Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit.”

d.) **Matthew 15:4** “Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.”

1.) The BRANCH is a reference to the Messiah, the Lord Jesus Christ.

2.) The Old Testament prophet preached this directly to the Hebrew people.

3.) Jesus uses the term, branch differently, as He taught that His followers that they were a branch which are attached to the true Vine.

- 4.) In Matthew Jesus' audience was Jewish and agrarian, thus they perfectly understood His usage of the branches and the Vine.

## **II. The apologetic of the root of Jesse.**

A. **Vs. 10** “And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious.”

- 1.) The Root of Jesse was a sign to the Gentiles.
- 2.) The Root of Jesse was a promise to rescue His remnant, the Hebrews.



**B. Vs. 11** “And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea.”

- 1.) This passage is a salvation message to the Jews and the Gentiles.
- 2.) This passage is to the Day of the Lord, the day of judgement.

### **III. The apologetic of the remnant of Jesse.**

**A. Vs. 12** “And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.”

- 1.) The remnant of Jesse will be a proof of Christ return to Jews from around the world.
- 2.) The Jews will return to the land of Israel prior to Christ' return. This has been a continual process since Israel became a recognized State in 1948.

**B. Vs. 16** “And there shall be an highway for the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria; like as it was to Israel in the day that he came up out of the land of Egypt.”

- 1.) The first thought is that God has always made a way for His people.
- 2.) Certainly if God can make a highway for three million Hebrews through the middle of the Red Sea He can make a highway for His remnant anywhere.

- 3.) The character and patterns of God and how He has dealt with His people in the pass are proofs of how God will provide a way to heaven for those that call on His name.

**Conclusion:** During Isaiah's day there was a great need for an apologetic for the promised Messiah. Israel had many false prophets, thus there was a great need for confidence in a true prophet from the Lord. Certainly there was a great need for apologetics for the Messiah.

Israel had been in constant turmoil, literally for centuries. The way to look at Israel is as a microcosm of humanity, furthermore the Christian life. Israel had been attacked from every angle. The Hebrews had been taken in captivity, and had been persecuted. As a nation they were war weary and so they really wanted political redemption. What Israel really needed was spiritual redemption.

The forensics of the Davidic bloodline was and is a huge apologetic for the Hebrews to place their trust in the promised Messiah. Today it is a huge apologetic to every person to place their faith in Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour.

The Branch of Jesse is a great apologetic for the Jews and the Gentiles to trust in the promised Messiah in Isaiah's day. The root of Jesse was a powerful apologetic and is to Jewish and Gentile alike. Finally the examples in Scripture of God providing for His remnant is an apologetic that proves to be of greatest importance today.

## **Applications:**

1. Trust Jesus Christ today, if you have not done so. Tell someone that you have become a Christian today!
2. Download Knight's Notes on: Excellent Way.tv.
3. Read Isaiah chapter twelve before we get together again.
4. Study and discuss Isaiah chapter eleven with family and friends.
5. Share [www.ExcellentWay.tv](http://www.ExcellentWay.tv) on you social media.
6. Subscribe to our YouTube channel, Dr. Andrew Knight, and share the videos with everyone.

**Where we began:**

- We discussed the importance of apologetics.
- We looked at the Branch, the root, and the remnant of Jesse, and its apologetic applications.
- We discussed the significance of the Davidic bloodline.
- We reviewed generations that led up to the human birth of Christ.
- We discussed the apologetic of the Branch of Jesse.
- We talked about the apologetic of the root of Jesse.
- We concluded with the apologetic of the remnant of Jesse.

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**Next time:**

- Further background and the Apologetics of Isaiah chapter twelve.
- Apologetic applications offered.